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Georgia State Square Dancers Association, Inc. (GSSDA)



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A Note from the GSSDA President



As I review the impressive list of members on the GSSDA Board I am amazed at the qualifications and experience found here. I don't know anyone well enough to list all of their qualifications, but I will tell you what I do know. First, we have 21 members on the Board, 11 women and 10 men. That's a great balance. Of those 21 members we have 9 square dance Club Presidents, 4 Club Callers representing 8 different clubs in Georgia and having over 130 years of combined experience as square dance callers, at least 8 either current or previous business owners, 13 current or previous club officers and 2 National Executive Committee Chairmen! I must wonder how many organizations of strictly volunteers can boast of members with this extensive experience to govern a statewide organization! What an honor it is for me to be a part of this group.

Our 2025 GSSDA State Convention held in Gainesville, GA at the Gainesville Civic Center was a financial success and certainly by all accounts a success in every other way that it can be measured. We had over 300 attendees at the convention, 13 individual clubs which participated in the Showcase of Clubs where the participating clubs had table displays showing all the aspects of their clubs for us to see and entice us to visit. There were 20 of the 23 Georgia clubs that participated in the Grand March and 125 people who ate together at our "***Dinner with the Dance Leaders***". We also had 30 Dance Leaders leading dances in the various dance halls at the Civic Center.

Next year's 2026 GSSDA Georgia State Convention will be held at the Dalton Convention Center in Dalton, GA, November 13 & 14 with the Trail End Dance being held November 12th at the Salem Baptist Church, 1448 Pleasant Grove Dr. NE, Dalton, GA 30721. The 2026 Convention will feature a Caller School, organized and presented by Paul Henze, a distinguished board member of GSSDA and one of the few certified Caller Coaches in the country. We are seeking candidates for essential Georgia Caller positions to serve our various clubs throughout the state.

One focus for the next two years will be teaching dancers to dance in both positions of the squares. For several years we have had more lady dancers than men dancers and we hope to fill our squares with everyone who has come to dance. If anyone is interested in more information in this program which I'm calling ***Ladies First*** we have classes starting January 11th at the Cherokee Recreation Center on Highway 20 in Canton, GA. Classes will be held from 2-4PM every Sunday afternoon conducted by none other than another GSSDA Board Member and Georgia Square Dance Caller, Danny Weeks. For more information call or email me at 678-523-1376 or karenwbyrd@gmail.com.

Karen Byrd, GSSDA President

2026 Georgia State Officers

In November 2025, the GSSDA Board elected the following 2026 officers:

President: Karen Byrd

Vice President: Don VonMinden

Secretary: Laura Roberts

Corresponding Secretary: JoAnne Johnson

Treasurer: Raiford Peacock

We want to thank Betsey Tate for serving as Treasurer; JoAnne Johnson for serving as Secretary; Karen Kight for serving as Corresponding Secretary; Karen Byrd for serving as Vice President; and Raiford Peacock for serving as President for 2024 – 2025.



Herman Turner is a member of the Paulding Pioneers Square Dance Club. Herman not only handcrafted this flag made of spent shot gun shells and donated to the GSSDA but spent many hours at many community events selling raffle tickets. The winning ticket was purchased by Bob Igavashi of Villa Rica GA at the Southern Devil Harley-Davidson, Cartersville GA event in August.

GA State Square Dancers Association

Winter Dance

Saturday, January 10th

7-9PM

Callers - Paul Henze,
and
Danny Weeks

Rounds - Aneesa Barge

Admission \$10



Living Stone Church
545 Lorene Dr SW
Marietta GA 30060

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Dalton, GA 30720

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Preserving Tradition and Community Through Dance

An In-Depth Look at Georgia’s Statewide Square Dance Organization

Introduction

Square dancing, with its lively music and intricate patterns, has been an essential part of American social life for centuries. In Georgia, this tradition is kept alive, nurtured, and celebrated by the Georgia State Square Dancers Association (GSSDA). The GSSDA stands as a cornerstone of the square dance community, connecting dancers, clubs, and enthusiasts across the state. This document provides a comprehensive exploration of the Georgia State Square Dancers Association—its mission, history, structure, activities, and its lasting impact on both the square dance tradition and the broader community.

Origins and Mission

The Georgia State Square Dancers Association was founded to unify the many square dance clubs and groups that thrive throughout Georgia. Its mission centers on promoting square dancing as an enjoyable, healthful, and sociable activity. The Association seeks to preserve the unique heritage of square dancing, ensure its continuity, and introduce new generations to the joys of dance.

The GSSDA’s objectives include:

- Promoting square and round dancing statewide

- Supporting local dance clubs with resources and guidance
- Organizing events and festivals to foster a vibrant dance community
- Educating the public on the history and benefits of square dancing
- Providing training and support for callers and dance leaders
- Facilitating communication among dancers, clubs, and regional associations

Historical Context

Square dancing has deep roots in American history, blending influences from English, Irish, and French folk dances. In Georgia, square dancing surged in popularity during the early and mid-20th century, becoming a favorite pastime in both rural and urban communities. The founding of the GSSDA provided structure and a unified voice, ensuring the sustainability of square dancing as cultural changes swept across the state.

The organization was established during a period when interest in folk traditions was at a high. By the 1960s and 1970s, square dancing enjoyed a renaissance, with clubs forming in cities, towns, and schools. The GSSDA became the central hub, coordinating activities,

standardizing dance protocols, and serving as a network for information and camaraderie.

Organizational Structure

The Georgia State Square Dancers Association operates as a non-profit, volunteer-driven organization. Leadership typically consists of a board of directors, including positions such as president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and various committee chairs. These volunteers are often passionate dancers themselves, bringing firsthand experience and enthusiasm to their roles.

The GSSDA acts as an umbrella for local clubs, each maintaining its own traditions and membership while benefiting from the resources and advocacy of the state association. Regional representatives ensure that the voices of all clubs, both large and small, are heard.

Membership

Membership in GSSDA is open to anyone interested in square dancing—dancers, callers, cuers, and supporters. Clubs affiliate with the Association to gain access to events, educational materials, and promotional support. Individual memberships often come with newsletters, voting privileges at annual meetings, and opportunities to participate in statewide events.

