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## NNJSDA Presidents' Message



We made it through a challenging winter. Lots of storms, snow, ice ... but getting out to dance was certainly a great treatment for cabin fever!



The NNJSDA thanked member club presidents by sponsoring a dinner for them on February 15. We appreciate that so many brave leaders faced yet another snowstorm to gather together. Although

the weather conspired to keep some away, those who met enjoyed good food, great company, and lively discussion.

There was a lot of positive buzz about the recent change in requirements for the One Square Is Fair and Raid programs, which increases opportunities for member clubs to reduce their dues (see page 38 for details.) We thank the special committee of volunteers from several clubs for the recommendations that were presented at the delegates meeting in January and implemented at that time. We look forward to the next round of discussion on the NNJSDA dance programs. Suggestions were made at the presidents dinner to consider Advanced specials in addition to the existing Mainstream and Plus.

A common lament is that some clubs have a hard time getting newspaper coverage, finding that submitted articles are chopped or not printed at all. Community notices are helpful, but are limited in length. In response to a suggestion, the NNJSDA is reviewing ways to provide paid advertising in regional newspapers (print and online versions) to help spread the word about square dancing and highlight multiple clubs.

The most spirited discussions revolved around the shrinking pool of dancers. Today, there are about 750 individual dancers in NNJSDA member clubs – fewer than a decade ago, but still an impressive number. Nearly any night, you can find a dance opportunity: regular dance, lessons, demo, trip, dinner-dance, Mainstream, Plus, Advanced, Challenge, rounds, or special program. Each of these is a facet in the jewel of square dancing. The beauty of this gemstone is tarnished by complaints of “competition” or “stealing dancers.”

Dancers are best served by variety. The sad truth is that all dancers have yet one more option: to stay home. Such apathy hurts us all – dancers don’t dance and then clubs struggle. We need to be open to dancing at our own club, at other clubs, and at special events, such as those sponsored for everyone by the NNJSDA. Let us support the square dance movement as a whole, not just our home clubs.

*Donna Poyer and Greg Kushla, NNJSDA Presidents*

### WEBSITE NEWS: [nnjsda.org](http://nnjsda.org)

**Grand Square:** Click on the *GS* link – you’ll find three new links for all “Tips for Your Tips” articles, biographical articles on people active in our Association, and commemorative articles. There are also links to information on submitting ads and articles as well as distribution procedures. Great news: You can search all issues to locate specific information!

**NNJSDA officers:** Curious about which dancers have served as NNJSDA officers since the Association was established in 1958? Click on “NNJSDA History” and select “NNJSDA Officers 1958-Present.”

**New website:** An entirely updated, user-friendly website is currently being developed by our Webmaster, Ken Robinson.

# NNJSDA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## May

- 3 **NNJSDA Dance** (7:30)  
 Bridgewater  
 Williamson/Williamson  
 MS/PL/RD

## June

- 1 Club Questionnaire Deadline  
 7 **NNJSDA Dance** (7:30)  
 Bridgewater  
 McGovern/Torti  
 MS/PL/RD  
 25-28 National Convention, Little Rock

## July

- 7 *Grand Square* Deadline  
 9 **NNJSDA Special** (7:30)  
 Caldwell  
 Coy/Coy – Live Band  
 All MS/Line Dancing  
 23 **NNJSDA Special** (7:30)  
 Caldwell  
 Koft/Pickett  
 All MS/RD

## August

- 2 **NNJSDA Dance** (7:30)  
 Bridgewater  
 Larsen/Torti  
 MS/PL/RD  
 13 **NNJSDA Special** (7:30)  
 Caldwell  
 Shipman/Gotta  
 All MS/RD

## September

- 6 **NNJSDA Dance** (7:30)  
 Bridgewater  
 Forbes/Pickett  
 MS/PL/RD  
 14 **Delegates Meeting** (1:00)  
 Bridgewater

## November

- 9 **Mini-Festival** (1:00-6:30)  
 Rockaway (tentative)  
 Marriner, Matthew, Larsen/  
 Denniston, McCabe  
 MS/PL/A/RD-C

**Bridgewater:** PeopleCare Center, 120 Finderne Ave. 08807

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

**Rockaway:** Morris Knolls High School, 50 Knoll Dr. 07866

### POSTER/FLYER CONTEST WINNER

Congratulations to Diane Coffman (Bee Sharps and Mountain Squares), who earned a dangle for the 2014 winning entry. Her poster will be distributed to NNJSDA member clubs to use in advertising upcoming classes/dances, and the design will also be used as the September 2014 *Grand Square* cover. Thank you to all dancers who submitted excellent designs, which may be used by the Association for various types of publicity (such as this issue's cover).



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For locations and more information: [gssdca.wix.com/gssdca](http://gssdca.wix.com/gssdca)

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Presents

# Mid-Summer Mania

## Mainstream Program

SUNDAY, July 27, 2014  
2:30-5:00 PM      \$4/Dancer

### PeopleCare Center

120 FINDERNE AVENUE, BRIDGEWATER, NJ 08807

#### Four Seasons Fundraising Dance – Saturday, May 31

Get ready for a great dance! **Thirteen callers** and **five cuers** are lined up to provide more than **six hours** of square and round dancing in **three halls**. Join us on Saturday, **May 31**, from 11:30 AM to 6:00 PM to raise funds to support our dancing friends who are planning the 64th National Square Dance Convention: June 24-27, 2015, in Springfield, Massachusetts.

The special Four Seasons Fundraising Dance will be held in Crestwood Village, Whiting (Manchester Township), New Jersey. There is plenty of parking near each hall:

*Independence Hall (Clubhouse IV) – Main Hall:* alternating Plus and Rounds (2x2) 11:30-4:30, request Rounds (phases IV-V-VI) 4:30-5:00, Mainstream as a grand close-out for all dancers during the final hour 5:00-6:00.

*Hilltop Hall (Clubhouse V):* Mainstream 11:30-4:45.

*Friendship Hall (Clubhouse I):* Advanced 11:30-1:30, alternating Advanced and Rounds (2x1) 1:30-4:45.

The dance will feature a Gift Basket Tricky Tray, where you can bid on specialty baskets such as Breakfast Time, Down the Shore, Night at the Movies, and many more – all donated by tri-state area clubs to increase the fun as well as the funds! Your club is invited to participate by emailing [fourseasons@nnjsda.org](mailto:fourseasons@nnjsda.org) to sign up or get more information. Oh, and don't forget the 50/50!

For registration and other information, see page 31 of this *Grand Square*, visit [nnjsda.org/four-seasons-dance](http://nnjsda.org/four-seasons-dance), or pick up a flyer at a dance. Maps, directions, and information on area restaurants and hotels are available on the website. We encourage you to get your ribbon soon.

## What Does Graduation Mean? (Part 2, continued from January 2014 issue)

(originally published in *American Square Dance* November 2012)

In the January 2014 issue, we examined the lack of knowledge of some new graduates and how all are graduated, no matter how little they may know. We also looked at how this results in experienced dancers' dropping out of the activity due to the frustration of having to pull dancers through after graduation, year after year, as well as the mindset of the club regarding new dancers. Now we will look at how new dancers think.

**CLASS MINDSET.** Dancers in class know deep inside that they must learn the calls. But sometimes they get too little reinforcement, because club members may convey the attitude: "Don't worry about mistakes – we'll pull you through." This tells the students that they don't have to think much about call definitions. If they remember how to do a call, fine; but if they don't, so what? Often, class members are not told to review what they have learned, because the club thinks this will feel like "work," which would then cause people to drop out of class.

There can also be a major component lacking in the minds of class members: **PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY.** I would be devastated to know that my lack of knowledge caused seven other dancers to break down. But this doesn't seem to bother some class members, who apparently do not care that their lack of knowledge is reducing the fun of other dancers. Perhaps they have simply never thought about this.

### SEVERAL THINGS CLUBS CAN DO TO IMPROVE THE SITUATION.

1. **Do not automatically graduate everyone.** Be willing to not graduate those who cannot meet minimum standards of proficiency. Recognize that graduating everyone, even if they are currently dancing poorly, hurts the club by causing longtime members to drift away out of frustration. It can also reduce the number of guests.

2. **Club officers and the class teacher must agree.** The possibility of not graduating everyone must be discussed with the teacher *before* the class begins, so that everyone is on the same page at graduation time. The minimum standards of proficiency must be agreed upon.

3. **Class members must be told at the beginning that some may not graduate.** Explain that there are minimum standards; that some people take longer than others to understand the calls; that graduating people who don't know the calls would hurt the club; and that they will be invited to take the class again. This eliminates the surprise factor. People who are asked to retake the class can be reminded of this discussion at the first lesson. Such a presentation at the start of class should be made by someone who has good people skills and a good command of words, so that all the new class members are in agreement, at the end of the discussion, that this is a good idea.

4. **Class members must be told to take responsibility.** Encourage them to review what they have previously learned prior to each lesson. Remind them that if they cause a breakdown, they are reducing the fun for everyone. If this is presented correctly with the right words, all the class members will see the wisdom in it.

**SUMMARY.** The practice of graduating everyone, regardless of ability – because "we need the students' money" or because "it is socially unacceptable not to graduate them" – just hurts everyone. It causes frustration in longtime dancers, who will simply drift away, and among class members who work hard to learn the calls, only to see the caller and club cater to those who have not put forth any effort.

The square dance activity needs to stop automatically graduating all who come in the door, whether or not they learn enough the first time around. This is hurting more than it helps.

*Ed Foote, Square Dance Caller*

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*Sign up early – housing is limited.*

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

### **Mary Ann Ryan-Erdek, *Grand Square* Editor (retired!)**

Mary Ann Ryan-Erdek was heavily into all things disco in the 1970s when a friend suggested square dancing clear out of the blue.

“I was essentially dragged kicking and screaming by a co-worker to a Rutgers Promenaders hi-lo event in 1978,” remembers the former editor of *Grand Square*. “At the time I was in a heavy disco phase and just did not see anyone in the state of New Jersey doing anything even slightly country in nature.”

Once ushered into the world of square dancing, however, Mary Ann became a dedicated dancer.

“One word – exercise!” she says. “While by no means am I a poster child for physical fitness, I do enjoy regular cardio workouts, and this is as good as it gets in terms of that.”

She adds, citing her Jersey roots, “I still enjoy disco to this day, though!”



In addition to dancing, Mary Ann enjoys walking, and frequently participates in walkathons for health-related causes.

Born and raised in the Union/Middlesex/Somerset county areas of the Garden State, Mary Ann has worked in office administration for most of her career. She recently began two part-time positions, one as a report specialist and the other as a descriptive analysis panelist.

“A fancy name for a taste tester,” she says.

Mary Ann has been married since 1979 to John, and they have one child, Theresa. All three dance Mainstream through Challenge. They are members of Rutgers Promenaders and have enjoyed family dance vacations at Cherry Ridge, Peel the Pumpkin, Independence Squares, National Conventions, and other locations.

In 2011, Mary Ann volunteered her services to the *Grand Square* team as a writer/assistant/proofreader, and was instead offered the position of editor. After three years at the helm, Mary Ann recently decided to return to a more behind-the-scenes role at the publication.

“My name will no longer be showing up on the masthead as the ‘head cheese,’” she says, “but I will continue on in support of this fine publication.”

*Robin Friedman, Kittatinny Rangers*

*[Editor’s note: Thank you, Mary Ann, for all your work on behalf of our magazine. The team is grateful for the opportunity to continue working with you!]*

#### **GRAND SQUARE BENEFIT DANCE**

**Saturday, April 18, 2015**

***Hold the date! Location, callers, cuers TBA.***

#### **TRAVELING? TAKE GRAND SQUARE.**

Extra copies of *Grand Square* are available for square dance travelers to distribute at events taking place within driving distance.

For extra copies, please contact Jim Van Rensalier (see page 2).





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### **Alaskan Square Dance Cruise**

August 3-10, 2014, with Scot and Erin Byars (CA) on Squares and Rounds

### **Camping Weekends**

**Memorial Weekend** (MS/PL/RD), May 23-26, Boothbay, ME,

with Carol Stewart-Arsenault on Rounds

**Plus Weekend**, June 27-29, Andover, VT, with Walt Wall on Rounds

**Twirlin Campers** (MS/PL/RD), August 22-24, Andover, VT,

with Connelly Clan on Rounds

### **Dance with Don in New Jersey**

August 20 – Belles & Beaux

September 10 – Cross Trail Squares



## **Letters to the Editor**

### **Response to Part 1 of Ed Foote's Article**

As new dancers, having graduated only a year ago, the article titled "What Does Graduation Mean?" [*Grand Square* 56.2, January 2014, page 10] caught our attention. After reading it, our first reaction was, "Oh my, are we those dancers Mr. Foote was referring to?" I don't believe so, but I do think the article may unnecessarily intimidate and turn away our new graduates.

He wrote, "My observation is that about three percent of those who try square dancing cannot make it." In other words, his article spoke to only three out of 100 students who "just can't make it." Does this warrant scaring all of our students and recent graduates, who already are apprehensive and wondering if they really belong?

Our first few dances were very intimidating. What would happen when (not if) we messed up? Would we be thrown out of the square? Would we be shunned for the rest of the dance? Would they take away our diploma or our half-price NNJSDA card? Well, it didn't take long for me to find out. When I heard what sounded like the call Swing, I grabbed my partner and started to spin her around, never quite hearing the Thru part of the call. The puzzled looks and chaos that ensued soon had us standing in lines, waiting to be picked up. To my surprise, there was no public shaming, no ridicule – only kindness, understanding, and "you're doing well" comments. Subsequent dances had similar outcomes. Those first dances were pivotal; had we experienced many negative reactions from other dancers, we would likely have left and not returned. Instead, encouragement from other dancers and the occasional push around the square gave us the confidence to continue. **continued next page**

## Letters to the Editor (continued from previous page)

As for the comments about new dancers who don't get it and experienced ones who no longer want to help, this has a way of working itself out. The lower-level dancers either retake the class, stick with friends they feel safe with, or drop out completely. Similarly, the ones who shun the newbies form closed squares and dance only with those they feel comfortable with.

I suppose we could make square dancing more structured and professional with a standard entrance exam to filter out all of those who learn at a slower pace. While we are at it, let's have a refresher exam to weed out all of those who can no longer keep up because of lack of sleep, injury, or failing health. But is that what we really want?

Eighteen months ago, I reluctantly took lessons to make my lovely bride happy. I am still going because we have fun together, get a bit of exercise, and have met some wonderful, friendly, welcoming people we enjoy spending time with. Maybe I am wrong, but I thought that is what square dancing is all about. ~Dave Whalen, Reelers

### Squaring Off Against Cancer

August 19, 2013, is a date we will always remember – when we heard the first dreaded “C” word. This one, “cancer,” came out of my doctor's mouth and flooded us. Then on September 5, two more terrible “C” words: chemotherapy and colostomy. Every day for the next six weeks, I would have oral chemo and radiation, followed by abdominal reconstructive surgery, and then eight months of intravenous chemotherapy.

On January 31, 2014, Tony saw me off to a nine-hour surgery that resulted in a permanent colostomy – and, more importantly, the chance to *live and beat cancer*. I was discharged on February 4, which happened to be my birthday, and what a fabulous present it was to go home. However, the cancer had spread to my lymph system; the Medi-Port implanted in my chest now allows for 48-hour chemotherapy infusions.

Then I ran into more complications. After a large blood clot put me into the hospital, an allergic reaction to the blood thinner exacerbated the problem. But we are now excited about a beautiful, different, and wonderful new “C” word: cure! My medical team is guardedly optimistic that I will beat this illness and live a happy, healthy life.



dancers who gave us an emotional boost by signing the squares. [See photo above – Ginny Platania and Tony Milito.]