Activities and Events

The heart of the GSSDA's work lies in its rich calendar of events and activities designed to engage, educate, and entertain members. These include:

- **Annual State Conventions:** The highlight of the year, conventions bring together dancers from across Georgia (and often neighboring states) for a weekend of dance, workshops, and socializing. These events feature guest callers, theme dances, and special showcases for youth and advanced dancers.
- **Workshops and Clinics:** To ensure the highest quality dancing and calling, the Association organizes workshops for both beginners and experienced participants. These sessions cover dance etiquette, caller training, choreography, and musicality.
- **Club Dances:** Throughout the year, affiliated clubs host regular dances, open to GSSDA members and guests. The Association helps publicize these events and sometimes coordinates multi-club dances to strengthen statewide ties.
- **Special Events:** Themed dances—such as holiday hoedowns, costume balls, and charity fundraisers—add variety and excitement to the calendar.

- **Youth Programs:** Recognizing the importance of passing traditions to new generations, the GSSDA supports youth square dance initiatives, including classes, competitions, and scholarships.

Preserving Tradition and Fostering Innovation

While honoring the rich traditions of square dancing, the GSSDA is also committed to innovation. Modern square dance incorporates contemporary music, creative choreography, and diverse cultural influences, making it accessible and appealing to today’s audiences. The Association encourages clubs to experiment with new formats, from high-energy “blast” classes to inclusive dances welcoming people of all ages and backgrounds.

Caller Training and Development

Callers are essential to the square dance experience, providing instructions and infusing dances with personality. The GSSDA invests in developing skilled callers through mentorship programs, workshops, and partnerships with national caller associations. By doing so, they ensure that every dance is led with clarity, creativity, and fun.

Community Engagement and Outreach

The Georgia State Square Dancers Association is more than just a dance organization—it’s a community builder.

Through outreach programs and public demonstrations, the GSSDA introduces square dancing to schools, community centers, senior living facilities, and public festivals. These efforts break down barriers and demonstrate the joys of square dancing to new and diverse audiences.

The Association also partners with local businesses, tourism bureaus, and cultural organizations to promote square dancing as a family-friendly activity. Through media campaigns, public service announcements, and social media presence, they maintain visibility and relevance in a fast-changing world.

Health Benefits and Social Connections

Square dancing is widely recognized for its physical, mental, and emotional benefits. It’s a low-impact aerobic activity that enhances coordination, balance, and cardiovascular health. The teamwork and cooperation required build lasting friendships and strengthen community ties. The GSSDA emphasizes these benefits in its promotional materials, attracting participants from all walks of life.

Challenges and the Path Forward

Like many traditional arts, square dancing faces challenges in the modern era. Changes in leisure activities, digital distractions, and shifting demographics require creative solutions. The GSSDA

addresses these issues by embracing technology—offering online resources, virtual workshops, and digital newsletters. They also adapt recruitment strategies to reach younger audiences and underrepresented groups.

COVID-19 posed unique obstacles, but the Association responded with virtual dance sessions, outdoor events, and safety protocols. As life returns to normal, the GSSDA continues to innovate, ensuring the safety and enjoyment of all members.

National and Regional Connections

The Georgia State Square Dancers Association actively collaborates with regional and national organizations, such as the American Square Dance Society and similar groups in neighboring states. These partnerships enable the exchange of ideas, sharing of resources, and participation in national conventions, keeping Georgia's dance community connected to the broader square dance movement.

How to Get Involved

Aspiring dancers and curious newcomers are always welcome at GSSDA events. The Association's website and social media pages provide up-to-date information on upcoming dances, classes, and conventions. Most clubs offer beginner-friendly sessions, ensuring that no prior experience—or partner—is required.

Conclusion

The Georgia State Square Dancers Association stands as a vital institution preserving the spirit and joy of square dancing in Georgia. Through education, innovation, and community engagement, the GSSDA ensures that the dance floor remains a place of laughter, friendship, and cherished tradition. As it looks to the future, the Association remains committed to welcoming new members, nurturing old friendships, and celebrating the music and movement that unite generations.

Whether you are a seasoned dancer, a curious beginner, or someone seeking a meaningful and joyful community, the GSSDA opens its arms—and its dance floors—to all.

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SQUARE DANCERS ASSOCIATION



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2026 Club / Federation Membership Renewal

GEORGIA STATE SQUARE DANCERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Membership Renewal & Information Update

Club or Federation/Association

Office use: _____

Date of this information: _____

Name of Organization: _____

Email Address for preferred club contact: _____ Phone: _____

Dance Location: _____ On-Site phone: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Club Website: _____ Club Facebook Page: _____

Dance Days: _____ Dance Times: _____

Club's Dance: (Check all that apply) SSD _____ Basic _____ MS _____ Plus _____ Rounds _____ Lines _____ Contra _____
Other: _____

Name of Club President: _____ Phone: _____

Street Address of Club President: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address of Club President: _____

Club Caller: _____ Cuer: _____

Other Dance Leaders: _____

Current number of members in club: _____ Not required but GSSDA would appreciate a club roster.

The above information is correct as of: _____

The 2026 annual membership for Clubs and Federations/Associations is \$30.

Please complete the application and mail to GSSDA either by email or mail. Please make checks payable to GSSDA.

Thank you for helping GSSDA keep current information.

Print, complete, scan and email to:

GSSDAPRESIDENT@gmail.com

OR

by mail to:

GSSDA

Suite 620-222

1025 Rose Creek Dr.

Woodstock, GA 30189

Questions? Call or text 678-425-4256 or Email: gssdapresident@gmail.com

Revised: 11/22/2025 5:35 PM

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Tentative Schedule

THURSDAY

Trail-in Dance 8:00-11:00pm

4 Square Dance Halls

2 Dedicated Rd Dance Halls

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

10:00am – 11:00pm

9 Halls of Dancing

***Live Band: Evening Hours**

W.L. Mills Conference Center
234 Airport Road
Gatlinburg, TN 37738

ROUNDS

Phases II-VI

Waltz - Rumba

Foxtrot - Jive

Mambo - Cha

Bolero - 2 Step

W Coast Swing

SQUARES

SSD/ Club 50 - DBD

Mainstream - Hex

Plus - Singing Calls

Advanced - Hot Hash

Challenge - Progressive

Specials

Contra

Singles Dance

Sewing Clinic

After Party

Fashion Show

Vendors

Facebook: TN Square & Round
Dance Convention

<https://www.tnsquaredance.org>

FEDERATION NEWS

HEART OF GEORGIA FEDERATION, MACON, GA

Location: Howard Community Club
5645 Forsyth Road, Macon, GA

Dance Night: 5th Friday

Dance Times: 7:00 – 9:30 pm

Dance Level: Basic, Mainstream, Plus, Rounds, and Lines

Caller: Guest Callers

Cuer: Peggy Ellington

Information: Darlene Wood 478-718-8052

Email: woodt1@att.net

METRO ATLANTA SQUARE DANCERS ASSOCIATION (MASDA), MARIETTA, GA

Location: Mountain View Community Center
3400 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta, GA 30066

Dance Nights: Various Sundays

Dance Times:

2:00 – 2:45 pm Either Advanced Squares or Early Rounds
3:00 – 5:00 pm Alternating Mainstream / Plus / Rounds

Caller: Various Local and National

Cuer: Various Local and National

Information: Contact Julie Jarrett – President: 770-354-5968

Email: See Contact page on MASDA.net

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/59876193360/>

Website: www.MASDA.net

DANCE SCHEDULE

February 22 Dave and Michelle Vieira
Advanced at 2:00 pm

April 19 Robert Ferguson
Early Rounds at 2:00 pm

2026 MASDA Season Pass



For only \$25, you can enjoy:

Annual insurance provided by the United Square Dancers of America

Admission to SIX Sunday dances, including three with national callers



Dave Vieira (FL)
February 22

Jack Pladdys (OH)
August 23

Marty Northrup (NC)
December 6

You also get three dances led by entertaining local callers:
April 19, June 7, October 18

Fill out and mail the *Footnotes* form with a check to renew membership or join.

\$25 check per person payable to MASDA
Mail form and check to: Mike and Marcia Massey
1606 Brentwood Drive
Marietta, Georgia 30062

First MASDA Dance of 2026 *DAVE & MICHELE VIEIRA*



Enjoy an afternoon of fun, lively squares and beautiful rounds from one of the world's most *entertaining and talented* calling and cueing teams.



Sunday, February 22

2 – 2:45 p.m. – Advanced

3 – 5 p.m. – Mainstream, Plus, and Rounds

Admission: Free for MASDA members; \$10 for visitors

Mountain View Community Center
3400 Sandy Plains Road
Marietta, Georgia

NORTHEAST GEORGIA FEDERATION (NEGF)

Location: Various Locations
Dance Nights: 5th Saturday
Dance Times: 7:00 – 9:00 pm
Dance Level: Mainstream/Plus alternating with Lines
Information: Angie McClure
Email: squaredancing7@gmail.com

2025 Officers:

President: Angie McClure, L-Amclure@charter.net
Vice President: Kathy Larson, kathylyndall@gmail.com
Secretary: Loma Watts, lomawatts@gmail.com
Treasurer: Connie Keener, ckeener@thesoftwaresource.com

DANCE SCHEDULE:

Time: 7:00 – 9:00 pm
Admission: \$10.00

February 1st **This dance is scheduled for Sunday, February 1st.** Mardi Gras, Gold Country Squares location: Lumpkin County Senior Center, 266 Mechanicsville Road, Dahlonega, GA. Guest Caller: Shawn Butler, Lines Leader: Linda Kennedy.

May 30th Memorial Day – Remember & Honor Dance. Silver Stars Location: Bethesda Senior Center, 225 Bethesda Church Rd, Lawrenceville GA. Callerama. Lines Leader: Randy Bradberry.

August 29th Denim & Bling, Jug Tavern Squares Location: YMCA, 50 Brad Akins Dr, Winder GA

October 31st Petticoats & Pumpkins Halloween Costume Dance. Lakeshore Squares Location: St. Paul United Methodist Church, in the Old Chapel, 404 Washington Street, Gainesville GA 30501



Northeast Georgia Federation
Presents

Shawn Butler Linda Kennedy

MARDI GRAS
Dance
SUNDAY, February 1st
Dance 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Admission \$10.00
Lumpkin County Senior Center,
266 Mechanicsville Road, Dahlonega, GA
www.negf.net

The poster features a central illustration of a colorful Mardi Gras mask with large, vibrant feathers in shades of blue, green, yellow, and red. Two circular inset photos show Shawn Butler on the left and Linda Kennedy on the right. The background is a light green and white sunburst pattern. The text is arranged in a clear, festive layout, with the event title 'MARDI GRAS Dance' in large, stylized letters.

SQUARE DANCE CLASSES

Are you planning an upcoming class? Please submit your class information president@gmail.com and we will post to the GSSDA website.



Is your Club offering a Mainstream Class?

We would like to attend your next Mainstream Class Graduation and present the new dancers with the GSSDA Handbook and information about the GSSDA dances. A *Georgia State Square Dancers Association (GSSDA)* Board Member will attend the graduation ceremony to present each graduate with a **FREE Georgia State Convention**

Pass to the Annual Georgia State Convention. We want to encourage your new members to [join you](#) at the State Convention in November. GSSDA implemented the “GSSDA Graduation Program” in 2020 and has attended many Class Graduations across the state.

The Annual Georgia State Convention has a **Relaxed Mainstream Hall** to accommodate the newer dancers and those that may want a slower pace dancing. This is the “*Fun Hall*” with all the fun Dance Leaders.

Please provide information on your upcoming Class Graduation ceremony to include the number and name of students graduating, date, time, and location. Please email information to gssdapresident@gmail.com.

We look forward to celebrating with your new dancers.