Your support and friendship have made the journey easier than we imagined. We are so grateful to have met such a wonderful group of folks (some of whom have shared their own stories and journeys with us) that a simple “thank you” doesn't quite express how we feel. We appreciate all of you more than we can say, and look forward to squaring up with you again soon. ~Kathy Randall, Rutgers Promenaders

*[Editor's note: Prior to her diagnosis, Kathy and her husband, Tony Milito, served as 3rd vice presidents of the NNJSDA. You two have been an inspiration to countless people in the square dance community. Feel the Yellow Rocks enveloping you both!]*



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## YouTube Square Dancing



As we all know, square dancing is a sport you want to participate in, not watch. However, if you are interested in how others dance around the country, or around the world, YouTube is a great place to start. Some of my favorite YouTube offerings are described below.

I feel the best link for watching traditional squares is the Square Dance History channel at [youtube.com/user/SquareDanceHistory](https://youtube.com/user/SquareDanceHistory). This site has more than 200 videos featuring many traditional dances, usually with live musicians and some of the best callers and teachers versed in these historic dances. The ones called by Tony Parkes are particularly good. The harmonica player in one called by Larry Edelman (at about 2:10 into the video) is especially interesting: [youtube.com/watch?v=6wL2ucm2Wds](https://youtube.com/watch?v=6wL2ucm2Wds).

More traditional dancing compiled by caller Dan Freligh can be found at [youtube.com/user/RubberCrutches](https://youtube.com/user/RubberCrutches). These videos were taken at a pub in Saegertown, Pennsylvania, where a dance is held every Friday night after a potluck supper. For more explanation, visit [squaredancehistory.org/items/show/802](http://squaredancehistory.org/items/show/802).

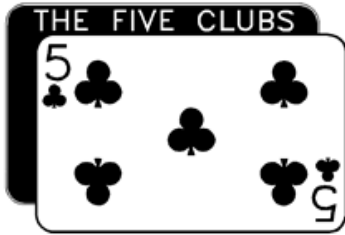
At the other end of the spectrum is the Challenge program, where the dancers may know thousands of calls and concepts. One video highlighting the C4 program is at [youtube.com/watch?v=V38pVxGHWwU](https://youtube.com/watch?v=V38pVxGHWwU). The interviews with dancers and callers, shown between the dancing, make the video even more interesting.

If you want to see how the Mainstream and Plus programs are danced around the country, visit [youtube.com/user/squaredancetomroper](https://youtube.com/user/squaredancetomroper). Caller Tom Roper turns on the camera at his dances as he travels around the country, thus providing a contemporary view of modern western club dancing. Tom has posted more than 500 videos.

Andy Abeles also has a series of videos at [youtube.com/user/bigbluff6](https://youtube.com/user/bigbluff6) that document his travels to different clubs. He interviews club officers and the callers before showing some of the dancing. Note: Most of Andy's videos are square dance, but not all – so you will have to pick those out from the rest.

There are lots more square dance videos, and you may have favorites of your own. Why not send the links you enjoy to the *Grand Square* editor for inclusion in a “Best of YouTube” feature in upcoming issues?  
*Gardner Patton*

<b>Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association</b>	
<b>Caller: MS &amp; Plus</b>	<b>Matt McGovern (MA)</b>
<b>Round Dance Cuer</b>	<b>Lou Torti (NJ)</b>
<b>Date/Time</b>	<b>Saturday, June 7, 2014</b> <b>7:30-8:00 MS</b> <b>8:00-10:00 MS/PL/RD</b> <b>10:00-10:30 Rounds</b>
<b>Location</b>	<b>PeopleCare Center, 120 Finderne Ave.</b> <b>Bridgewater, NJ 08807</b>
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## **2014 SUMMER DANCES**

**2nd & 4th Saturdays**

**LOCATION:** Chisholm Community Center  
100 South Springfield Avenue at Shunpike Road  
Springfield, NJ 07081

Centrally Located Hall   Air Conditioned   Wooden Floor

### **Dance Program**

**7:30-8:00 PM: Early Rounds**

**8:00-10:30 PM: Alternating MS/PL/RD**

<b><i>Date</i></b>	<b><i>Caller</i></b>	<b><i>Cuer</i></b>
6/14/2014	Glenn Matthew	Ron Rumble
6/28/2014	Howard Richman	Steve Bradt
7/12/2014	Paul Ingis	Steve Bradt
7/26/2014	Howard Williamson	Donna Williamson
8/09/2014	Joe Landi	Karen Kushla
8/23/2014	Mark Franks	Mary Pickett

***\$6/Dancer, \$12/Couple, Exact \$ much appreciated!***

***Soft-soled shoes***

***Neat casual attire***

**Contacts: Bob and Mary Nilan 732-574-3427**

## Franzl, the Globe-Trotting Bear



Since January, clubs in our area have received occasional visits from a VIP world voyager: Franzl Lenbach, the traveling square dance bear.

Franzl has an interesting history. He was “born” in 2010 and became a “member” of the Lenbach Swingers Square Dance Club in Schrobenhausen, Germany. He travels to dances with various temporary guardians.

Franzl has traveled throughout Europe, into Canada (receiving his own seat and boarding pass for the flight), and recently throughout the northeast United States. In his backpack, he keeps a diary/scrap-book in which he collects the signatures of dancers. He also collects photos, club dangles, and badges wherever he visits. In the photo with us (above), he’s showing off his collection.

We first met Franzl at the Harvest Moon Classic and found out that he (like us) would be going to the Winter Wonder Weekend in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Kathy offered to be his next guardian. Her goal was to use him as a further incentive to get well from her forthcoming surgery in time to take him to his next stop – the WASCA festival at the end of March in the Washington, DC, area.

When Kathy was unable to attend dances, Franzl enjoyed traveling with Phyllis and Larry Bugal. He attended the NNJSDA Midterm Student Dance and visited enough clubs to earn an NNJSDA Patron dangle: AleMo Squares, Bee Sharps, Cross Trail Squares, FAD, Hunterdon Flutterwheels, Kittatinny Rangers, Lakeland Squares, Middletown Ramblers, Reelers, Rutgers Promenaders, Western Wheelers/Hix & Chix (where he partnered with Betsy Gotta to try his paw at round dancing), and Y Squares.

Unfortunately, Kathy was not well enough to travel with Franzl to WASCA and see him off to more adventures with new guardians. But he was a great inspiration to her nonetheless, and we wish him well in his further travels. Franzl intends to make his way gradually back to Germany in time to celebrate his own club’s 20th anniversary dance in November 2017. You can keep up with his adventures via his Facebook page ([facebook.com/FranzlLenbach](https://facebook.com/FranzlLenbach)).

*Kathy Randall and Tony Milito, Rutgers Promenaders*

<b>Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association</b>	
<b>Caller: ALL MS</b>	<b>Don Coy (NY) with LIVE BAND</b>
<b>Line Dancing</b>	<b>Dot Coy (NY)</b>
<b>Date/Time</b>	<b>Wednesday, July 9, 2014 7:30-10:30 MS/Line Dancing</b>
<b>Location</b>	<b>St. Aloysius Church 219 Bloomfield Ave., Caldwell, NJ 07006</b>
<b>Inquiries</b>	<b>Nancy Ammons: 908-566-7580 Cell for Dance: 908-619-2296</b>

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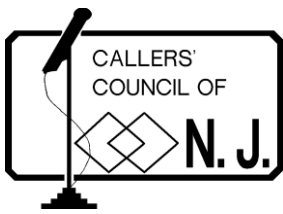
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## CCNJ President's Message

*Note: For a roster of the Callers' Council of New Jersey, including contact information, visit [ccnjcallers.com](http://ccnjcallers.com).*

We survived the near-record winter, but not without losing a lot of dances due to the weather. With spring here, we can once again enjoy good times and great dancing.

Congratulations to all the new dancers who are joining our activity. You have invested time and effort to learn something different – and that is just the start. There are multiple opportunities to develop your new talent: club dances (locally, across the country, and around the world); special dances; Association dances; conventions; and more. Talk to your angels and club members, and dance as often as you can.

Angels: Your job isn't done with "graduation"; you need to integrate the new dancers into the activity. Include them in club activities, dances, raids, and extras. Don't let them go until the fall. Keep them (and yourselves) active throughout the summer.

All dancers: Now is the time to "market" square dancing to non-dancers – not recruiting or selling, just promoting a positive image. Mention (in passing) that you are a dancer. Look for opportunities to do exhibitions and demos. Suggest to groups that they have a "party/hoedown" for their members, and contact the Callers' Council of New Jersey to arrange for a caller. Once people have a positive impression, they are more likely to join us in the future.

Smile and be happy! Show others why "Fun and Friendship" is a square dance motto. Happy dancing.

**Ad on page 5** Ron Kapnick, President ([kapnickrr@juno.com](mailto:kapnickrr@juno.com)) 973-857-8879

*[Editor's note: Ron and Ruth expect to move to North Carolina later this year. They will be sorely missed!]*

### LET'S HELP OUR NEW DANCERS

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

### SPREAD THE WORD!

Available from the NNJSDA treasurer's table:

← Pin (free) – wear it and expect questions.

→ Tote bag (\$5) – large, sturdy, same slogan: "Ask Me about Square Dancing!"





Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association	
Caller: ALL MS	<b>Dan Koft (NJ)</b>
Round Dance Cuer	<b>Mary Pickett (NJ)</b>
Date/Time	Wednesday, July 23, 2014 7:30-8:00 Early Rounds 8:00-10:30 MS/Rounds
Location	St. Aloysius Church 219 Bloomfield Ave., Caldwell, NJ 07006
Inquiries	Nancy Ammons: 908-566-7580 Cell for Dance: 908-619-2296

**WE LOVE FREELoadERS**

When you attend at least three of the NNJSDA summer dances and the Mini-Festival in the same year, you are eligible for the Freeloader award. Have the form signed by the treasurer or assistant treasurer at the dances. Upon obtaining the final signature at the Mini-Festival, you will receive a dangle and free dance coupon to use at a future NNJSDA dance. Forms are available through your delegate, at NNJSDA dances, and on the website ([nnjsda.org](http://nnjsda.org) – click on “Documents”).

**M R Square Dance Club**



*Saturdays in Central New Jersey*

May 3	Cinco de Mayo	Dan and Kathy Koft	St. Luke's
May 17		Dan and Kathy Koft	St. Luke's
<del>May 31</del>	<i>Canceled to support Four Seasons Benefit Dance</i>	<del>Dan and Kathy Koft</del>	<del>St. Luke's</del>
June 7	1950s and 1960s	Betsy and Roy Gotta	Manors
July 26		Dan and Kathy Koft	Manors
Aug. 9		Dan and Kathy Koft	Manors
Sept. 20	Back to School	Dan and Kathy Koft	St. Luke's

**Pre-Rounds:** 7:30 PM  
**2x2 Alternating Plus and Mainstream Tips:** 8:00 to 10:30 PM

**Locations:** Saint Luke's Episcopal Church  
1620 Prospect Street, Ewing, NJ 08638  
  
Manors at Lawrenceville Condo Association Clubhouse  
26 Fairway Court, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

**Information:** Rich Delgado 609-844-1140  
[richd1squarerounddancer@msn.com](mailto:richd1squarerounddancer@msn.com)

## Tips for Your Tips

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

#### **Intro to DBD (Dance by Definition, or Don't Be Deterred)**

For those who began square dancing without learning the definitions of the calls, just hearing "DBD" is enough to make them shake their heads. Choreography that puts you in different positions does not have to be nerve-wracking.

Although it is called Dance by Definition, there is more to DBD than memorizing the definitions.

1. Adjust your mindset. You CAN do this! Breathe. Stay calm so you can think clearly and react smoothly.
2. Listen carefully. Square dancing is Simon Sez put to music. Don't assume! In addition to the name of the specific call, pay close attention to key words such as boys/girls, right/left, centers/ends, heads/sides, and split/all 8. You need to know when the caller is speaking to you.
3. Don't anticipate the next call; wait to hear what the caller says next. Don't expect a certain combination of calls just because that is what the caller "usually" calls. Dancing to a variety of callers broadens your horizons and exposes you to different choreographic combinations. Even the most experienced dancers can learn something new.
4. Be open to the new and different. Don't always try to make things "normal." While executing a call, your facing direction or the sequence of your actions may be unfamiliar. However, don't assume you or another dancer is wrong just because things are not standard.
5. Don't expect a certain ending position. A different starting position or facing direction will alter where you'll be at the end of a call. Don't "fix" your final position – it may not be broken.
6. Trust your caller. The caller is the captain and your square is the ship; trust him or her to navigate you through sometimes bumpy waters.

In short, do not dance by "feel," which may lead you astray; definitions never will. I will share more tips on approaching DBD in future articles. In the meantime, you may refer to some of my previous *Grand Square* articles,\* especially "Calls and Their Definitions: Our Square Dance Language," "Who Am I? Identifying Your Place in Your Square," and "Walls Are Our Friends." Happy dancing! *Jan Thompson*  
(I would like to thank caller Betsy Gotta for conferring with me on this article. Betsy conducts Plus DBD workshops during the year.)

*[\*Editor's note: All Tips for Your Tips articles can be viewed on the NNJSDA website by visiting [nnjsda.org/grand\\_square](http://nnjsda.org/grand_square), clicking on Tips for Your Tips, and selecting an article by title.]*

#### **SQUARE DANCE CALLS**

##### **Useful Websites for Definitions, Animations, and Videos/DVDs**

[callerlab.org](http://callerlab.org) (click on Dance Programs)

[ceder.net/def.php4](http://ceder.net/def.php4)

[tamtwirlers.org/tamination/info/index.html](http://tamtwirlers.org/tamination/info/index.html)

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

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

[gottadance.eboard.com](http://gottadance.eboard.com) (videos and DVDs for purchase)

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

Many years ago, Jim and I were attending a summer square dance in Rapid City, South Dakota. We were in a long, low building with about a dozen squares when a bat flew through one of the open doors into the hall. The sound system must have interfered with his sonar, because he was flying around near the ceiling, bumping into the rafters and bouncing up and down. All the dancers kept right on dancing – no one missed a step. When the tip ended, the bat finally managed to fly out one of the doors. No one acted like anything strange had happened. ~Su White



Who says square dancing is just for landlubbers? There's square dancing aboard cruise ships, too! Indeed, it gives a whole new meaning to "Load the Boat." Several NNJSDA dancing friends recently went on a western Caribbean cruise aboard the Norwegian Dawn.

There were more than 100 square dancers, including NNJSDA's Carol and Anthony Casale, Barbara and Norman Kanter, Debbie and Jose Obarrio, and Iris and Harvey Schachter. [The Casales and Obarrios are pictured above in Roatan.] It was a lovely reprieve from the New Jersey snowstorms, with great food (and *lots* of it), interesting ports of call (Roatan, Belize, Costa Maya, and Cozumel), and, of course, daily square dancing with some wonderful people. We danced only a few hours a day, but it was really nice meeting fellow square dancers from around the country. The coordinator did a great job, as did the callers: Tony Oxendine, Jack Pladdys, and John Saunders. We enjoyed dinner together as a group in the dining room every evening, and I had great fun playing trivia. (I even won a pen and T-shirt when I was on "Team Norman.") We also got some information on Tennessee's upcoming 40th convention in Gatlinburg this summer (July 31 through August 2). It's expected to be one of their best conventions ever and sounds like a lot of fun, so we are planning to go.