Please complete the following Graduation Form and email to gssdapresident@gmail.com

GSSDA

Class Graduation Report

Club Name: _____ Class Level: _____ Instructor: _____ Graduation Date: _____

Graduation Time: _____ Location: _____

Line #	NAME (last, first)	Email	phone	Zip Code of residence	GSSDA Office use
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Signature of Instructor or Club President: _____

Let's Dance – Plan to Visit Another Club

Sunday

- Classic City Squares - Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 780 Timothy Road, Athens, GA 30606

Monday

- Bartow Dixie Grands - Bartow County Senior Center, 33 Beavers Drive, Cartersville
- Hotlanta Squares - Briarcliff Woods Beach Club 1830 Morris Landers Dr. Atlanta 30345
- Oconee River Buckers - Walter B. Williams Rec., Highway 22, Milledgeville, GA 31061

Tuesday

- Fountain City Twirlers - Gallops Sr. Center, Columbus, GA
- Hotlanta Squares - Briarcliff Woods Beach Club 1830 Morris Landers Dr. Atlanta 30345 (Advance/C1)
- Paulding Pioneers Squares, The Events Place, 855 Hiram Douglasville Hwy, Hiram GA 30141
- Peach Country Promenaders - Rozar Park, 1060 Keith Dr., Perry GA 31069
- Sun City Squares - Pinckney Hall on Del Webb Blvd., Sun City Hilton Head Hwy 278, Bluffton, SC

Thursday

- Cherokee Promenaders - Harris Arts Center, 212 S Wall St, Piedmont St Entrance, Calhoun GA 30701
- Coastal Georgia Squares - College Place Methodist Church, 3890 Altama Ave., Brunswick, GA
- Dance "N" Rhythms SE - "Various Churches & Schools as Available"
- Pleasant Grove Promenaders - Dawnville United Methodist Church, 1409 Dawnville Road, NE, Dalton, GA 30722
- Western Square Dancers - Howard Community Club, 5645 Forsyth Road, Macon, GA

Friday

- Dance'N Squares, Silver Springs Village Clubhouse, 4515 Flowering Branch, Powder Springs, Georgia 30127
- Friday Nite Live - East Ridge Methodist Church, 1601 Prater Rd, East Ridge, TN 37412
- Gold Country Squares - Lumpkin County Senior Center, 266 Mechanicsville Rd, Dahlonega, GA
- High Mountain Squares - Robert C. Carpenter Community Building, Highway 441, Franklin, NC
- Jug Tavern Squares – YMCA, 50 Brad Akins Dr. Winder, GA
- Kennesaw Square Dealers - Ben Robertson Community Center, 2753 Watts Drive, Kennesaw GA
- Magnolia Squares - Roddenberry Memorial Library, 320 North Broad Street, Cairo, GA (Note New Location)
- Masters City Squares - Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 3185 Wheeler Rd., Augusta, GA
- Woodstock Squares - Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 2922 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta, GA 30066
- Wrecktangles Squares - East Ridge Methodist Church, 1601 Prater Rd., East Ridge, TN 37412

Saturday

- Danc'n Singles Square Dance Club - Living Stone Church, 545 Lorene Drive SW, Marietta, GA 30060
- Lads & Lassies - North Henry Baptist Church, 1093 Flat Rock Road, Stockbridge, GA
- Lakeshore Squares - Saint Paul United Methodist Church, Old Chapel Building, 404 Washington St. NW, Gainesville, GA
- Silver Stars - Bethesda Park Senior Center, 225 Bethesda Church Road SW, Lawrenceville, GA (next to Ronald Reagan Pkwy)
- Western Promenaders - Western Promenaders Barn, 327 Woods Road, Rome, GA
- Wheel Arouds Marietta - Mountain View Community Ctr., 3400 Sandy Plains Rd., Marietta, GA



Please check with clubs before attending dances.

Visitors help small clubs continue . . . plan your club visitation today!



BARTOW DIXIE GRANDS CARTERSVILLE, GA

Location: Hamilton Crossings Community Center
33 Beavers Dr., Cartersville, Ga. 30120
Dance Nights: 1st, 3rd, 5th Mondays
Dance Time: 7:30-9:30pm ET Classes when in progress 6:00pm ET
Dance Level: Mainstream/Plus – Lines between Tips
Caller: Danny Weeks – 1st Mondays plus select 5th Mondays
Caller: Clyde Couch – 3rd Mondays plus select 5th Mondays
Information: Email: bartowdixiegrands@yahoo.com
Facebook: Bartow Dixie Grands
Website: BartowDixieGrands.com

DANCE SCHEDULE

January 5	Class; “Frosty Frolic Dance” – Danny Weeks
January 12	Class Only – No Dance
January 19	Center Closed for MLK Day
January 26	Special 4 th Monday Class and “Snowball Hoedown” – Clyde Couch
February 2	1 st Monday Dance – Danny Weeks
February 9	Class Only - No Dance
February 16	Graduation Dance – Clyde Couch
March 2	1 st Monday Dance – Danny Weeks
March 9	2 nd Monday – No Class; No Dance
March 16	3 rd Monday – Center Schedule Tentative due to Election Preparation
March 23	4 th Monday – No Close, No Dance
March 30	5 th Monday – Clyde Couch

**CHEROKEE PROMENADERS
CALHOUN, GA**

Location: Harris Arts Center, 212 S Wall St, Piedmont St
Entrance, Calhoun GA 30701
Dance Nights: Thursdays (every)
Dance Times: 7:00 – 9:00 PM
Dance Levels: Mainstream/Plus/Lines
Caller: Charlie Petrea (1st and 3rd Thursdays)
Caller: Dan Campbell (2nd and 4th Thursdays)
Line Instructors: Brenda Getman (1st & 3rd Thurs)
Sandy Campbell (2nd & 4th Thurs)
Information: Laura Roberts, 706-629-2599
Email: Cherokeepromenaderscalhounga@gmail.com
Facebook: Cherokee Promenaders Calhoun GA

Upcoming Dances/Events:

January 8th Kemmer's Square Dance Extravaganza (for the public)
January 31st Winter Storm Dance, Saturday, Jan 31st, Dinner 6-7PM,
Dance 7-9:30PM – Guest Callers: Teresa Berger & Victoria
Bundy
February 12th Hearts Beat As One Dance
March 12th It's Not Easy Being Green Dance, Dance 7:30-9:30PM

Upcoming Classes/Graduation:

January 29th Mainstream Classes 6-7PM. First two lessons are free. \$7 a
week after.

Cherokee Promenaders
Winter Storm Dance

Teresa Berger
and
Victoria Bundy

Callers
Squares
Lines & Rounds

Saturday
January 31st
—
Dinner 6-7PM
Dance 7-9:30PM

Menu
Soup,
Salad,
\$ Sandwich Bar
Dessert

Harris Arts Center
Auditorium
212 S Wall Street
Calhoun, GA 30701
Use Piedmont Street
Entrance/Parking Deck
\$10 admission fee for non-club
members

CLASSIC CITY SQUARES ATHENS, GA

Location: Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
780 Timothy Road, Athens, GA 30606

Dance Nights: 2nd & 4th Sundays

Dance Times: Dance 3:30 - 5:30 pm

Dance Level: Mainstream/Plus

Caller: Bob Morrison

Cuer: Bob Morrison, when round dancers are present

Information: Kathy Larson, 317-855-0009 (voice only)

Email: kathylyndall@gmail.com

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/classiccitysquares>

DANCE SCHEDULE

January	11	Putting on the Ritz for '26
	25	Club Dance
February	8	Celebrate the 2026 Lunar New Year of the Horse
	22	Club Dance
March	8	Club Dance
	22	Special Spring Flower Child Dance with Sam Rowan calling, \$5 NEGF members, \$8 others
April	12	Mad Hatter Dance – Be Creative!
		PLUS Celebrate 53 years of Classic City Squares
	26	Club Dance

Upcoming Classes:

February 12 – May 28 – Mainstream Class

Classic City Squares presents
Special Spring Flower Child
Dance with Sam Rowan calling

\$5 NEGF members, \$8 others
March 22, 2026, 3:30-5:30 P.M.

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
780 Timothy Road, Athens GA



COASTAL GEORGIA SQUARES BRUNSWICK, GA

Location: College Place Methodist Church
3890 Altama Ave., Brunswick, GA

Dance Nights: Thursday (every week except the 3rd)

Dance Times: 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Dance Level: Mainstream/Plus and some Lines

Caller: Don Heins

Information: 912-269-1504 or 912-269-7909
(Please call Don to be sure we're dancing the evening you may want to visit.)

Email: donheins@msn.com

We dance every Thursday night other than holidays or special church events at College Place Methodist Church, 3890 Altama Ave., Brunswick, GA at 7:00 PM. Our group is small but very welcoming to visiting dancers.

DANCE'N SQUARES POWDER SPRINGS GA

Enjoy the fun without the nighttime drive!

Location: Silver Springs Village Clubhouse, 4515 Flowering Branch, Powder Springs, Georgia 30127

Dance Nights: Fridays, every week (*excluding Holidays, Inclement weather or Unforeseen Club house Closures*)

Dance Times: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm (Metro Atlanta's only **Daytime** square dance club)

Dance Level: Mainstream, Plus, some Line Dancing

Caller: Frank Anderson

Lines: Margaret Pensado

Cost: \$5.00

Information: Rachel Gordon: 770-378-2683, Michele Crawford: 404-918-7596

Email: thegordons5@gmail.com or mcrawf06@yahoo.com

Facebook: Dance'N Squares

Upcoming Lessons: Mainstream Lessons start **February 13th, 2026** (15-week class, 12:30–2:00pm)
Our lessons are Free! All are welcome!



**DANC'N SINGLES SQUARE DANCE CLUB
MARIETTA, GA**

Location: Living Stone Church
545 Lorene Drive SW, Marietta, GA 30060. Facility:
Family Center Gym (Building 6)

Dance Nights: 2nd Saturday
Dance Times: 7:30 – 9:30 PM
Dance Level: Mainstream/Plus alternating with Rounds
Caller: Charlie Petrea

Cuer: Aneesa Barge
Information: Pat Inglis – 404-932-5512
Email: pinglis@agnesscott.edu

DANCE SCHEDULE:

January 10	GSSDA Winter Dance
February 14	Valentine's Day Dance
March 14	Wearing of the Green

**FRIDAY NITE LIVE
EAST RIDGE TN**

Location: East Ridge Methodist Church, 1601 Prater Rd, East Ridge, TN 37412
Dance Nights: Fridays 2nd / 4th
Workshops: 6:30 – 7:30 pm A-1 & A-2
Dance Times: 7:30 – 8:30 pm
Dance Level: Advance
Caller: Alan Hall
Information: Patti 985-789-0611 / Marcy Hall, 423-316-9038
Email: marcyhall00@gmail.com
Facebook: Wrecktangles & Friday Nite Live

GOLD COUNTRY DAHLONEGA, GA

Location: Lumpkin County Senior Center
266 Mechanicsville Rd, Dahlonega, GA

Dance Nights: 1st & 3rd Fridays

Dance Times: 6:30 pm – Alternating Mainstream & Plus workshops
7:00 – 9:00 pm - Dance

Dance Level: Mainstream/Plus with lines

Caller: Danny Weeks

Lines: Linda Kennedy

Information: Brenda Wood, 678-230-5952
Nici Angell 706-867-6050

Email: brendaww260@gmail.com / 1welkin@windstream.net

Facebook: Gold Country Squares

Website: www.goldcountrysquares.weebly.com

January 16 Anniversary Dance
February 6 Valentines Dance
February 20 Praise and Promenade (all singing calls to gospel music) Guest caller: Dan Campbell - collecting toys for First Responders
March 6 Mardi Gras with Shrimp Boil (\$15/plate)
March 30 St Patrick's Day Dance

HIGH MOUNTAIN SQUARES FRANKLIN, NC

Location:	Robert C. Carpenter Community Building Highway 441, Franklin, NC	Dance Level:	Mainstream / Plus
Dance Nights:	1 st , 3 rd and most 5 th Fridays	Caller:	Guest Callers
Dance Times:	6:15 – 6:45 Workshop 6:45 – 8:30 Dance	Information:	
		E-Mail:	
		Facebook:	High Mountain Squares (lmason5@windstream.net)