~Carol Casale

Send your memorable dance moments to [editor@nnjsda.org](mailto:editor@nnjsda.org).

### **GRAND SQUARE DISTRIBUTION PROCEDURE**

1. On the annual club questionnaire, each club provides NNJSDA with the number of copies required for each issue (September, January, May). Update the number of copies required, as needed.
2. Jim Van Rensalier, our distributor, packages the issue for each club. He is generally at his vehicle in the parking lot, weather permitting.
3. NNJSDA delegates ensure that a club member picks up and signs for the package at the designated NNJSDA event, or delegates may make other pick-up arrangements.
4. The magazine is time-sensitive! If your club is not dancing within the next week or two, consider distributing it at another event your members attend.
5. Remember: Every issue is online (in color) at [NNJSDA.org/grand\\_square](http://NNJSDA.org/grand_square).

# TUMBLING LEAVES

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**Nov-May: 5134 Latham Ter  
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941-828-0481**

**Jun-Oct: PO Box 1197  
Rangeley, ME 04970  
Cell: 941-223-0987**

**Email: [redbates@juno.com](mailto:redbates@juno.com)**

**DANCE START TIME:**

**FRI: 7:30 PM/SAT 9:30 AM**

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<b>Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association</b>	
<b>Caller: MS &amp; PL</b>	<b>Will Larsen (CT)</b>
<b>Round Dance Cuer</b>	<b>Lou Torti (PA)</b>
<b>Date/Time</b>	<b>Saturday, August 2, 2014</b> <b>7:30-8:00 MS</b> <b>8:00-10:00 MS/PL/RD</b> <b>10:00-10:30 Rounds</b>
<b>Location</b>	<b>PeopleCare Center, 120 Finderne Ave.</b> <b>Bridgewater, NJ 08807</b>
<b>Inquiries</b>	<b>Nancy Ammons: 908-566-7580</b> <b>Cell for Dance: 908-619-2296</b>

### **PERSONAL: DANCERS SEEKING HALLS**

*Must be well built, clean, in good condition, and roomy enough for 10 squares. Comfortable square size is 12' x 12', but will consider 10' x 10'. Prefer well-lit, easily accessible locations with sufficient parking. Must have bathroom privileges. Ideal halls have access to kitchen, but sink for water will do. Halls with pillars or columns need not reply. Must be available nights and/or weekends for a reasonable fee. Contact NNJSDA president or 1st vice president for introduction and first date.*

Yes, this is a tongue-in-cheek request for possible dance locations! We'd love to be able to accommodate dancers' requests to hold NNJSDA events throughout the region, and can only do so with your help. Is there a hidden gem in your neighborhood – church, civic organization, school, etc. – that might be a great dance location? Let us know and we'll check it out. Please email [firstvp@nnjsda.org](mailto:firstvp@nnjsda.org).

### **Thank You, NNJSDA Host Clubs!**

Full list: [NNJSDA.org](http://NNJSDA.org) (Documents)

Sat., May 3 – Bridgewater	Mountain Squares, WW/Hix & Chix
Sat., June 7 – Bridgewater	Reelers, RocklandRockytops
Wed., July 9 – Caldwell	Bee Sharps, Y Squares
Wed., July 23 – Caldwell	Cross Trail Squares, Kittatinny Rangers
Sat., August 2 – Bridgewater	AleMo, Middletown Ramblers
Wed., August 13 – Caldwell	Bee Sharps, Belles & Beaux
Sat., September 6 – Bridgewater	Hunterdon Flutterwheels, Reelers

# APPALACHIAN CALLERS SCHOOL

## School Information



### **Betsy Gotta**

New Jersey  
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#### **Tuition:**

\$350 – No charge for accompanying partner; food and lodging not included (see below)



### **Tom Miller**

Pennsylvania  
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Accredited  
Caller-Coach

#### **Dates:**

Starts Sunday, Nov. 9, at 2:00 PM  
Ends Thursday, Nov. 13, at noon

#### **Location:**

Cacapon Resort  
818 Cacapon Lodge Drive  
Berkeley Springs, WV 25411



### **Ken Ritucci**

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*732-249-2086*

[alemo.nnjstda.org](http://alemo.nnjstda.org)

**Various Wed. Sept.-June**

**Sts. Simon & Jude Lower Church**

Kathy Colucci: 718-375-1788

**Avenue T between Lake & Van Sicklen Sts. 11223**

Cell for dance: 917-699-2093

The new year started with Howard Richman calling our workshops, as Don Coy was away on vacation. We held three workshops in January; of course, with the very cold weather, we did not have the usual attendance. Our dance scheduled for January 22 was canceled. The weather still played havoc with our February workshops and we had to cancel two more, but were able to hold our annual Mardi Gras Dance on February 26. Howard Richman did a great job of calling the dance, and the three-plus squares that attended had a wonderful time.

Our new square dance year started with 10 new students. Eight have returned, along with a few Times Squares students who faithfully attend our weekly workshops. Our graduation will be on June 11, and we look forward to dancing with these enthusiastic students for many years to come.

On March 5, we held a dance on Staten Island for the second time. Although it was not as well attended as last year's Graduation Dance, we had a nice showing. There were representatives from Circle Eights, Kittatinny Rangers, Rutgers Promenaders, and Y Squares, as well as our own members from Brooklyn and Staten Island. Don Coy called the dance with alternating Mainstream and Plus, and Barbara Kanter called student tips during the breaks. We even had some line dancing led by Dot Coy. We thank all who attended.

We are grateful to Barbara Kanter for her efforts in maintaining a square dance presence on Staten Island, and especially for securing our dance location. We are planning to do it again next year, and we hope it will be another successful event.

On May 21, we will hold our annual dinner-dance to celebrate the 36th anniversary of the founding of our club. Our dinner-dances are usually the highlight of our season, and we look forward to another wonderful evening with friends and family.

**Ad on page 25**

Kathy Colucci ([alemodancer@yahoo.com](mailto:alemodancer@yahoo.com))

718-375-1788

<b>Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association</b>	
<b>Caller: ALL MS</b>	<b>Larry Shipman (NY)</b>
<b>Round Dance Cuer</b>	<b>Roy Gotta (NJ)</b>
<b>Date/Time</b>	<b>Wednesday, August 13, 2014</b> <b>7:30-8:00 Early Rounds</b> <b>8:00-10:30 MS/Rounds</b>
<b>Location</b>	<b>St. Aloysius Church</b> <b>219 Bloomfield Ave., Caldwell, NJ 07006</b>
<b>Inquiries</b>	<b>Nancy Ammons: 908-566-7580</b> <b>Cell for Dance: 908-619-2296</b>

**PUBLICITY TIP**

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



# AleMo Squares

Sts. Simon and Jude Lower Church  
 Avenue T between Lake and Van Sicklen Streets, Brooklyn, NY 11223

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

May 21	Don Coy	Dinner-Dance*
June 11	Don Coy	Graduation/End-of-Term Party
September 17	Don Coy	Welcome Back Dance

\*Dinner-Dance at Sirico's, 8015-23 13th Ave. (at 81st St.), Brooklyn, NY 11228

Kathy: 917-699-2093 Norma: 718-852-0318 [alemodancer@yahoo.com](mailto:alemodancer@yahoo.com)

Cell phone night of dance: 917-699-2093

Admission \$7 per person

THE CARING AND SHARING CLUB

Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association	
Caller: MS & PL	Virgil Forbes (MD)
Round Dance Cuer	Mary Pickett (NJ)
Date/Time	Saturday, September 6, 2014 7:30-8:00 All MS 8:00-10:00 MS/PL/RD 10:00-10:30 Rounds
Location	PeopleCare Center, 120 Finderne Ave. Bridgewater, NJ 08807
Inquiries	Nancy Ammons: 908-566-7580 Cell for Dance: 908-619-2296

## SECRET FOR NEW DANCERS

Welcome to the big and beautiful world of square dancing! As you venture from your home club to dance at other club and Association events, here's a secret for good dancing: *Try to get into squares with experienced dancers* rather than with your classmates and other recent graduates. The veterans will help you (gently) when needed, speeding you on the way to proficiency.

[beesharps.org](http://beesharps.org)**PL/RD-A tip****2 & 4 Fri. Sept.-Mid-April****MS/PL/RD-A tip****2 & 4 Fri. Late April-May**

Curtis Kraut: 908-725-7411

**Bound Brook United Methodist Church**

Cell for dance: 908-500-0447

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

In spite of the inordinate amount of wintry weather this year, Bee Sharps hosted a number of raids and enjoyed many evenings of square and round dancing to callers and cuers who made the evenings exceptionally fun. Thanks to our members and guests who braved the cold to join us.

This spring, we've hosted a Mainstream class, taught by Gardner Patton and coordinated by Mary Ellen Freese and Anne Mellen. Thank you to all the angels, assistant treasurers Phyllis Perlowitz and Alma Moore, our regular Monday night dance crew, and the Bee Sharps officers who have introduced our newest friends to the wonderful world of square dancing!

During the summer, we look forward to joining our Mainstream graduates as they gain "floor time" at many events, including Five Clubs dances in Springfield, on the second and fourth Saturdays, starting June 14. Please see the Five Clubs ad in this issue (page 13) for more details.

In the fall, Bee Sharps will celebrate our 40th anniversary on Sunday afternoon, October 19. Please save the date and watch for flyers and details in the next issue of *Grand Square*.

Bee Sharps dances are centrally located, just a few miles from Routes 287 and 22, with a great wooden dance floor. Why not organize a raid to our club, or visit us on your own for an evening of dancing Plus squares and rounds. See our ad, or visit [beesharps.org](http://beesharps.org) for details.

**Ad on page 27**Diane Coffman ([dmc\\_cma@verizon.net](mailto:dmc_cma@verizon.net))

908-500-0447

**GIVE A DANCE COUPON AS A GIFT OR AWARD**

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

You can use dance coupons to thank your hard-working officers, as door prizes at your dances, as gifts to fellow dancers, or as special incentives to recruiters – the possibilities are endless! See the treasurer at any NNJSDA event to purchase the coupons.

**KEEP INFORMED – SUBSCRIBE TO EMAIL INFO-LIST**

New (and experienced) dancers: To find out about special events and changes to club and Association dances, sign up for the NNJSDA email information list. Send an email to [squaredance\\_info-subscribe@nnjsda.org](mailto:squaredance_info-subscribe@nnjsda.org). The webmaster will send you an invitation to join. A response to the invitation is necessary in order to become a subscriber. You'll be glad you did!

# BEE SHARPS OF SOMERVILLE



- Early Rounds start 7:30 PM
- Square Dancing and Rounds 8:00-10:30 PM\*  
\*10:15 PM – A2 tip if sufficient dancers are present
- See schedule below for dance format

Sunday, October 19, 2014

## Our 40th Anniversary Dance

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**Learn PLUS – Lessons starting in September**

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

**Questions?** See our website: [beesharps.org](http://beesharps.org) or call Curtis: 908-725-7411

### DANCE SCHEDULE 2014

Date	Caller	Cuer	Format	Dance Theme
May 9	Glenn Matthew	Mary Pickett	MS/PL/RD	Sounds of the '60s
May 23	Dan Tapper	Steve Bradt	MS/PL/RD	America the Beautiful (Ice Cream Social)
Summer Break – Join us for dances at "Five Clubs" in Springfield, NJ				
Sept. 12	Howard Richman	Ron Rumble	PL/RD	Football Heroes
Sept. 26	Glenn Matthew	Steve Bradt	PL/RD	TBD
Oct. 10	Nick Martellacci	Mary Pickett	PL/RD	TBD
<b>Sunday Oct. 19</b>	<b>Tim Marriner</b>	<b>Mary Pickett</b>	<b>MS/PL/RD A2 After Tips</b>	<b>40th Anniversary Special Dance Celebration!</b>

**Dance** Bound Brook United Methodist Church – "Asbury Hall"

**Location:** 150 W. Union Ave. (Rt. 28), Bound Brook, NJ 08805

**Contacts:** Curtis: 908-725-7411 Diane: 908-500-0447 (cell # night of dance)

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

**From Rt. 22  
East & 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) \*\***

*At submitter's request, final ad copy has not been proofread by the editors.*

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

**1 & 3 Wed. All Year**

**VFW, 6 Veterans Pl. 07407**

Arlene Remington: 201-444-9071

Cell for dance: 201-264-7698

The first signs of spring brought smiles and joy to us all. At Belles & Beaux, spring has brought another great season of fun times and mysteries shared with our square dancers and non-dancing friends. We welcomed the return of Linda Millian and her Murder Mystery production of “Just Desserts,” accompanied by Howard Richman and featuring the talent of several of our members. A little ad-libbing certainly contributed to the laughter heard in the hall. Thank you to Linda and to all the shining stars for sharing your talents and for your hard work, making this production a memorable evening for everyone.

The month of May makes us think of graduations and great weather for day trips. Belles & Beaux welcomes its first all-women graduating class, adding to its already large female membership. We hope they, too, catch “square dance fever.” As the demand for ambidancetrous dancers increases, Fran Wadel and Belles & Beaux will continue encouraging dancers to learn both the male and female roles.

May also brings a day of mystery for Belles & Beaux members and guests, including non-dancers. Maryjane Clewell, Arlene Remington, and Dottie Surdez have planned the annual Mystery Bus Raid, scheduled for May 17. Please see our ad on page 15 of the previous issue (January 2014).

Belles & Beaux celebrates its 35th anniversary on Saturday, September 20. Perhaps some of you remember the fun when the Association held a “cardinal dance” (all singing calls) many years back. Richard and Rusty Ball have fond memories of that dance and recommended we do it for our anniversary dance – and Vicky Proskey and Maryjane Clewell have taken on the challenge. Matt McGovern and Wayne Applegate will be calling Mainstream and Plus; please see our ad on page 15.

All are always welcome at Belles & Beaux!

**Ads on pages 15, 29**

Vicky Proskey ([vpsunshine@gmail.com](mailto:vpsunshine@gmail.com)) 201-337-7321

**ROCK – N – LITTLE ROCK  
NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION  
JUNE 25-28, 2014**



This year’s National Square Dance Convention will take place in Little Rock, Arkansas, a beautiful location offering lots of opportunities for sightseeing and travel before or after. Examples:

Lakes, beautiful scenery, Arkansas River, Clinton Presidential Library, unique restaurants, golf, hiking, fishing, museums, art galleries, shopping, River Rail Streetcar (replica Birney trolleys like those used in the 1940s), Historic Arkansas Museum (a real village from the 1800s), and many organized tours, including Memphis/Graceland and Branson.

Everyone from New Jersey is invited to march in the Parade of States during the convention. Here’s information on putting together a New Jersey state outfit: [www.nnjsda.org/state\\_outfit](http://www.nnjsda.org/state_outfit).

Talk to your dancing friends, and travel as a group! To register, visit [www.63nsdc.com](http://www.63nsdc.com).

Elmwood Park VFW  
6 Veterans Place  
Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

Same Place All Year  
Air Conditioned Hall

1 & 3 Wednesday  
7:30-9:30 PM  
Mainstream-Plus tip

## BELLES & BEAUX 2014

5-07	Fran Wadel	Graduation Dance – Students Welcome
5-21	Rick Gittelman	Hodgepodge <i>Dangle</i> Dance
6-04	Paul Ingis	Ice Cream Social
6-18	Joe Landi	International Picnic Day
7-02	Bill Mager	Three Cheers for the Red, White, and Blue
7-16	Mark Franks	Christmas in July
8-06	Dan Koft	Flashlight <i>Dangle</i> Dance
8-20	Don Bachelder	Hot Fun in the Summertime
8-27	Fran Wadel	Beginner Square Dance
9-03	Wayne Applegate	An Apple a Day
9-17	Gerry and Chuck Hardy	Anchors Aweigh, My Boy, Anchors Aweigh

**\*\*May 17, Mystery Bus Raid Trip – Sept. 20, 35th Anniversary Dance\*\***

Arlene Remington: 201-444-9071 (H) 201-264-7698 (cell night of dance)  
[sqrdance.org/BellesBeaux/](http://sqrdance.org/BellesBeaux/) [squaredancing123@gmail.com](mailto:squaredancing123@gmail.com)



### Join the Century Club!

Purchase a Century Club pin each time you turn in a book of 100 signatures from different callers. Recognized worldwide.