HOTLANTA SQUARES ATLANTA, GA

Location: Briarcliff Woods Beach Club
1830 Morris Landers Dr. Atlanta 30345

Dance Nights: Mondays

Dance Times: 7:00 – 8:30 pm – SSD/Mainstream Class
8:30 – 9:30 pm – Plus Class

Dance Level: SSD, Mainstream, Plus, Advance, Challenge1

Caller: Cis Hinkle, Instructor

Dance Nights: Tuesdays

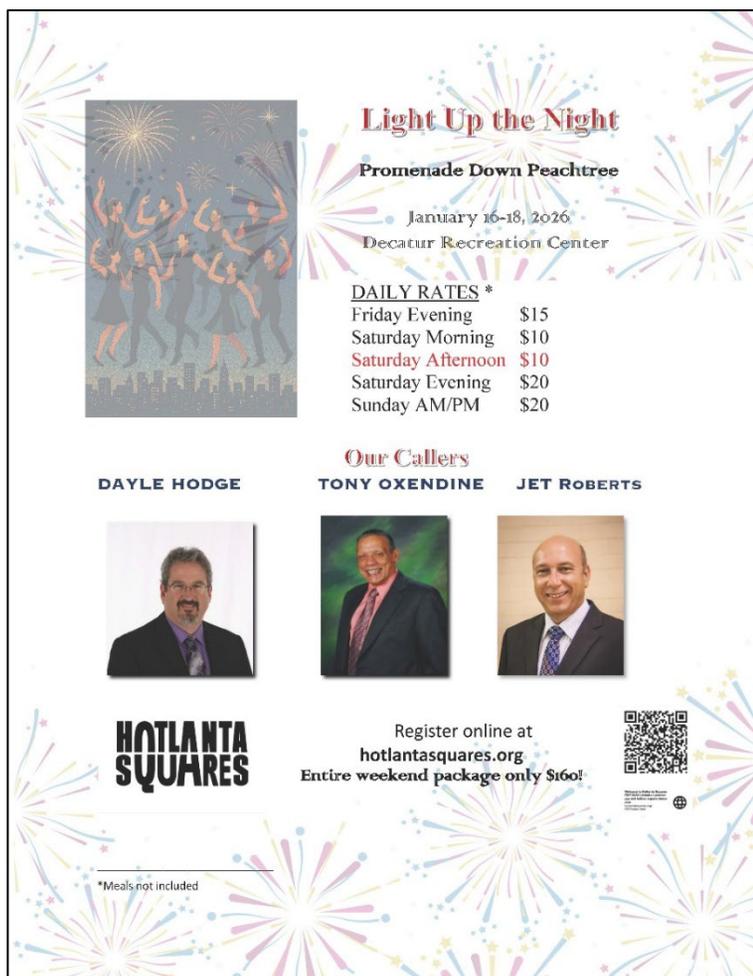
Dance Times: 7:00 – 8:15 pm – Advanced Class
8:15 – 9:30 pm – C1 Class

Caller: Ken Burke, Instructor

Information: Edmond Campbell, Secretary
Chris Johnson 678-772-9678
JC Hans, President (404) 512-9842

Email: Hotlanta.Squares@gmail.com

Facebook: Hotlanta squares (both public and private groups)



Light Up the Night
Promenade Down Peachtree
January 16-18, 2026
Decatur Recreation Center

DAILY RATES *

Friday Evening	\$15
Saturday Morning	\$10
Saturday Afternoon	\$10
Saturday Evening	\$20
Sunday AM/PM	\$20

Our Callers

DAYLE HODGE **TONY OXENDINE** **JET ROBERTS**





Register online at
hotlantasquares.org
Entire weekend package only \$160!

HOTLANTA SQUARES

*Meals not included



Cupid's Cloverleaf

Featuring guest callers:

- Dave Vieira — MS-A2
- Michele Vieira — Line Dance

Saturday, February 21, 2026
6:30 – 9:30 PM

\$10 for HS members
\$12 for guests

New venue!
Keswick Park Community Center
3496 Keswick Dr
Chamblee, GA 30341

HOTLANTA SQUARES

JUG TAVERN SQUARES WINDER, GA

Location: YMCA
50 Brad Akins Dr. Winder, GA

Dance Nights: 2nd & 4th Fridays

Dance Times: 7:00 – 8:45 pm

Dance Level: Mainstream/Plus /Lines

Caller: Steve Holzhausen

Lines: Teresa McLocklin

Information: Presidents: Sue & Leon Urban 404-580-0321 / 404-277-3120

Email: sueurban770@gmail.com, leonurban@spectrum.net

Website: www.jugtavernsquares.org

Facebook: Jug Tavern Squares

DANCE SCHEDULE:

January 9th BLACK AND WHITE DANCE, (Dress up!)

January 23rd Soup R Bowl Dance, (Soups served)

February 13th Chocolate Lover's Valentine Dance

February 27th Regular Dance/No theme

March 13th Lucky Day Dance

March 27th Atlanta Braves Day Dance

April 10th Bunny Hop-Sock Hop Dance

April 24th Arbor Day, (Tree give away)

May 8th Picnic Day Dance

May 22nd Back to the Future, 50's Dance

June 12th Surfin' U.S.A (Beach Boy Music)

July 10th Celebrate America's 250 Birthday Dance

July 24th Back the Blue Dance

August 14th Big Sombrero Dance (Mexican Attire)

August 28th No Dance / Jug Tavern Hosting the NEGF
Dance August 29th

September 11th Patriot Dance (remembering 9/11 victims and
heroes of 2001)

September 25th Harvest Moon Dance

October 9th Everything Pumpkin Dance

October 23rd Monster Mash Dance

November 13th Veterans' Appreciation Dance

November 27th No Dance, Thanksgiving week

December 11th Christmas Toys for Kids Dance (\$10 or new toy
donation)

December 25th No Dance, Merry Christmas & Happy New
Year!!

KENNESAW SQUARE DEALERS KENNESAW, GA

Location: Ben Robertson Community Center
2753 Watts Dr NW, Kennesaw, GA 30144

Dance Nights: 1st, 3rd Fridays

Dance Times: 7:00 – 9:00 pm – Dancing Mainstream/Plus
alternating Round Dance

Caller: Shawn Butler

Cuer: Aneesa Barge

Information: Contact Julie Jarrett – President: 770-354-5968

Email: officers@squaredealers.com

Facebook: facebook.com/KSDClub Kennesaw Square Dealers

Website: www.squaredealers.com

DANCE SCHEDULE

Jan 2	Happy 2026 Dance
Jan 16	Dance cancelled – hall not available
Jan 30	Julie’s Birthday Dance!
Feb 6	Dance cancelled – hall not available
Feb 20	More Valentines Dance
Mar 6	Regular Dance
Mar 20	St. Patrick’s Day Dance

CLASSES

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Kennesaw Square Dealers

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Square Dance Club

www.squaredealers.com




**Jan 2:
Happy 2026
Dance!**



**Jan 16:
Dance
Cancelled**



**Jan 30:
Julie’s 75th
Birthday!**



Feb Preview

**Feb 6th: Dance
cancelled; hall
not available**



**Feb 20th: More
Valentines Dance!**

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Mainstream/Plus/Rounds 1, 3, 5 Fridays 7:00-9:00pm

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Caller: Shawn Butler Cuer: Aneesa Barge

Ben Robertson Community Center at 2753 Watts Drive, Kennesaw, GA

Please verify dances on www.facebook.com/KSDclub




Square dance attire optional

President Julie Jarrett 770-354-5968




LADS N LASSIES STOCKBRIDGE, GA

Location: North Henry Baptist Church
1093 Flat Rock Road, Stockbridge, GA 30281

Dance Nights: 1st, 3rd Saturdays

Workshop: 6:30 pm

Dance Times: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Dance Level: Mainstream/Plus alternating with Lines/Rounds

Caller: Betsy Chamberlain and Tom Wood alternating 1st Saturdays
Steve Holzhausen 3rd Saturday

Information: Wayne Page 408-599-4919, Midge Johnson 770-235-3465

Facebook: Lads ‘n’ Lassies Square Dance Club

Upcoming Dances:

January 3 (1st Saturday)	New Year Dance - Welcome 2026
January 17 (3rd Saturday)	Regular Dance - No Theme
February 7 (1st Saturday)	Valentine Dance
February 21 (3rd Saturday)	Regular Dance - No Theme
March 7 (1st Saturday)	Mardi Gras Dance
March 21 (3rd Saturday)	Saint Patrick’s Day Dance
April 4 (1st Saturday)	Easter Bonnet Dance
April 18 (3rd Saturday)	Regular Dance - No Theme

LAKESHORE SQUARES GAINESVILLE, GA

Location: Saint Paul United Methodist Church, Old Chapel Building, 404 Washington St. NW, Gainesville, GA

Dance Nights: 1st & 3rd Saturday

Dance Times: 7:00 – 9:00 pm, 6:30 pm Workshop

Dance Level: Mainstream / Plus with Lines

Caller: Randy Ramsey

Line Instructor: Brenda Horton

Information: Louis & Angie McClure, Presidents 678-956-0287

Email: L-Amclure@charter.net

Website: www.lakeshoresquares.com

Facebook: Lakeshore Squares

Dance Schedule

January 3rd Tooty Fruity – Fruitcake Toss Day Dance

January 17th 70s' Hippie Dippie Dance

February 7th Country Valentine's Dance

February 21st Mardi Gras Dance

March 7th Lakeshore Squares Celebrates 62nd Anniversary
60's Sock Hop Dance

March 21st Hot Diggity Dog Dance – Pet Food Drive

April 4th Spring Easter Bonnet Dance

April 18th Food Pantry Cruise – Food Pantry Collection



Lakeshore Squares Dance Club
Dance Location: St. Paul United Methodist Church
404 Washington Street, Old Chapel Bldg. Gainesville, GA

Mainstream – Plus 6:30 pm Early Squares Workshop Dance 7:00 – 9:00

JANUARY 2026 DANCES

JAN 03

Tooty Fruity
Fruitcake Toss
Day



Caller: Randy Ramsey

JAN 17

70's Hippie
Dippie Dance





Dance Admission
NEGF Members: FREE
Non-NEGF Member: \$6.00

President: Louis & Angie McClure 678-956-0287
Co-Vice President: Shari Lunsford 678-936-1687
Co-Vice President: Ashley Kean



Lakeshore Squares Dance Club
Dance Location: St. Paul United Methodist Church
404 Washington Street, Old Chapel Bldg. Gainesville, GA

Mainstream – Plus 6:30 pm Early Squares Workshop Dance 7:00 – 9:00

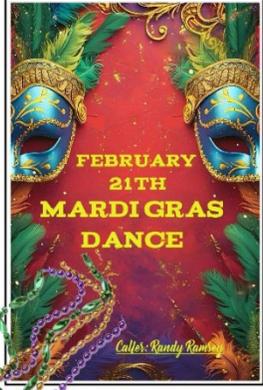
FEBRUARY 2026 DANCES

COUNTRY
VALENTINE'S DANCE

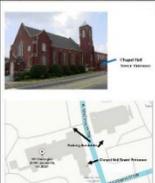
SATURDAY
07
FEBRUARY

Caller:
Randy Ramsey

FEBRUARY
21TH
MARDI GRAS
DANCE



Caller: Randy Ramsey



Dance Admission
NEGF Members: FREE
Non-NEGF Member: \$6.00

President: Louis & Angie McClure 678-956-0287
Co-Vice President: Shari Lunsford 678-936-1687
Co-Vice President: Ashley Kean
www.lakeshoresquares.com



Lakeshore Squares Dance Club
Dance Location: St. Paul United Methodist Church
404 Washington Street, Old Chapel Bldg. Gainesville, GA

Mainstream – Plus 6:30 pm Early Squares Workshop Dance 7:00 – 9:00

MARCH 2026 DANCES

Lakeshore Squares
celebrates ★ March 7th
62nd Anniversary

62nd Anniversary

Sock Hop

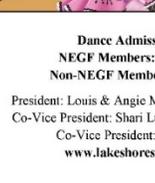
Callers: Randy Ramsey

MAR 21



Hot Diggity Dog Dance
(Hotdogs for dancers)
Pet Food Drive

Caller: Randy Ramsey



Dance Admission
NEGF Members: FREE
Non-NEGF Member: \$6.00

President: Louis & Angie McClure 678-956-0287
Co-Vice President: Shari Lunsford 678-936-1687
Co-Vice President: Ashley Kean
www.lakeshoresquares.com

**MATRIX SOUTH
HAPEVILLE GA**

Location: Tri Cities United Methodist Church, 3510 Atlanta Ave, Hapeville GA 30354
Dance Night: Sundays (every)
Dance Times: 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Dance Level: Advance
Information: Betsey Tate
Email: 404-633-5250

**OCONEE RIVER BUSKERS
MILLEDGEVILLE GA**

Location: Walter B. Williams Rec., Highway 22, Milledgeville, GA 31061
Dance Night: Monday (every)
Dance Times: 6:00 – 8:00 pm
Dance Level: MS / PL / RD / LN
Caller: Bill Jones
Cuer: Peggy Ellington
Information: Bob Irvin, 478-452-5391
Email: lgbirvin@gmail.com / gailharris52@outlook.com