**Books are available for \$4 at NNJSDA dances.**

**Hints:** Since many signatures are hard to read, we suggest:

1. Print the caller's name at the bottom of each page.
2. Make sure the date is on the page.
3. To avoid duplicates, use a small address book to track which callers you've danced to on what date, and attach it to the Century Club book with a rubber band. (This is also a great way to chronicle your dancing!)

### Square Wear

Some folks feel they must be dressed  
As if they're in the Old West.  
But in this day and age,  
The truest style gauge  
Is wearing what for you feels best.

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## NNJSDA Liability Insurance

### What is it?

“Insurance coverage to protect against claims alleging that one’s negligence or inappropriate action resulted in bodily injury or property damage” ([investorwords.com/2793/liability\\_insurance.html](http://investorwords.com/2793/liability_insurance.html)).

That short phrase covers a lot of territory. The “one” can refer to an individual, a company manufacturing a product, or any organization. Another important set of words is “negligence or inappropriate action,” which means failure to correct a known problem that could cause bodily injury or property damage, or causing a problem by acting inappropriately.

In all of this, realize that a claim needs to be made alleging that one is at fault, and often the outcome requires adjudication in a court of law.

### What does it cover?

The NNJSDA business liability insurance is similar to homeowner’s insurance in that it protects the policyholder from liability for injury or damage suffered by others on the policyholder’s property.

Our policy provides third-party liability coverage. This means that the officers and members of NNJSDA clubs that participate in our insurance program are protected against lawsuits that may result from losses suffered as a result of club activities (for example: personal injury, medical expense, fire damage, or theft) by persons who are not members of NNJSDA clubs. This could include losses by visitors from clubs outside the Association, non-paying club guests, or facility custodial staff, and/or damage to facility property.

Please note that members of Association clubs cannot be reimbursed for losses, under the assumption that they will not sue themselves. If a member of an NNJSDA club suffers a serious loss at any Association or member club event, that person has no recourse (under the NNJSDA policy) to legal action against the Association or the club. Again, this is analogous to homeowner’s insurance, which protects you against possible claims made *by a visitor* on your property.

Regular dances, open houses, classes, bus trips, and other Association or club events are covered – providing the organization has requested and received an insurance certificate for the specific location.

### Why does NNJSDA have this kind of insurance?

The principal reason we have this insurance is that most facilities that rent their space to NNJSDA clubs (such as churches, schools, or civic halls) require evidence of third-party liability insurance before allowing use of their premises. Without this policy, most clubs would be unable to find a place to dance. Furthermore, the cost of providing such insurance would be beyond the means of most clubs’ budgets. Through a group policy available to all member clubs in the Association, such liability insurance is much more affordable.

Remember: You will need a separate certificate as requested by each location at which your club is holding an event. Contact me at [insurance@nnjsda.org](mailto:insurance@nnjsda.org) if you require additional certificates.

*Mike Szekula, NNJSDA Insurance Coordinator*

### **2015 NATIONAL CONVENTION IN NEW ENGLAND**

The 64th National Convention will be held June 24-27, 2015, in Springfield, Massachusetts, within easy driving distance. Register online at [64nsdc.com](http://64nsdc.com), or register at the Four Seasons dance on May 31 (see page 31).

Calling all NJ, NY, and PA Square Dancers ...



# Four Seasons Fundraising Dance



Benefit Dance for the 64th National  
Square Dance Convention Planning Committee



2015 National Square Dance Convention – Springfield, MA – June 24-27, 2015

## SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2014

### 11:30 AM to 6:00 PM

Location: Crestwood Village Clubhouses I, IV, and V  
Whiting (Manchester), NJ 08759 [addresses and other info on page 5]

1 hour from Philadelphia      **\*\*\* 6+ HOURS of dancing \*\*\***      1 hour from New Brunswick  
**\*\*\* Gift Basket Tricky Tray \*\*\* 50/50 \*\*\***

**3 Halls – Programs include Mainstream, Plus, Advanced, Rounds**

**13 CALLERS and 5 CUERS FOR YOUR DANCING PLEASURE**

**Callers:** Joe Bradshaw, Don Coy, Mark Franks, Clay Goss, Betsy Gotta, Bill Harrison, Dan Koft, Joe Landi, John Marshall, Ginny Reaske, Howard Richman, Larry Shipman, Jim Snyder

**Cuers:** Russ Booz, Roy Gotta, Kathy Koft, Karen Kushla, Mary Pickett

**Info:** Donna Poyer 908-852-9285, cell for dance 908-619-2296 or 908-319-9412  
**email:** [fourseasons@nnjsda.org](mailto:fourseasons@nnjsda.org), **website:** [nnjsda.org/four-seasons-dance](http://nnjsda.org/four-seasons-dance)

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

**Tri-State Lead Sponsor: Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association**

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**Please make a copy of this page for your records.      Check payable to: Four Seasons Dance**  
**Mail to:** Georgi Flandera, 34 Devoe Place, Hawthorne, NJ 07506 (973-427-2889)

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

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

In advance	\$15 adult (\$18 at door)	# _____	\$ _____	<b>PLEASE ...</b> Enclose SASE with your order.
(through May 24)	\$7.50 child (\$9 at door)	# _____	\$ _____	
(child = through high school)		TOTAL	\$ _____	

[sgrdance.org/Circle8](http://sgrdance.org/Circle8)**4 Fri. Sept.-June (except Dec.)**

Rosemary Dunton: 201-265-3788

**VFW, 6 Veterans Pl. 07407**

Cell for dance: 201-286-5214

February raids chased away the cold. Circle Eights dined together and visited a Reelers Plus dance called by Jim Snyder. Sixteen members raided a Belles & Beaux Mainstream dance called by Todd Fellegly. After parading under the colors of Circle Eights, many of our members quickly changed into maroon vests to march again with Western Wheelers/Hix & Chix. On February 28, Wayne Applegate and a table full of goodies welcomed dancers to our club, including raiders from WW/H&C.

To keep warm with some “hot dancing,” Circle Eights raided a Y Squares dance called by Dan Koft and a Lakeland Squares dance called by Wes Thielke. On March 28, we gave new students the opportunity to dance with veterans at our annual Student Dance called by Paul Ingis, our class teacher. Speaking of new students, on April 7, Circle Eights graduated 13 dancers at our gala evening featuring a buffet dinner, dancing, diplomas, and games.

Circle Eights welcomed spring with our monthly club dance and a raid of WW/H&C that had been postponed. It’s always challenging and enjoyable to dance all Plus.

We are looking forward to our May raids to RocklandRockytops and Bee Sharps, and also to the Four Seasons Fundraising Dance on May 31 that will benefit the Planning Committee for the 2015 National Convention in Springfield, Massachusetts.

Circle Eights is also excitedly anticipating our club luncheon in June at Biagio’s Ristorante, where we’ll present anniversary dangles and install our slate of officers for the next season.

Congratulations to many of our members who have earned our new red bar for attendance at 10 or 20 One Square Is Fair events or raids. Those sporting “Ten OSIF & Raider” bars are Myra Adler, Pat Duemig, Wina Mazile, Nancy Paulsen, Pat and Rich White, and Doris and Ed Walles. Those with “Twenty OSIF & Raider” bars are Myles Adler, Pauline DuBois, Rosemary and Gene Dunton, Addie Johnson, and Gerry and Rick Savino. Additional bars will be presented at our monthly dances to the awardees as they earn them.

We also congratulate Circle Eights member Ann Cavanaugh, who is the new *Grand Square* ad editor!

**Ad on page 33**Jeanne Weisman ([kreider99@aol.com](mailto:kreider99@aol.com))

201-722-0488

## Congratulations, Patrons!

*Visited at least 12 NNJSDA member clubs  
Earned free dance coupon and dangle*

Barbara Berger #4

Eleanor Frank #11

Larry Bugal #10

Steve Frank #11

Phyllis Bugal #6

Carla Holusha #1

Mimi Corpel #2

Claire Zimmerman #1, 2

Download your Patron form at [NNJSDA.org](http://NNJSDA.org) (Documents) or pick up at a dance.



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

2, 4, &amp; 5 Wed. Sept.-June

Grover Cleveland School, 36 Academy Rd. 07006

Alice De Lancey: 973-618-9025

Cell for dance: 201-303-4135

Cross Trail Squares members continue to travel both for dancing and non-dancing fun. Several of our members escaped this past winter to Florida, where they were able to dance more frequently than in New Jersey due to all the winter cancellations. Those lucky members include Doris Fera and Charlie Krueser, Nancy Von See, and Sylvia and Pete Collette.

Many of us (including Liz Zazzi and Gary Martins, Mary and Neal Aharra, and Alice De Lancey) went a bit south to WASCA after an exciting and high-energy Cross Trail Squares 46th Anniversary Dance. We thank the many visiting dancers from other clubs who joined us at St. Aloysius Church in Caldwell with caller Bill Mager of Connecticut for our annual celebration, and those who also frequent our regular club dances. Please continue to check our schedule for callers from outside the area.

In addition to WASCA, members have already booked themselves for the Chesapeake Squares May weekend in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware, and the Peel the Pumpkin four-day October festival in Iselin, New Jersey. Look for Eleanor and Steve Frank and Alice De Lancey on those dance floors!

We wish Susie Gerish a speedy and full recovery from her illness and pray for her and Joe during this difficult time. We also wish Ruth Edison a complete recovery and hope to see all our dancers on the dance floor soon.

Ad on page 43

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

973-618-9025



## CIRCLE EIGHTS 2014



Mainstream with Plus Tip

- May 23 • Roy Leber
- June 27 • Jim Snyder
- September 26 • Dennis Reardon
- October 24 • Nick Martellacci
- November 28 • Howard Richman
- December • No dance

**\$4 NEW LOW PRICE FOR ALL \$4****ELMWOOD PARK VFW HALL****6 Veterans Place, Elmwood Park, NJ 07407****Dances 7:30-10 PM Plus tip 8:45 PM****4th Friday of each month (except July, August, and December)**

More info: Rosemary Dunton 201-265-3788

Dance night directions: 201-286-5214

**1 & 3 Sun. All Year**

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

**Maywood Rec. Center, 346 Duvier Pl. 07607**

**Barn Dance 4 Sun. 6 Times a Year**

Jim Van Rensalier: 201-388-6314

In the last issue of *Grand Square*, we thanked Chris O’Connor for having FAD’s summer dances in and around his pool. It is still unclear who was doing whom the favor – Chris, for inviting the square dancers to his home, or the square dancers who accepted the invitation. Chris loved having company, and the square dancers loved cooling off in his pool, so it was a draw. Chris celebrated his 90th birthday at his home right on the actual day in 2013, which also happened to be Father’s Day. Just like a little kid, he could hardly wait and kept talking about it! More than 100 guests attended, and all thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Sadly, we lost Chris on December 21. We are missing a good friend, fellow dancer, leader, and baker. Those who knew Chris remember how much he smiled, enjoyed his Smirnoff, and loved to bake! Many of us are lucky to have his delicious Irish soda bread recipe.

Belles & Beaux raided FAD on Super Bowl Sunday. A good time was had by all.

Although we are now in spring, the memories of this past winter and the many dances canceled due to the weather linger on. Now, we can look forward to a full dance schedule.

Please continue to watch the NNJSDA website and emails for introductory (barn) dances. Remember, they are open to everyone, experienced or not. These dances help us all to brush up on our skills, as well as being a great way to introduce prospective dancers to square dancing. It’s a *free, fun, family* night!

**Ad below**

Diana LePore ([lady93di@aol.com](mailto:lady93di@aol.com))

201-337-7528

## FAD SQUARES

“FUN AT DANCING”

7:30 to 10:00 PM – MS with ½ hour Plus at 9:30 – First and Third Sundays

May 4 Ed Foote	July 6 Howard Richman	Sept. 7 TBA	
May 18 Rick Gittelman	July 20 Wayne Applegate	Sept. 21 Howard Richman	
June 1 Paul Ingis	Aug. 3 Paul Ingis	Sept. 28 Wayne Applegate	
June 15 No Dance	Aug. 17 Roy Leber	<i>Barn Dance</i>	

346 Duvier Place, Maywood, NJ 07607

James Van Rensalier 201-388-6314

## HI TAWS – Paramus

**C2, C1**

[sqrdance.org/Hi.Taw.Twirlers](http://sqrdance.org/Hi.Taw.Twirlers)

**Various Tues. All Year**

**Paramus Senior Center, 93 Farview Ave. 07652**

**Ad below**

Sandy and Bernie Beck: 201-447-0538

## Hi Taws – A Challenge Club

Various Tuesdays

Paramus Senior Center – 93 Farview Ave., Paramus, NJ 07652

Challenge Dancing: C2 – 7 to 8 PM C1 – 8 to 10 PM

Information: Bernie and Sandy 201-447-0538 Fred 201-797-3421

1 &amp; 3 Fri. Sept.-June

Echo Hill Park Lodge, 43 Lilac Dr. 08822

Tomás Gonzales: 908-689-4678

Cell for dance: 908-328-3875

We were fortunate to have to cancel only one dance due to the terrible weather that blanketed the northeast this past winter. Club members were disappointed to miss the chocolate-themed event, so we combined it with the Glow Stick dance, called by our own Mary Moody. We had a great turnout on that cold winter night. To keep things interesting, we tried a new dance theme, Soup Night, on January 17. The logistics were a little challenging, but we were able to present wonderful soups made by club members. Almost six squares of dancers attended, and everyone loved the soup variety and warmth – an appropriate treat for such a cold time of the year. Then on January 26, 23 club members attended the NNJSDA Midterm Dance in Bridgewater and provided some wonderful refreshments for the event. Great showing, team!

Things picked up in mid-February with our open house, which is always held the Sunday after the Super Bowl. This year, 35 guests showed up to find out what our activity is all about. It was an enthusiastic bunch, and with the help of most of our club members, our dance floor was bustling. We had great refreshments, too.

We now have a class of about 20 students. Ralph Serio and Rich Moody are doing a great job of encouraging the newbies, and we expect to have graduation at our May 16 dance. Come and join us to celebrate their success.

Our International Night on March 7 brought something new for us – not the theme, but the caller. Mark Franks had never called for a Hunterdon Flutterwheels dance. Because our usual hall was unavailable that night, we were offered a larger facility by the Park System. A great hall, terrific caller, and interesting theme brought out raiders from Kittatinny Rangers, Mountain Squares, and Y Squares. A memorable time was had by more than nine squares of dancers. Thank you, Mark! What more could we have asked for?

On a sad note, longtime club member Ruth Schmidt passed away in January. Ruth had been a member for many years; she and her husband, Harry, held officer positions in the club. Most recently, Ruth managed and purchased the refreshment supplies for club dances and classes. We are blessed to have known Ruth and she will *always* be with us in spirit.

Come join us at our Little Lodge in the Woods with the great dance floor! The food's not bad, either.

**Ad on page 40**Donna Besignano ([donnabes@att.net](mailto:donnabes@att.net))

908-526-7496

### WHERE'S THE DANCE?

A new "one-stop" website enables travelers and others to find dances all over the United States and in other countries: [WheresTheDance.com](http://WheresTheDance.com).

You can search for dances by zip code, address, type of dance, event type, and date range. The results can be viewed in list format, on a calendar, or on a map. If you find any errors, you can report them and they will be quickly corrected.

There is a link to the "Where's the Dance" website on the NNJSDA homepage ([nnjstda.org](http://nnjstda.org)), along with links to many other useful sites for square dancers, including animations and videos of various calls.

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

2 & 4 Fri. Sept.-May

Florence Burd School, 219 Newton-Sparta Rd. 07860

Mary and Paul Olsen: 973-361-3798

Cell for dance: 973-960-5944

We sure don't know who invited them to the dance, but when Old Man Winter and Mother Nature decided to partner up last season, they do-si-do'ed like never before. This stormy couple promenaded through the winter months with cancellations of dances, raids, and many of our weekly classes (Tuesdays seemed their clear-cut favorite).

But this tip did come to an end, as all tips do, and after bowing to each other, we hope they choose warmer partners next time. Our Mainstream students persevered through the drifts and deep freeze. We proudly congratulate our 2014 class: Marie Decker, Alma and Dick Dole, JiJi John, John Sugar, and Valentino. Like other students in schools across the country, they will graduate a bit later than usual to make up for all our "snow days." We welcome our new dancers to the friendly world of square dancing, and hope they will enjoy dances at our club and at other clubs during these much-anticipated warmer months.

Despite the difficult weather, Kittatiny Rangers held two dance demonstrations last winter. On January 31, we participated in a hoedown held by the Franklin Home and School Association, and on February 14 (Valentine's Day and the day after a major snowstorm), our members braved polar conditions to dance at Heath Village retirement community.

On March 7 and 16, our club participated in two raids, the first to Hunterdon Flutterwheels and the second to FAD, where our class teacher, Wayne Applegate, was the caller.

We look forward to welcoming you to one of our dances. Did you know our refreshment table is one of the best around? Be sure to "like" our Facebook page online and browse pictures there of some of our recent events, and come join us offline at a dance.

Let us now glory in spring and celebrate with dancing!

**Ad on page 37**

Robin Friedman ([floweringgarlic@yahoo.com](mailto:floweringgarlic@yahoo.com))

### **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.**

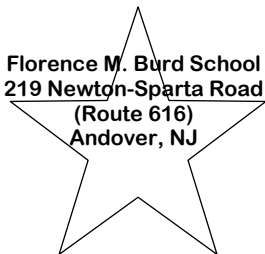
Submit your ad as a 5-inch-wide table with a full border in Word format, using the heights specified on page 2. For assistance with ad formatting, send an email to [ads@nnjsda.org](mailto:ads@nnjsda.org).

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.

The editorial staff of *Grand Square* works diligently to ensure that each issue meets publishing standards that have been established over the years. As stated on the back cover, we reserve the right to edit all articles and ads. However, responsibility for accuracy rests with authors/ad makers.

Square Dancing Fun  
with the  
**KITTATINNY RANGERS**

Florence M. Burd School  
219 Newton-Sparta Road  
(Route 616)  
Andover, NJ



ALTERNATING MAINSTREAM AND PLUS  
2nd and 4th FRIDAYS, 7:30-10:00 PM

<u>DATES</u>	<u>CALLERS</u>	<u>THEMES</u>
May 9, 2014	Dan Koft	Ice Cream Fridae
May 23, 2014*	Howard Richman	Potluck Dinner (dress down)

\*Casual Dress – Supper 6:00, Annual Meeting 6:45, Dance 7:30  
Location: Long Pond School, 707 Limecrest Road, Newton, NJ 07860

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**SUMMER SPECIAL!**

**August 20, 2014 JOHNNY PRESTON**

St. Andrew Church, 1447 Sussex Turnpike, Randolph, NJ 07869  
7:30-10:00 PM

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September 12, 2014	Wayne Applegate	The Wild West Cowboys and Indians
September 26, 2014	Roy Leber	Super Heroes Spectacular

*For information: Mary and Paul Olsen, 973-361-3798*

*Cell for dance: 973-960-5944 Website: [kittatinnyrangers.com](http://kittatinnyrangers.com)*

**For internet/GPS directions: 219 Newton-Sparta Road, Newton, NJ 07860**

[lakelandsquares.wix.com/lakeland](http://lakelandsquares.wix.com/lakeland)

1, 2, 3, & 4 Tues. Sept.-July

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Barn Dance 5 Tues. Sept.-July

215 Boulevard 07046

Kathy Keener: 973-366-8064

Cell for dance: 973-229-0698

Late fall and winter were rough on Lakeland Squares. On many Mondays and Tuesdays, a snowfall, threatening snowstorm, or too much leftover ice and snow caused us to cancel classes and dances. Some of our visitors also had problems finding us in the dark. We are pleased to report, however, that attendance has been picking up and the later sunsets help people find us.

Our Mainstream class is doing well. The teacher, Fran Wadel, commented, "This is one of the best classes I've ever had."

At the end of winter, we had our annual Chinese dinner. This year's meal featured a special soup with appetizers: grilled shrimp salad, tempura, and Chinese pancakes. Entrees were served family style and included fruity shrimp, orange beef, General Tso's chicken, boneless barbecue pork, and the chef's fabulous fried rice. There was all the tea that you could drink, and ice cream and fortune cookies finished off the dinner.

A few of us defeated the weather by traveling. Kathy Keener went to Israel with her sister and friends. They saw many of the holy sites and learned about some of the latest archeological finds. They also enjoyed sampling the Mediterranean cuisine. Dolores Lynch and Jim Schlegel were in Florida and attended two square dance clubs, both times dancing to Ron Reardon (brother of Dennis). One of the dances was at the Rice Creek RV Resort in Riverview, where Pie Night provided great tasting in addition to great dancing. The other dance was in Sun City, with eight squares on the floor.

Catherine and Jim Douglas, two long-time Lakelanders, sent a picture of their new home. They have relocated to an independent living community: Huntcliff Summit, 8592 Roswell Road, Apt. 133, Atlanta, GA 30350.

**Ad on page 39**

Monte and Janet Montagnino

973-546-3092

[lakelandsquares@hotmail.com](mailto:lakelandsquares@hotmail.com)

### RAID AND OSIF PROGRAMS – UPDATED

In response to suggestions from dancers, the NNJSDA Raid and One Square Is Fair programs have been changed. Beginning this past January, clubs can complete each program twice in each dance season.

#### Raid:

The number of points remains 200. Clubs may complete the program twice by earning at least 400 points, using two separate forms.

OSIF: The number of NNJSDA dances at which a club must have at least one square of official members has been reduced to 50% (rounded down). Clubs can complete the program twice in one season.

Completing either program once earns a club a 50¢ per member reduction in NNJSDA dues for the following season. Completing both programs, or either program two times, earns a \$1 per member reduction (which currently equates to *no dues at all*). The new dance season begins on June 1, 2014.

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ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
215 BOULEVARD, MOUNTAIN LAKES, NJ 07046

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TUESDAYS: Alternating MAINSTREAM and PLUS (8:00 to 10:00 PM)  
5th Tuesdays: Barn Dance (8:00 to 10:00 PM)  
Plus Classes with Fran Wadel: 7:00 PM on dance nights

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## May 2014

- 6 Rick Gittelman – *Anniversary Dance*  
*Dinner 7:00 PM, Dance 8:00 PM*
- 13 Dennis Reardon
- 20 Nick Martellacci
- 27 Howard Richman

## June 2014

- 3 Stephen Ingis
- 10 Nick Martellacci
- 17 Betsy Gotta
- 24 Howard Richman – *A Night at the Movies*

## July 2014

- 1 No Dance
- 8 Nick Martellacci
- 15 Betsy Gotta
- 22 Don Coy
- 29 Barn Dance – Howard Richman  
*Open to the public – bring your friends!*

## August 2014

- 26 Barn Dance – Howard Richman  
*Open to the public – bring your friends!*

## September 2014

- 2 No Dance
- 9 Roy Leber
- 16 Chuck & Gerry Hardy
- 23 Mary Moody
- 30 Barn Dance – Howard Richman  
*Open to the public – bring your friends!*

## October 2014

- 7 Dennis Reardon
- 14 No Dance
- 21 Howard Richman
- 28 Dan Tapper

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Email us at:

[Lakelandsquares@hotmail.com](mailto:Lakelandsquares@hotmail.com)



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

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

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

Every Fri. All Year

Croydon Hall, 900 Leonardville Rd. 07737

Beverly and Rich Yackel: 732-747-8505

Cell for dance: 732-319-8920




The Middletown Ramblers have been at it again: fun and surprises! At our Valentine’s dance (which happened to fall on February 14 this year), one of our dancers, Joe Ross, walked to the front of the stage and asked for the microphone. Instead of talking about a club dance or collecting for a good cause, as we expected, he called up another of our dancers, Patty Groop. Then, in front of all of us, he told her that he loved her deeply. Getting down on one knee, he asked her to marry him. She put her arms around him and joyfully responded, “Yes!” Then, in true romantic style, he presented her with a sparkling ring. We were all so thrilled for them and so honored that they would share this very special moment with their square dance family. Congratulations and best wishes to this wonderful couple.

Our students are an amazing group – so talented and so much fun to be with. One student, Lori Beck, has even become an instructor, and she hasn’t finished Plus yet! Lori is a member of the Monmouth Civic Chorus, a highly regarded performing group. One of the pieces in their spring concert was “Get Along Home, Cindy, Cindy,” which their director wanted to highlight with a square dance. Lori volunteered to choreograph a tip and teach it. At their next rehearsal, Lori was given 15 minutes to teach these totally green, but enthusiastic, new dancers what they needed to know. She accomplished this perfectly; we angels witnessed it. Bravo, Lori!

We invite you to come to our Friday dances at Croydon Hall and join us for fun (and good food). Our ad or website will give you the details. Hope to see you soon!

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Virginia Daggett

	<p><b>HUNTERDON FLUTTERWHEELS</b>                  Echo Hill Park, 43 Lilac Dr., Flemington, NJ 08822                  Web: <a href="http://hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjsda.org">hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjsda.org</a>                  Contact # night of dance: 908-328-3875</p>	
<u>2014</u>	<u>Theme</u>	<u>Caller</u>
May 2	The Roaring '20s – Dress Up	Howard Richman
May 16	Graduation – Congratulations, Students	Ed Kerns
June 6	Ice Cream Social – Wear Vacation T-shirts	Jim Snyder
 <b>HAVE A NICE SUMMER, EVERYONE!</b>  		
Sept. 19	Back to School Night – Book Swap	Chuck and Gerry Hardy
Oct. 3	All Things Disney – Disney Whirled	Paul Ingis
Oct. 17	Pumpkin Time – Wear Orange	Ed Kerns
<p>Alternate Mainstream and Plus Tips                  Soft-Soled Shoes, Please!                  1st and 3rd Fridays 8:00-10:15 PM</p>		
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: right;"> <p><b>For Information:</b>                      Tomás and Leala 908-689-4678                      Pat 908-806-7147                      Ralph and Donna 908-236-7270</p> </div> </div>		





# Middletown Ramblers

Fridays 7:30-10:00 PM

Croydon Hall – Middletown Senior Center  
900 Leonardville Rd., Leonardo, NJ 07737

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

**Plus Club + Rounds**

May 2	Ed Foote (PA)	July 18****	Dan Koft
May 9	Betsy Gotta	July 25	Wayne Applegate
May 16	Glenn Matthew (DE)	Aug. 1	Howard Richman
May 23	Rick Gittelman (AZ)	Aug. 8	Jim Snyder (PA)
May 30*	Dan Koft	Aug. 15	Clay Goss (DE)
June 6	Paul Ingis	Aug. 22****	Paul Ingis
June 13	Butch Adams (VA)	Sept. 5	Wayne Applegate
June 20	Dennis Reardon (PA)	Sept. 12	Joe Landi
June 27**	Glenn Matthew (DE)	Sept. 19	Mark Franks
July 4	No dance	Sept. 26****	Wayne Applegate
July 11	Joe Landi		

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.

\*May 30 – Class Dance

\*\*June 27 – Dinner-Dance: limited to club members only

\*\*\*July 18 and Aug. 22 – Barn Dance at Croydon Hall

\*\*\*\*Sept. 26 – Open House at Thompson Park  
805 Newman Springs Rd., Lincroft, NJ 07738

NOTE: Hearing enhancement system available.

Al Peskoe, Co-President 732-741-0766

John Lovasz, Co-President 732-787-2794

Patti Meyer 732-443-7123

Betty Scharmann 732-291-1188

[motiv8ors.nnjstda.org](http://motiv8ors.nnjstda.org)

Various Sun. All Year

Our Savior Lutheran Church – Parish House

Chariss Smith and Carl Luhrs: 201-489-2498

1-22 Hartley Place 07410

Our new location in Fair Lawn is working out quite well: easy to find, good acoustics, a stage for the caller, and a beautiful gym floor. We request soft-soled shoes to preserve the excellent dance surface.

This was quite a winter! Snowstorms and icy conditions resulted in a couple of our dances being canceled. Our February dance had a lower attendance than usual because of the snow and difficult traveling conditions; however, those who braved the elements were rewarded with a fun dance called by Betsy Gotta.

In spite of the challenging weather, our members attended numerous festivals: ACDC (Washington, DC), WASCA Festival (Alexandria, Virginia), Allemande What I Am! (Wilmington, Delaware), Make Magic (Albany, New York), and Spring Round-A-Rama (Baltimore, Maryland).

At our holiday dance, Louis and Jan Thompson proudly announced that their son Brian had earned his PhD in computer science. Brian has been square dancing since he was 10 years old. We always say that square dancing helps develop the mind.

Louis and Jan spent four weeks in Mesa, Arizona, during the winter months. They enjoyed the warmer weather, lots of square and round dancing, and going to theaters and museums in the area.

Ad below

Jan and Louis Thompson ([ltpt1@yahoo.com](mailto:ltpt1@yahoo.com))

732-577-9413



# Motiv8ors



NEW JERSEY'S PREMIER ADVANCED & CHALLENGE CLUB

Sundays at our **\*\*\* NEW LOCATION \*\*\***

Our Savior Lutheran Church – Parish House

1-22 Hartley Place, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

**C1 Program 6:30–7:30 PM, A2 Program 7:30–9:30 PM**

May 18	Barry Clasper, Canada	Aug. 24	Ben Rubright, FL
June 1	Roy Leber, PA	Sept. 7	Ken Ritucci, MA
June 15	Don Moger, Canada	Sept. 14	Dayle Hodge, MD
July 20	Ken Ritucci, MA	Oct. 5	Betsy Gotta, NJ
Aug. 10	Daryl Murphy, NJ	Nov. 2	Todd Fellegly, CT

For new map/directions, go to [oursaviornj.org/directions.html](http://oursaviornj.org/directions.html)

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

Chariss and Carl: 201-489-2498, [charartist@aol.com](mailto:charartist@aol.com)





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**Additional Information:**

**CROSS TRAIL SQUARES**

2nd, 4th, and 5th Wednesdays  
7:15-9:45 – NEW TIME

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

Grover Cleveland Middle School  
36 Academy Road  
Caldwell, NJ 07006

Alice De Lancey  
973-618-9025

***FORMAT: ALTERNATING MAINSTREAM AND PLUS***

Apr. 30	Todd Fellegly (CT)	Twist and Shout '50s
May 14	Rick Gittelman (AZ)	Spring Colors and Flowers
May 28	Ken Ritucci (MA)	Red, White, and Blue Patriotism
June 11	Wayne Applegate	Ice Cream Social and Favorite T-Shirts
SUMMER BREAK		
Sept. 10	Don Bachelder (MA)	Take Me Out to the Ball Game
Sept. 24	Paul Ingis	Dancers in Aprons Baking Competition
Oct. 8	Dan Tapper	Fall Colors
Oct. 22	Chris Phelan (DE)	Bring Those Caller Books!

**We welcome all singles and pairs to join us for our exciting line-up of callers. Enhance your dancing by taking our free Plus lesson!**

**Contact Alice at 973-618-9025 to book your raids.**

**We look forward to your visit!**

**NOTE: EARLIER START TIME AT REGULAR DANCES**

1 &amp; 3 Wed. Sept.-Dec., Mar.-June

Hilda and Bill Groth: 973-746-0656

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

Our Lady of Mercy – Parish Center

90 Whippany Rd. at Eden Ln. 07981

Our dance in March was the first following our annual winter recess. There's no special news to report – everyone is well, and some snowbirds are still en route home. (I think they heard about the New Jersey winter and extended their stays down south.)

We are glad to see all Advanced dancers at our club; you are always welcome!

Ad below

Ina Minor ([ellynminor@gmail.com](mailto:ellynminor@gmail.com))

973-744-7763

## MOUNTAIN SQUARES

A2 Dances – workshops as needed, computer squares, Joe Landi – Caller!

**TIME:** 7:45–10:00 PM**SCHEDULE:** April–October 2014

April 2, 16;

May 7, 28; June 4\*\*;

\*\*Optional Potluck Dinner at 6:00 PM

**Summer Break → mid-September**

September 17; October 1, 15

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:****LOCATION:**

Our Lady of Mercy Parish Center  
90 Whippany Road (at Eden Lane), Whippany, NJ  
07981

**DIRECTIONS:**

Route 10 to Whippany Road (3rd light from Route 287)  
Whippany Road ½ mile to Eden Lane  
Right onto Eden Lane (enter via first driveway on right)

**Bill and Hilda Groth** 973-746-0656  
**Mary Jane Roome** 973-543-4109

*At submitter's request, final ad copy has not been proofread by the editors.*

# Y Squares

**Mainstream:** 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 1 Plus Tip

Rounds 7:30 PM Squares 8:00 PM

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

<u>Date</u>	<u>Theme</u>	<u>Caller</u>	<u>Cuer</u>
May 8	Hawaiian Night	Dan Tapper	Mary Pickett
May 22	Fifties	Betsy Gotta	Roy Gotta
Sept. 11	Welcome Back	Dan Koft	Mary Pickett
Sept. 16	Open House (Tuesday)	Dan Koft	None
Sept. 25	Sports Night	Mark Franks	Mary Pickett
Oct. 9	Apple Fest	Dan Koft	Mary Pickett
Oct. 23	Halloween	Howard Richman	Mary Pickett
Nov. 13	Thanksgiving Food Drive	Dan Koft	Mary Pickett
Nov. 27	No Dance: Thanksgiving		

Contact: Barbara and George Kuhne 732-548-8537

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

1 & 3 Fri. Sept.-June Ironia School, 303 Dover-Chester Rd. (Rt. 513) 07869

Helen Jacobson: 973-442-0836 Cell for dance: 201-230-4999

After a slow start due to all the snow over the winter, Reelers got its Mainstream class going and it is now in full swing. Dan Tapper has been doing a wonderful job guiding our students, helped by good angel support. We are looking forward to seeing all of our students on the dance floor soon.

Reelers has been trying to make square dancing more visible in our community. We have had two articles about square dancing in general, and our club in particular, in the Sunday *Daily Record*, complete with pictures! In February, Reelers members participated in a mother/daughter afternoon event, sponsored by a Girl Scout troop that meets at Ironia School. Dan Tapper kept us all moving to a variety of music with basic square dance calls. The Girl Scouts and their mothers had a wonderful time. We also did a demonstration of what club square dancing looks like.

Our Raid program has been going well, with recent raids to Bee Sharps, Kittatinny Rangers, and Rutgers Promenaders. We had a good turnout for each one and exceeded the requirement, reaching 220 miles for the year. It was very enjoyable seeing friends from other clubs.

Mainstream dancers and recent graduates: Please visit us on Friday, June 6, when the dance will feature Mainstream as well as Plus to welcome our own wonderful graduates. Mainstream clubs can raid and Mainstream dancers can get a Patron signature! Please check our ad below for program details.

See you all in a square soon.

**Ad below** Nancy and Jim Anderson ([ReelersSqDance@gmail.com](mailto:ReelersSqDance@gmail.com)) 973-361-1038



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

# REELERS

*Plus Club – Ironia School*

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

**1st and 3rd Fridays**

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

Info: Helen Jacobson 973-442-0836 (h); 201-230-4999 (c)

**Cuer: Mary Pickett unless noted**

<u>2014</u>	<u>Caller</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>Caller</u>
05/02	Mark Franks	01/02	Dan Tapper
05/16	Jim Snyder	01/16	Howard Richman
06/06*	Dan Tapper: <b>MS/PL/RD</b>	02/06	Mark Franks
09/19	Jim Snyder	02/20	Clay Goss
10/03	Mark Franks	03/06	Dan Koft/Kathy Koft
10/17	Dennis Reardon	03/20	Todd Fellegly
11/07**	Joe Landi	04/17	Ed Foote
11/21	Roy Leber/Karen Kushla	05/01	Joe Landi
12/05	Glenn Matthew	05/15	Bill Mager
12/19	Len Anfinen	06/05	Glenn Matthew

\*Potluck Supper 6:15; **MS** 7:30-8:00, **MS/RD** 8:00-9:30, **PL/RD** 9:30-10:00

\*\*Location: St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 51 Mountain Way, Morris Plains 07950

**ROCKLANDROCKYTOPS – West Nyack, NY (dance program below)**

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

**MS – 2 Fri. All Year**

**PL – 1 Fri. Oct.-June, 3 Fri. July-Aug.**

Patsy Lisak: 845-641-7778

**West Nyack Firehouse**

**42 Strawtown Rd. 10994**

Cell for dance: 845-641-7778

I believe that the New York/New Jersey square dance community was never so happy to welcome spring as this year. Every time I checked my email this past winter, there were more notices of weather-related dance cancellations. It was no exception for RocklandRockytops, as the first Plus dance of 2014 was canceled. We did get to enjoy our January Mainstream dance with Howard Richman calling, even though it was a dreary, drizzly night. We thank the group of dancers who traveled an hour and a half from Middletown, New Jersey, to join us at the firehouse that night.

Unfortunately, the fire company mandated the cancellation of our February, March, and April 4 dances. We are pleased to be back in full swing as of April 11.

Due to insufficient registration for the second semester, we could not continue our Mainstream class. Belles & Beaux graciously accepted our three remaining students into their class to complete Mainstream lessons. We thank Vicky Ficco-Panzer, Arthur Leibowitz, and Mindy Scher for continuing to be their angels. Congratulations to Patricia Lutter, Victoria Rapisarda, and Maureen SantaMaria and to all of this year's graduates.

Yours truly was able to get away from the New York winter for a couple of weeks to spend some time at Sun City Hilton Head in Bluffton, South Carolina. There, I got to dance with the friendly people of Sun City Squares, who are fortunate to have as their caller Tim Marriner. He also calls nationally as well as internationally. The Rockytops president, Patsy Lisak, escaped the severe weather of the northeast for one week in Phoenix, Arizona, where there were five days of record-breaking temperatures in the high 80s.

Our club extends get-well wishes to Ray Keywork and to Cathy Schlesinger, who are recuperating very well from surgery. Best of luck, and we hope to see you back dancing very soon. Our thoughts and prayers are with Marty Millman, who must spend several months in a body brace following surgery after a bad fall. We are going to miss the Begins who are moving to Colorado. Rose and Ray, enjoy your new home and keep square dancing!

Be sure to check our ad in this issue to see our summer schedule of dances. Happy dancing to all!

**Ad on page 47**

Joan Schierlitz ([dancinggrandma@verizon.net](mailto:dancinggrandma@verizon.net))

845-353-2987

## **Advanced (A2) 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)**

# RocklandRockytops

PLUS	MAINSTREAM
First Friday – 8:00 to 10:30 PM (Third Friday in July and August)	Second Friday – 8:00 to 10:30 PM (All year round)
DBD Workshop – 7:45 to 8:00 PM A1/A2 Tip – During dance	DBD Workshop – 7:45 to 8:00 PM Plus Tip – During dance
05/02/14 Rick Gittelman	05/09/14 Paul Ingis
06/06/14 Daryl Murphy	06/13/14* Nick Martellacci
07/18/14 Paul Ingis	07/11/14** Betsy Gotta
08/15/14 Sandy Corey	08/08/14*** Howard Richman
09/05/14 Mark Franks	09/12/14 Paul and Stephen Ingis
	09/19/14**** Paul Ingis

- \* Ice Cream Social
- \*\* Special Intro Dance 7:30-8:30 PM followed by Mainstream only
- \*\*\* Special Alternating Intro and Mainstream tips 7:45-10:30 PM
- \*\*\*\* Special Intro Dance 7:30-9:30 PM at  
St. Paul Lutheran Church, 323 Main St., New City, NY 10956

**Location: The Air Conditioned West Nyack Firehouse  
42 Strawtown Road, West Nyack, NY 10994**

**SINGLES WELCOME**

**From Palisades Interstate Parkway (PIP):**

Take Exit 8E (Route 59 East). \*Continue on Route 59 East to first traffic light. Turn left onto Crosfield Avenue. Continue to end of Crosfield Avenue, turn right onto West Nyack Road, and continue to traffic light. Turn left onto Strawtown Road. Firehouse is just past yellow blinker on the right.

**From New York State Thruway 287/87:**

Take Exit 13S to PIP South. Go ½ mile to Exit 8E (Route 59 East), and follow PIP instructions \* above.

**From Garden State Parkway (GSP) North to New York Thruway South/East:**

Go to end of GSP/Thruway Exit 14-1; go South/East on Thruway to Exit 13S, PIP South, and follow PIP instructions \* above; hall is 7 miles from the NJ/NY border via GSP.

**From Kinderkamack Road (NJ):**

Kinderkamack Road becomes Route 304 in NY. Follow Route 304 North to Route 59 East, and follow PIP instructions \* above; hall is 5 miles from the NJ/NY border via Kinderkamack Road.

**For further information: Patsy, 845-641-7778**

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

1 & 3 Sun. Sept.-June

Franklin Twp. Senior Center, 505 DeMott Ln. 08873

Ken Robinson: 908-963-2447

Cell for dance: 908-963-2447

We were honored to be raided recently by the Kittatinny Rangers and Reelers. Thank you for your support! Our various food drives resulted in 352.5 pounds of food (possibly our largest donation). Thanks to all who generously gave to a great cause.

Our Toys for Tots dance was its usual great success. However, we missed the presence of Roy Gotta, due to a health problem. Fortunately, he has fully recovered.

In other health news, it was so heartwarming to see Kathy Randall at the last Harvest Moon Classic. Although she did not dance, she looked hale and hearty as she made the social rounds! Kathy is now recovering from her long-awaited surgery, which thankfully went well. Our continued best wishes go out to her and Tony.

Speaking of Kathy and Tony, they were caretakers to an adorable traveling teddy bear by the name of Franzl, who came over from a club in Germany. He was dropped off at one of our dances for admiring attendees to see and sign his “autograph book.” (See the article on page 14.)

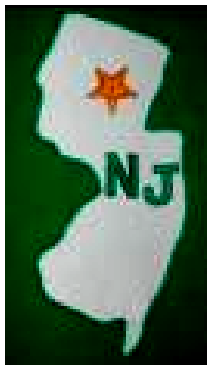
On a sad note, we send condolences to our treasurer, Ginny Platania, whose father passed away.

**Ad on page 49**

Mary Ann Ryan-Erdek ([merdek56@gmail.com](mailto:merdek56@gmail.com))

908-745-1659

### NEW JERSEY STATE OUTFIT



Square dance conventions and other national gatherings hold a Parade of States or a Grand March, during which the dancers from each state march together. Usually the dancers from each state wear the same outfit or color combination.

The New Jersey state outfit colors are kelly green and white, based on the “Garden State” concept. (Examples of kelly green are the *labels* on Schweppes and Seagram’s ginger ale bottles.) The dolls on the NNJSDA carousel, displayed at each Mini-Festival, are wearing state outfits. The emblem set is available through the NNJSDA for \$7.50.

Vest patterns can be borrowed from the NNJSDA assistant treasurer.

The emblem consists of a 9” kelly green and white embroidered outline of New Jersey, with an embroidered gold star (to be placed at the location of the dancer’s home club) and an embroidered “NJ.” Sets can be purchased at any NNJSDA dance or through the website ([nnjsda.org/state\\_outfit](http://nnjsda.org/state_outfit)). The state emblem is placed in a prominent, but tasteful, location. Possible outfits (see photos on website) include:

- Sew or pin the state emblem on the back of a kelly green vest with white top-stitching, worn over a white shirt or blouse.
- Place the state emblem on the back of a kelly green or white shirt or blouse.
- Place the state emblem on the side front of a kelly green or white skirt or dress.
- Place the state emblem on a green overskirt/apron trimmed with white eyelet.
- Wear white or kelly green pants.



# Rutgers Promenaders

1st and 3rd Sunday Afternoons  
 September 15 through June 1, 2:30-5:00 PM  
 \*\*\* 60th Anniversary Dance – June 1, 2014 \*\*\*

Franklin Township Senior Center  
 505 DeMott Lane, Somerset, NJ 08873

### Family Friendly

Mainstream Dancing with Rounds for All Ages  
 Note: There will be some class-level tips during some dances.

May 4, 2014	Dan and Kathy Koft
May 18, 2014	Dan and Kathy Koft
<b>June 1, 2014</b>	<p>Betsy and Roy Gotta  <i>and</i> Dan and Kathy Koft  <b>60th Anniversary Dance</b>          ** Live Music **          Watch for flyers</p>
September 7, 2014	Gottas and/or Kofts <i>Welcome Back</i>
September 21, 2014	Gottas and/or Kofts
October 5, 2014	Gottas and/or Kofts

### Directions

- I-287 to Exit 10 (Easton Avenue toward New Brunswick).
- Go 2.5 miles to DeMott Lane.
- Turn right onto DeMott Lane (the turn-off is a little before the traffic light).
- Stay on DeMott Lane until you see the Franklin Township municipal complex on the right; turn right into the complex. The Senior Center is at the back of the complex.
- If you get to the next traffic light (Amwell Road), you've gone too far.

More Information: Ken Robinson      [president@rutgerspromenaders.org](mailto:president@rutgerspromenaders.org)  
 908-963-2447                              [rutgerspromenaders.org](http://rutgerspromenaders.org)

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

Various Tues., Thurs., &amp; Sat. All Year

PS 3, 490 Hudson St. 10014

Warren Livesley: 917-705-5243

Cell for dance: 917-520-9688

In addition to the Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association, Times Squares is affiliated with the International Association of Gay Square Dancing Clubs ([iagsdc.org](http://iagsdc.org)).

The IAGSDC (and you thought “NNJSDA” was awkward) was formed in 1983 when straight clubs did not permit gay and lesbian couples to join them. It was a time when it was almost impossible to find a straight caller willing to call for a gay group. The Gay Callers Association was formed to fill the need for callers at gay clubs, and the IAGSDC was created to promote the activity for the gay and lesbian community. New York City’s Times Squares was formed shortly thereafter in 1984.

How times have changed! The association has expanded to about 50 member clubs in the United States, Canada, and Japan. More than half of the member clubs are now affiliated with regional and state square dance organizations. Just as you have made the members of Times Squares feel so welcome in the NNJSDA, the IAGSDC wants you to feel welcome to dance with us.

Because gay clubs cover such a wide geographic area, we never developed a tradition of raids. Instead, each club picked one weekend a year and dancers “fly in” for the event. The Times Squares fly-in is Peel the Pumpkin, held annually around Halloween.

The biggest event on the IAGSDC calendar is the annual national convention. A different club volunteers each year to organize the event, which can attract up to 1,200 dancers. Usually held over the weekend closest to the Fourth of July, this year’s convention is being sponsored by Temple Squares in Salt Lake City from July 3-6. This is such a big event that a convention guide has been developed and posted on the IAGSDC website ([iagsdc.org](http://iagsdc.org) – click on “Convention”).

Even though there are a lot of opportunities to dance with gay clubs near and far, Emad Heikal (the chair of this year’s event and party host extraordinaire) wants you to know that Peel the Pumpkin is still the best.

PS: If you attend any Times Squares event, you can use the discount rate for members. Please tell the treasurer that you are a member of an NNJSDA club.

**Ad on page 51**Warren Livesley ([wllivesley@gmail.com](mailto:wllivesley@gmail.com))

917-705-5243

### BECOME A PATRON

Do you enjoy visiting other clubs? Earn a Patron award by getting a signature at 12 different NNJSDA clubs (including your own).

Get a Patron form from your club, an Association dance, or the website ([nnjsda.org](http://nnjsda.org) – click on “Documents”). When you visit a member club on its *regularly scheduled dance night*, have a club officer sign the form. When you have 12 signatures, give the form to the NNJSDA recording secretary (see page 2 of *Grand Square*). Upon verification, you will receive a Patron dangle and a coupon valued at the current admission fee for an NNJSDA dance. Coupons may be used toward regular dances or accumulated and combined to use toward a Mini-Festival ribbon.

There is no time limit on completing the form, and there is no limit on how often you can qualify for the program. One dancer per form is suggested because couples may not always attend the same dances. Have fun!

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

[sqrdance.org/Western.Wheelers](http://sqrdance.org/Western.Wheelers)

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

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

Georgi Flandera: 973-427-2889

Cell for dance: 862-452-5597

Hope you are enjoying the milder weather after the snowy winter. November and December dances with Glenn Matthew and Jim Snyder were held at our new location in Maywood and were well attended. It rained on January 6, but six squares came out to enjoy Dan Koft. Even with the snow, our dance with Roy and Betsy Gotta was a lot of fun. Bob Bachmann and Fran Wadel welcomed the graduates from Fran's Plus class and thanked the angels for their commitment and enthusiasm. As always, Connie Huettemann and her loyal staff – Addie Johnson and Barbara Berger – kept us happy with great snacks. Thanks to them and everyone who baked and helped in the kitchen.

We were so glad to see Loretta Lang and Amy Golden back on the dance floor.

Our Raid chair, Georgi Flandera, announced that our club completed its required 200 miles and was starting to go for the second 200. At the time of writing, we have raided Belles & Beaux, Circle Eights, Cross Trail Squares, and Lakeland Squares.

The Flanderas, Carol Freemyer, and Jim Van Rensalier attended the pre-convention dance in Springfield, Massachusetts, and had a great time. John Huettemann had double knee surgery and Arlene Remington had foot surgery. Both are doing well.

Mary Pickett's round dance class is enjoying new steps. Mary, along with Karen Kushla and Roy Gotta, will be cuing for our spring and summer dances.

As our ad indicates, we have a great lineup for our summer dances, so come on out. We have a lot of good dancing in store for you, and we'd love to see and dance with you.

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## NYC's Times Squares 2014 Dances

### Club Night Dances – Tuesdays 7:30-9:30 PM (MS/PL and A/C tips)

5/6 Nick Martellacci (PS 3)	7/15 Roy Leber (CAP 21)
5/13 Todd Fellego (PS 3)	7/22 Betsy Gotta (CAP 21) "Xmas in July"
5/20 Daryl Murphy (PS 3)	7/29 Howard Richman (CAP 21)
5/27 Dayle Hodge (PS 3)	8/5 Todd Fellego (CAP 21)
6/3 Betsy Gotta (CAP 21)	8/12 Dayle Hodge (CAP 21) "White Party"
6/10 TBA (CAP 21)	8/19 Ken Ritucci (CAP 21)
6/17 Nick Martellacci (CAP 21)	8/26 Betsy Gotta (CAP 21)
6/24 Todd Fellego (TBA) "Pride Nite"	9/2 Howard Richman (PS 3)
7/1 Howard Richman (CAP 21)	9/9 Todd Fellego (PS 3)
7/8 TBA (CAP 21)	9/16 TBA (PS 3)

### A/C Monthly Dances – Thursdays 7:30-9:30 PM

6/12 Roy Leber (PS 3) 7/10 Daryl Murphy (CAP 21) 8/7 Daryl Murphy (CAP 21)

Summer Dances in NYC: PS 3, 490 Hudson Street; CAP 21, 18 West 18th Street

### Peel the Pumpkin – "Cast a Royal Shadow"

October 23-26 (one extra day!) Hilton Woodbridge Hotel, Iselin, NJ (new location!)

Sandra Bryant, Betsy Gotta, Bill Harrison, Dayle Hodge, Dan Koft, Tim Marriner, John Marshall, Nick Martellacci, Daryl Murphy, Chris Phillips, Howard Richman, Anne Uebelacker

Check [timessquares.org](http://timessquares.org) for exact locations and event details.

# Hix & Chix/WESTERN WHEELERS SPECIAL SUMMER SIZZLER DANCES



# 2014

June 12 Tom Miller (PA)  
Bill Harrison (MD)  
Mary Pickett on Rounds

June 26 Mark Franks (NJ)  
Mary Pickett on Rounds

July 10 Ken Ritucci (MA)  
Roy Gotta on Rounds

July 24 Betsy Gotta (NJ)  
Roy Gotta on Rounds

August 7 Jim Snyder (PA)  
Dennis Reardon (PA)  
Roy Gotta on Rounds

August 21  
Glenn Matthew (DE)  
Mary Pickett on Rounds

Thursday 8-10 PM  
Plus with A1 Tip  
Pre-Rounds at 7:30 then 2x2  
Raids Welcome

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

2 & 4 Thurs. Sept.-May

Hehnly School, 590 Raritan Rd. 07066

Barbara and George Kuhne: 732-548-8537

Cell for dance: 908-930-0945

Thank you to the 78 dancers who helped us celebrate our 50th anniversary. A special shout-out to Cross Trail Squares for their colorful, entertaining raid!

We thank our officers who have served us so well: presidents Barbara and George Kuhne, first vice presidents Sunny Kordower and Ed LaPlante, second vice presidents Florence Speck and Janice Uhlig, treasurer Marilyn Vice, secretary Al Kendziora (Al is also the treasurer for the NNJSDA), and NNJSDA delegates Jan and Paul Sanderson.

Y Squares lost two dear friends recently. First, Steve Lasko passed away after a long illness. Our thoughts and prayers are with his long-time dancing partner, Olga D’Arcangelis. Second, Tommy Thompson, who was a victim of 9/11, died in March. Tommy went to the World Trade Center the day after the attack to help with the clean-up, and continued to go for quite some time. As a result, he developed upper respiratory problems from which he never recovered. Tommy and Mary were also members of Country Promenaders. We will miss his effervescent personality, his smile, and his friendship, and will keep Mary in our prayers and thoughts.

In their travels in Florida this past winter, Bob and Mary Nilan danced with Norman and Barbara Kanter while attending the Florida Winter Festival in Lakeland in January. They also squared up with former Y Squares members Joe and Madeleine Ostrowski. In February, they went to a Red Bates dance in Brooksville and got together with Vin and Elaine Gracchi, who were active members of the Garden State Campers and also served as presidents of Country Promenaders. Then, in March, they caught up with Max and Nancy Nosker in Englewood. The Noskers were round dance cuers for Merri-Eights, Country Promenaders, and Bee Sharps, and did a lot of weekend programs with the late, great Dick Jones. They retired from cuing a number of years ago and look forward to celebrating their 68th anniversary in September.

We congratulate our graduating class: Carol and Ken Donhauser, Nancy Gora, George Himmel, Elaine Peterson, Kathie and Rick Poland, Jane and Roger Tenore, and Li Zhang. We look forward to seeing you all on the dance floor! Congratulations also to their teacher, Dan Koft, for putting them through their paces, and to our class coordinators, Sunny Kordower and Ed LaPlante, for doing such a good job of recruiting and keeping the class going.

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**NEW CLUB REPORTER OR AD MAKER?**

If your club’s reporter or ad maker changes, please let me know right away and I will provide the new person with guidelines and deadlines. Help the *Grand Square* team to help you by submitting articles and ads on time. Updates can be made later, if necessary, prior to publication. Just give us a call or send email. Thank you!

*Lise Greene, Editor*



## Welcome, New Graduates!



Congratulations to all the dancers who have successfully completed Mainstream lessons and are now ready to enjoy the wonderful benefits of square dancing! Kudos to our member clubs and angels, and a warm welcome to the following new dancers:

**AleMo Squares (Brooklyn)** – Jane Brose, Sunny Kim, Phyllis Petersen, Katherine Shorr, Ira Signer, Julia Wilde

**Bee Sharps** – Teri Ackerly, Mary Ann Baliewich, Joanna D’Angelo, Irwin Fishbein, Maria Keiper, Mary Ann Ledger, Rob Shallcross, Carol Troise

**Belles & Beaux** – Dot Caffrey, Linda Ernst, Patricia Lutter\*, Victoria Rapisarda\*, Maureen SantaMaria\* [\*completed Basic program at RockylandRockytops]

**Circle Eights** – Barbara Angerer, Richard Angerer, Edward Gordon, Fran Gordon, Katherine Papapetrou, Karen Patti, Gale Peters, Demi Ramos, Tara Ramos, John Siller, Theodore Van Poznak

**Hunterdon Flutterwheels** – Jean Agostinelli, Jeff Bell, Brian Blasic, Kim Blasic, Ed Gagne, Duncan Knobloch, Gail Knobloch, Eileen Levin, Joseph Levin, Jim McGovern, Lorraine McGovern, Elaine Niemann, Alexander Rapkin, Harry Rapkin, Laurie Rapkin, Jim Rice, Donna Tibbetts, Karla Waid

**Kittatinnny Rangers** – Marie Decker, Alma Dole, Dick Dole, JiJi John, John Sugar, Valentino

**Lakeland Squares** – Cheryl Kincaid, Bill Le Claire, Louise Le Claire, Dolores Lynch, Arthur Sakelakos

**Middletown Ramblers** – Eric Beck, Lori Beck, Leo Christofili, Marty Christofili, Walter Cuje, Lisa Kelly, Libby Markowitz, Dave Wilson

**Reelers** – Rose Cemprola, Steve Chlopik, Barb Cook, Steve Cook, Joseph Frey, Lynn Gannet, Jo Owen, Celeste Stracco, Gene Stracco, Bob Turner

**Rutgers Promenaders** – Harris Bierstein, Matiea Bierstein, Daniel Boehm, Joy Boehm, Ron Boehm, Tim Gibson, Tracy Gibson, Lois Hatolski, Michael Hatolski, Alicia Lewis, Jonah Leibowitz, Anne Maberry, Rosalie McCartney, Paul Nahody, Li Zhang

**Times Squares** – Jose Acevedo, Janet Calkins, Miguel Concepcion, Amy Fishman, Archie Mortera, Mike Neiderfer, Ira Signer, Candace Sorman, Robert Weisman, Julia Wilde

**Y Squares** – Carol Donhauser, Ken Donhauser, Nancy Gora, George Himmel, Elaine Petersen, Kathie Poland, Rick Poland, Jane Tenore, Roger Tenore, Li Zhang

### **Congratulations also to the following Times Squares C1 graduates:**

Norman Cohen, Mark Doyaga, Margie Esposito-Pratt, Bill Freeman, Emad Heikal, Ken Herskovitz, Warren Livesley, Kim Norland, Larry Petterson, Bruce Smith, George Voorhis

### **HALF-PRICE COUPON FOR NEW MAINSTREAM GRADUATES**

All graduates of NNJSDA Mainstream classes receive a coupon entitling them to dance for **half price** at all regular Association dances for one year following graduation. The coupon must be presented to the NNJSDA treasurer. Please encourage your grads to attend dances with you – it’s a great way for them to meet other people, improve their dancing ability, and develop confidence!

## Calendar of Advertised Dance Events

Listing of dance events prepared from *ads appearing in this issue*. See ads for details. All dances are in New Jersey unless otherwise noted. Abbreviations: A = Advanced; B = Basic; C = Challenge; MS = Mainstream; PL = Plus; RD = Rounds; TBA = To Be Announced; *italics* = student level MS, barn dance, intro dance; / = equal time; , = programs of differing length; - = one or two tips only.

Date	Club	Caller/Cuer	Location	Program
<b>MAY</b>				
2	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Richman	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Foote	Leonardo	PL/RD
	Reelers	Franks/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
	RocklandRockytops	Gittelman	W. Nyack, NY	PL-A tip
3	<b>NNJSDA Dance</b>	<b>Williamson, H./D.</b>	<b>Bridgewater</b>	<b>MS/PL/RD</b>
4	FAD Squares	Foote	Maywood	MS-PL tips
	Rutgers Promenaders	Koft/Koft	Somerset	MS/RD
6	Lakeland Squares	Gittelman	Mountain Lakes	MS/PL
	Times Squares	Martellacci	New York, NY	MS/PL-A/C tips
7	Belles & Beaux	Wadel	Elmwood Park	MS-PL tip
	Mountain Squares	Landi	Whippany	A2
8	Y Squares	Tapper/Pickett	Clark	MS/RD-PL tip
9	Bee Sharps	Matthew/Pickett	Bound Brook	MS/PL/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	Koft	Andover	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Gotta/Gotta	Leonardo	PL/RD
	RocklandRockytops	Ingis	W. Nyack, NY	MS-PL tip
13	Lakeland Squares	Reardon	Mountain Lakes	MS/PL
	Times Squares	Felleggy	New York, NY	MS/PL-A/C tips
14	Cross Trail Squares	Gittelman	Caldwell	MS/PL
16	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Kerns	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Matthew	Leonardo	PL/RD
	Reelers	Snyder/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
17	M R Square Dance	Koft/Koft	Ewing	MS/PL/RD
18	FAD Squares	Gittelman	Maywood	MS-PL tips
	Motiv8ors	Clasper	Fair Lawn	A2/C1
	Rutgers Promenaders	Koft/Koft	Somerset	MS/RD
20	Lakeland Squares	Martellacci	Mountain Lakes	MS/PL
	Times Squares	Murphy	New York, NY	MS/PL-A/C tips
21	AleMo Squares	Coy	Brooklyn, NY	MS/PL
	Belles & Beaux	Gittelman	Elmwood Park	MS-PL tip
22	Y Squares	Gotta/Gotta	Clark	MS/RD-PL tip
23	Bee Sharps	Tapper/Bradt	Bound Brook	MS/PL/RD
	Circle Eights	Leber	Elmwood Park	MS-PL tip
	Kittatinny Rangers	Richman	Andover	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Gittelman	Leonardo	PL/RD
27	Lakeland Squares	Richman	Mountain Lakes	MS/PL
	Times Squares	Hodge	New York, NY	MS/PL-A/C tips
28	Cross Trail Squares	Ritucci	Caldwell	MS/PL
	Mountain Squares	Landi	Whippany	A2
30	Middletown Ramblers	Koft	Leonardo	PL (Student)/RD
<b>JUNE</b>				
1	FAD Squares	Ingis	Maywood	MS-PL tips
	Motiv8ors	Leber	Fair Lawn	A2/C1
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas and Kofts	Somerset	MS/RD
3	Lakeland Squares	S. Ingis	Mountain Lakes	MS/PL
	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL-A/C tips

**JUNE (continued)**

4	Belles & Beaux Mountain Squares	Ingis Landi	Elmwood Park Whippany	MS-PL tip A2
6	Hunterdon Flutterwheels Middletown Ramblers Reelers RocklandRockytops	Snyder Ingis Tapper/Pickett Murphy	Flemington Leonardo Randolph W. Nyack, NY	MS/PL PL/RD MS/RD-PL tips PL-A tip
7	<b>NNJSDA Dance</b>	<b>McGovern/Torti</b>	<b>Bridgewater</b>	<b>MS/PL/RD</b>
10	Lakeland Squares Times Squares	Martellacci TBA	Mountain Lakes New York, NY	MS/PL MS/PL-A/C tips
11	AleMo Squares Cross Trail Squares	Coy Applegate	Brooklyn, NY Caldwell	MS/PL MS/PL
12	Times Squares Western Wheelers/H&C	Leber Miller, Harrison/Pickett	New York, NY Elmwood Park	A/C PL/RD-A1 tip
13	Middletown Ramblers RocklandRockytops	Adams Martellacci	Leonardo W. Nyack, NY	PL/RD MS-PL tip
14	Five Clubs	Matthew/Rumble	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
15	Motiv8ors	Moger	Fair Lawn	A2/C1
17	Lakeland Squares Times Squares	Gotta Martellacci	Mountain Lakes New York, NY	MS/PL MS/PL-A/C tips
18	Belles & Beaux	Landi	Elmwood Park	MS-PL tip
20	Middletown Ramblers	Reardon	Leonardo	PL/RD
24	Lakeland Squares Times Squares	Richman Fellegy	Mountain Lakes New York, NY	MS/PL MS/PL-A/C tips
26	Western Wheelers/H&C	Franks/Pickett	Elmwood Park	PL/RD-A1 tip
27	Circle Eights	Snyder	Elmwood Park	MS-PL tip
28	Five Clubs	Richman/Bradt	Springfield	MS/PL/RD

**JULY**

1	Times Squares	Richman	New York, NY	MS/PL-A/C tips
2	Belles & Beaux	Mager	Elmwood Park	MS-PL tip
6	FAD Squares	Richman	Maywood	MS-PL tips
8	Lakeland Squares Times Squares	Martellacci TBA	Mountain Lakes New York, NY	MS/PL MS/PL-A/C tips
9	<b>NNJSDA Special</b>	<b>Coy/Coy</b>	<b>Caldwell</b>	<b>MS/Line</b>
10	Times Squares Western Wheelers/H&C	Murphy Ritucci/Gotta	New York, NY Elmwood Park	A/C PL/RD-A1 tip
11	Middletown Ramblers RocklandRockytops	Landi Gotta	Leonardo W. Nyack, NY	PL/RD <i>Intro</i> , MS
12	Five Clubs	Ingis/Bradt	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
15	Lakeland Squares Times Squares	Gotta Leber	Mountain Lakes New York, NY	MS/PL MS/PL-A/C tips
16	Belles & Beaux	Franks	Elmwood Park	MS-PL tip
18	<i>Middletown Ramblers</i> RocklandRockytops	<i>Koft</i> Ingis	<i>Leonardo</i> W. Nyack, NY	<i>Barn Dance</i> PL-A tip
20	FAD Squares Motiv8ors	Applegate Ritucci	Maywood Fair Lawn	MS-PL tips A2/C1
22	Lakeland Squares Times Squares	Coy Gotta	Mountain Lakes New York, NY	MS/PL MS/PL-A/C tips
23	<b>NNJSDA Special</b>	<b>Koft/Pickett</b>	<b>Caldwell</b>	<b>MS/RD</b>
24	Western Wheelers/H&C	Gotta/Gotta	Elmwood Park	PL/RD-A1 tip
25	Middletown Ramblers	Applegate	Leonardo	PL/RD
26	Five Clubs	Williamson/Williamson	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
	M R Square Dance	Koft/Koft	Lawrenceville	MS/PL/RD
29	<i>Lakeland Squares</i> Times Squares	<i>Richman</i> Richman	<i>Mountain Lakes</i> New York, NY	<i>Barn Dance</i> MS/PL-A/C tips



**AUGUST**

1	Middletown Ramblers	Richman	Leonardo	PL/RD
2	<b>NNJSDA Dance</b>	<b>Larsen/Torti</b>	<b>Bridgewater</b>	<b>MS/PL/RD</b>
3	FAD Squares	Ingis	Maywood	MS-PL tips
5	Times Squares	Felleggy	New York, NY	MS/PL-A/C tips
6	Belles & Beaux	Koft	Elmwood Park	MS-PL tip
7	Times Squares	Murphy	New York, NY	A/C
	Western Wheelers/H&C	Reardon, Snyder/ Gotta	Elmwood Park	PL/RD-A1 tip
8	Middletown Ramblers	Snyder	Leonardo	PL/RD
	RocklandRockytops	Richman	W. Nyack, NY	<i>Intro/MS</i>
9	Five Clubs	Landi/Kushla	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
	M R Square Dance	Koft/Koft	Lawrenceville	MS/PL/RD
10	Motiv8ors	Murphy	Fair Lawn	A2/C1
12	Times Squares	Hodge	New York, NY	MS/PL-A/C tips
13	<b>NNJSDA Special</b>	<b>Shipman/Gotta</b>	<b>Caldwell</b>	<b>MS/RD</b>
15	Middletown Ramblers	Goss	Leonardo	PL/RD
	RocklandRockytops	Corey	W. Nyack, NY	PL-A tip
17	FAD Squares	Leber	Maywood	MS-PL tips
19	Times Squares	Ritucci	New York, NY	MS/PL-A/C tips
20	Belles & Beaux	Bachelder	Elmwood Park	MS-PL tip
21	Western Wheelers/H&C	Matthew/Pickett	Elmwood Park	PL/RD-A1 tip
22	<i>Middletown Ramblers</i>	<i>Ingis</i>	<i>Leonardo</i>	<i>Barn Dance</i>
23	Five Clubs	Franks/Pickett	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
24	Motiv8ors	Rubright	Fair Lawn	A2/C1
26	<i>Lakeland Squares</i>	<i>Richman</i>	<i>Mountain Lakes</i>	<i>Barn Dance</i>
	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL-A/C tips
27	<i>Belles &amp; Beaux</i>	<i>Wadel</i>	<i>Elmwood Park</i>	<i>Beginner Dance</i>

**SEPTEMBER**

2	Times Squares	Richman	New York, NY	MS/PL-A/C tips
3	Belles & Beaux	Applegate	Elmwood Park	MS-PL tip
5	Middletown Ramblers	Applegate	Leonardo	PL/RD
	RocklandRockytops	Franks	W. Nyack, NY	PL-A tip
6	<b>NNJSDA Dance</b>	<b>Forbes/Pickett</b>	<b>Bridgewater</b>	<b>MS/PL/RD</b>
7	FAD Squares	TBA	Maywood	MS-PL tips
	Motiv8ors	Ritucci	Fair Lawn	A2/C1
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas or Kofts	Somerset	MS/RD
9	Lakeland Squares	Leber	Mountain Lakes	MS/PL
	Times Squares	Felleggy	New York, NY	MS/PL-A/C tips
10	Cross Trail Squares	Bachelder	Caldwell	MS/PL
11	Y Squares	Koft/Pickett	Clark	MS/RD-PL tip
12	Bee Sharps	Richman/Rumble	Bound Brook	PL/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	Applegate	Andover	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Landi	Leonardo	PL/RD
	RocklandRockytops	P. and S. Ingis	W. Nyack, NY	MS-PL tip
14	Motiv8ors	Hodge	Fair Lawn	A2/C1
16	Lakeland Squares	C. and G. Hardy	Mountain Lakes	MS/PL
	Times Squares	TBA	New York, NY	MS/PL-A/C tips
17	AleMo Squares	Coy	Brooklyn, NY	MS/PL
	Belles & Beaux	C. and G. Hardy	Elmwood Park	MS-PL tip
	Mountain Squares	Landi	Whippany	A2
19	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	C. and G. Hardy	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Franks	Leonardo	PL/RD
	Reelers	Snyder/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
	<i>RocklandRockytops</i>	<i>Ingis</i>	<i>New City, NY</i>	<i>Intro Dance</i>

**SEPTEMBER (continued)**

20	M R Square Dance	Koft/Koft	Ewing	MS/PL/RD
21	FAD Squares	Richman	Maywood	MS-PL tips
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas or Kofts	Somerset	MS/RD
23	Lakeland Squares	Moody	Mountain Lakes	MS/PL
24	Cross Trail Squares	Ingis	Caldwell	MS/PL
25	Y Squares	Franks/Pickett	Clark	MS/RD-PL tip
26	Bee Sharps	Matthew/Bradt	Bound Brook	PL/RD
	Circle Eights	Reardon	Elmwood Park	MS-PL tip
	Kittatinny Rangers	Leber	Andover	MS/PL
	<i>Middletown Ramblers</i>	<i>Applegate</i>	<i>Lincroft</i>	<i>Open House</i>
28	<i>FAD Squares</i>	<i>Applegate</i>	<i>Maywood</i>	<i>Barn Dance</i>
30	<i>Lakeland Squares</i>	<i>Richman</i>	<i>Mountain Lakes</i>	<i>Barn Dance</i>

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

**2014**

5/6	Lakeland Anniv.	Gittelman	Mountain Lakes	MS/PL
5/16-18	GS Campers	Coy	Pennsylvania	MS/PL
5/17	Mystery Bus Raid	??	??	MS/PL
5/23-26	Cherry Ridge	Gotta, Hodge/Gotta	Pennsylvania	PL/A/RD
5/23-26	Memorial Weekend	Bachelder/S.-Arsenault	Maine	MS/PL/RD
5/31	Four Seasons	Multiple Callers/Cuers	Whiting	MS/PL/A/RD
6/1	Rutgers 60th Anniv.	Gotta, Koft/Gotta, Koft	Somerset	MS/RD
6/7	<b>NNJSDA</b>	<b>McGovern/Torti</b>	<b>Bridgewater</b>	<b>MS/PL/RD</b>
6/13-15	Cherry Ridge A2	Harrison, Miller	Pennsylvania	A2
6/13-15	GS Campers	Snyder	Pennsylvania	MS/PL
6/25-28	National Conv.	Multiple Callers/Cuers	Arkansas	All Programs
6/27-29	Plus Weekend	Bachelder/Wall	Vermont	PL/RD
7/9	<b>NNJSDA Special</b>	<b>Coy/Coy</b>	<b>Caldwell</b>	<b>MS/Line</b>
7/11-13	GS Campers	Snyder	Pennsylvania	MS/PL
7/23	<b>NNJSDA Special</b>	<b>Koft/Pickett</b>	<b>Caldwell</b>	<b>MS/RD</b>
7/27	Mid-Summer Mania	Multiple Callers	Bridgewater	MS
7/27-8/1	Cherry Ridge A2	Rubright, Stevens	Pennsylvania	A2
8/2	<b>NNJSDA Dance</b>	<b>Larsen/Torti</b>	<b>Bridgewater</b>	<b>MS/PL/RD</b>
8/3-10	Alaskan SD Cruise	Bachelder, Byars/Byars	Washington	TBA/RD
8/8-10	GS Campers	Franks	Pennsylvania	MS/PL
8/13	<b>NNJSDA Special</b>	<b>Shipman/Gotta</b>	<b>Caldwell</b>	<b>MS/RD</b>
8/20	Kittatinny Special	Preston	Randolph	MS/PL
8/22-24	Twirlin Campers	Bachelder/Connelly	Vermont	MS/PL/RD
8/29-9/1	Cherry Ridge	Gotta, Harrison/Gotta	Pennsylvania	PL/A/RD
9/6	<b>NNJSDA Dance</b>	<b>Forbes/Pickett</b>	<b>Bridgewater</b>	<b>MS/PL/RD</b>
9/12-14	GS Campers	Matthew	Pennsylvania	MS/PL
9/20	B&B 35th Anniv.	Applegate, McGovern	Ridgewood	MS/PL
10/3-5	GS Campers	Gotta/Gotta	Pennsylvania	MS/PL/RD
10/17-19	Tumbling Leaves	Multiple Callers/Cuers	Vermont	MS/PL/A1-2, C1-2
10/19	Bee Sharps 40th Ann.	Marriner/Pickett	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD-A2 tips
10/23-26	Peel the Pumpkin	Multiple Callers	Iselin	M/P/A1-2, C1-4
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### Squares and Rounds at a Dance: It's All in the Timing

Did you know that a typical square dance has the same number of tips, regardless of whether or not round dancing is offered? According to our callers, they need about seven or eight minutes to rest their voices between tips. Whether dancers use those minutes for socializing or round dancing or another type of dancing, the amount of square dance time is not affected.

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

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

*Jan Thompson*

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### MAINSTREAM

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

FAD Squares                      1, 3 All Year  
*jvanrensalier@gmail.com*  
 Rutgers Promenaders            1, 3 Sept.-June  
*president@rutgerspromenaders.org*

**Wednesday**

Belles & Beaux                      1, 3 All Year  
*squaredancing123@gmail.com*

**Thursday**

Y Squares                              2, 4 Sept.-May  
*bkuhne@optonline.net*

**Friday**

Circle Eights                              4 Sept.-June  
*rosemarydunton@gmail.com*  
 RocklandRockytops            2 All Year  
*jlisak9845@aol.com*

### PLUS

**Thursday**

W. Wheelers/Hix & Chix    Various Jun-Aug.  
*rgflandera@gmail.com*

**Friday**

Bee Sharps                              2, 4 Sept.-April  
*curtis.kraut@gmail.com*  
 Middletown Ramblers    Every Wk. All Year  
*byackel@verizon.net*  
 Reelers                                      1, 3 Sept.-June  
*midwifehel@aol.com*  
 RocklandRockytops            1 Oct.-June  
*jlisak9845@aol.com*                      3 July-Aug.

**Saturday**

W. Wheelers/Hix & Chix    2, 4 Sept.-May  
*rgflandera@gmail.com*

### ALT. MAINSTREAM/PLUS

**Tuesday**                      **Weeks of the Month**

Lakeland Squares            1, 2, 3, 4 Sept.-July  
*lakelandsquares@hotmail.com*

**Wednesday**

AleMo Squares                      Various Sept.-June  
*alemodancer@yahoo.com*  
 Cross Trail Squares            2, 4, 5 Sept.-June  
*joepgerish@aol.com*

**Friday**

Bee Sharps                              2, 4 April-May  
*curtis.kraut@gmail.com*  
 Hunterdon Flutterwheels    1, 3 Sept.-June  
*gonzales.tomas1@gmail.com*  
 Kittatinny Rangers            2, 4 Sept.-May  
*maryandpaul43@gmail.com*

**Saturday**

Five Clubs                              2, 4 June-Aug.  
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Motiv8ors (C1, A2)            Various All Year  
*charartist@aol.com*

**Tuesday**

Hi Taws (C2, C1)                      Various All Year  
*bbeck123@aol.com*

**Wednesday**

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