**PAULDING PIONEERS SQUARES
DALLAS GA**

Location: The Events Place, 855 Hiram
Douglasville Hwy, Hiram GA 30141
Dance Night: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays
Dance Times: 6:30 – 7:30 pm Mainstream Lessons, 7:30
– 9:30 pm Dance
Dance Level: Mainstream/Plus
Caller: John Norris
Line Instructor: Melba Trapp
Information: Pam & Don VonMinden, 214-729-2110
Email: pauldingpioneers@gmail.com
Facebook: Paulding Pioneers Group

**PEACH COUNTRY PROMENADERS
PERRY GA**

Location: Rozar Park, 1060 Keith Dr., Perry GA 31069
Dance Nights: Tuesday, every
Dance Times: 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Dance Level: Mainstream, Plus, Lines
Caller: Betsy Chamberlain
Information: Jim & Cathy Meeker, 941-720-6194
Email: catjim3@aol.com

**PLEASANT GROVE PROMENADERS
DALTON GA**

Location: Dawnville United Methodist Church
1409 Dawnville Road, NE, Dalton, GA 30722
Dance Nights: Thursday, every
Dance Times: 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Dance Level: MS / PL

Caller: Paul Henze & Ray Donohoo
Information: Raymond & Debbie Roy, 706-581-7142,
ziproy@yahoo.com
Email:

SILVER STARS LAWRENCEVILLE, GA

Location: Bethesda Park Senior Center
225 Bethesda Church Road SW, Lawrenceville, GA (next to Ronald Reagan Pkwy)

Dance Nights: 2nd & 4th Saturday

Dance Times: 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Dance Level: Mainstream/Plus & Lines

Caller: Troy Grooms

Lessons: Call Jon Martin 770-736-0810

Lines: Randy & Debbie Bradberry

Information: Randy & Debbie Bradberry 770 466-8372
or Jon Martin 770-736-0810

Email: Randy.Debbie@silverstarssquaredance.com

Facebook: Silver Stars Square Dance Club

Website: <http://www.silverstarssquaredance.com>

UPCOMING DANCE/EVENTS

January 10	Pizza Party Dance
January 24	Snowflake Dance
February 14	Valentins Red Dance
February 28	Levi Strauss Day Dance
March 14	St. Patrick's Day Dance
March 28	Spring Fling – Amateur Caller Night
April 11	Baseball Night with Hotdogs
April 25	Cake Walk



SILVER ★★★★★

March 28, 2026 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Amateur Caller Night

This is “YOUR” opportunity to call at a
Square Dance
(Squares, Lines, or Rounds)

Practice and get ready to display your skill's.
Register by March 16th.
Call Troy Grooms at: 770-757-9650

Guest Callers: Volunteer Amateurs
Regular Lines by: Randy & Debbie Bradberry



Visitors: \$7:00 Per Person
NEGF Members Free

Bethesda Park Senior Center
225 Bethesda Church Rd. SW
Lawrenceville, GA
(Just off Ronald Reagan Parkway)

SILVER ★★★★★

SUN CITY SQUARES
BLUFFTON, SC

Location: Pinckney Hall on Del Webb Blvd., Sun City Hilton Head Hwy 278, Bluffton, SC
Dance Nights: Tuesday - Every
Dance Times: 6:30 – 8:00 pm - Dancing Mainstream
8:00 – 9:00 pm - Dancing Plus
Request Rounds & Lines
Dance Level: Mainstream, Plus, Rounds, Lines
Caller: Sam Rowan
Information: Ken Kiurski, 843-368-1057, kkiurski@gmail.com
Susan Joy Rowan 843-705-6745 (leave message)
Note: Gated Community – Call for gate pass

**WESTERN PROMENADERS
ROME, GA**

Location: Western Promenaders Building
327 Woods Road, Rome, GA 30165
Dance Nights: 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th Saturdays
Dance Times: 7:30-9:30 pm
Dance Level: Mainstream and Plus
Caller: Clyde Couch 2nd, 4th, 5th
Caller: Ronnie Langley 3rd
Lines: Lois Roberts 2nd, 3rd
Lines: Allie Parnell 4th, 5th
Information: Dick Lemelin 706-409-2311
Brenda Getman 770-547-8535
Email: dick.lemelin32847@yahoo.com
or brenda.getman@yahoo.com
Facebook: Western Promenaders
Website www.westernpromenaders.com

Check Facebook or Website for Updates

DANCE SCHEDULE

January 10 - Welcome to 2026 Dance
January 17 - Celebrating Benjamin Franklin's Birthday
January 24 - It's Wintertime Brrrr
January 31 - Blue Skies, Good Dancing

February 14 - Dancing - Because We Love To Dance!
February 21 - Card Reading Day Dance
February 28 - Celebrating "National Tortilla Chip" Day

March 14 - Pi Day Dance
March 21 - National Flower Day Dance
March 28 - *70th Anniversary Dance with JET ROBERTS!!!! (7:30 - 10:00)



Western Promenaders
Celebrate
70th
ANNIVERSARY

Jet Roberts

\$10.00pp
7:30-10:00ET
March 28, 2026

327 Woods Rd., NW, Rome, Ga. 30165
Contact: dkmlem29085@icloud.com; Brenda.getman@yahoo.com

**WESTERN SQUARE DANCERS
MACON, GA**

Location: Howard Community Club
5645 Forsyth Road, Macon, GA

Dance Nights: 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 5th Thursday

Dance Times: Plus Workshop 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Dance Levels: MS / PL / RD / LN

Caller: Tom Wood

Cuer: Peggy Ellington

Information: Tom & Darlene Wood 478-718-8052

Email: woodtl@att.net

WOODSTOCK SQUARES WOODSTOCK GA

Location: Holy Trinity Lutheran Church,
2922 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta, GA 30066

Dance Nights: 2nd and 4th Fridays

Dance Times: 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Dance Levels: Mainstream & Plus

Caller: Danny Weeks

Information: Randal Talton 678-471-2690
Ann Talton 770-856-0021

Email: Randal.sqdance@yahoo.com

Facebook: Woodstock Squares

Website: www.woodstocksquares.com

Upcoming Dances/Events:

January 9th Winter Moon Dance9

January 23rd Guest Caller Dance – Tim Tyl

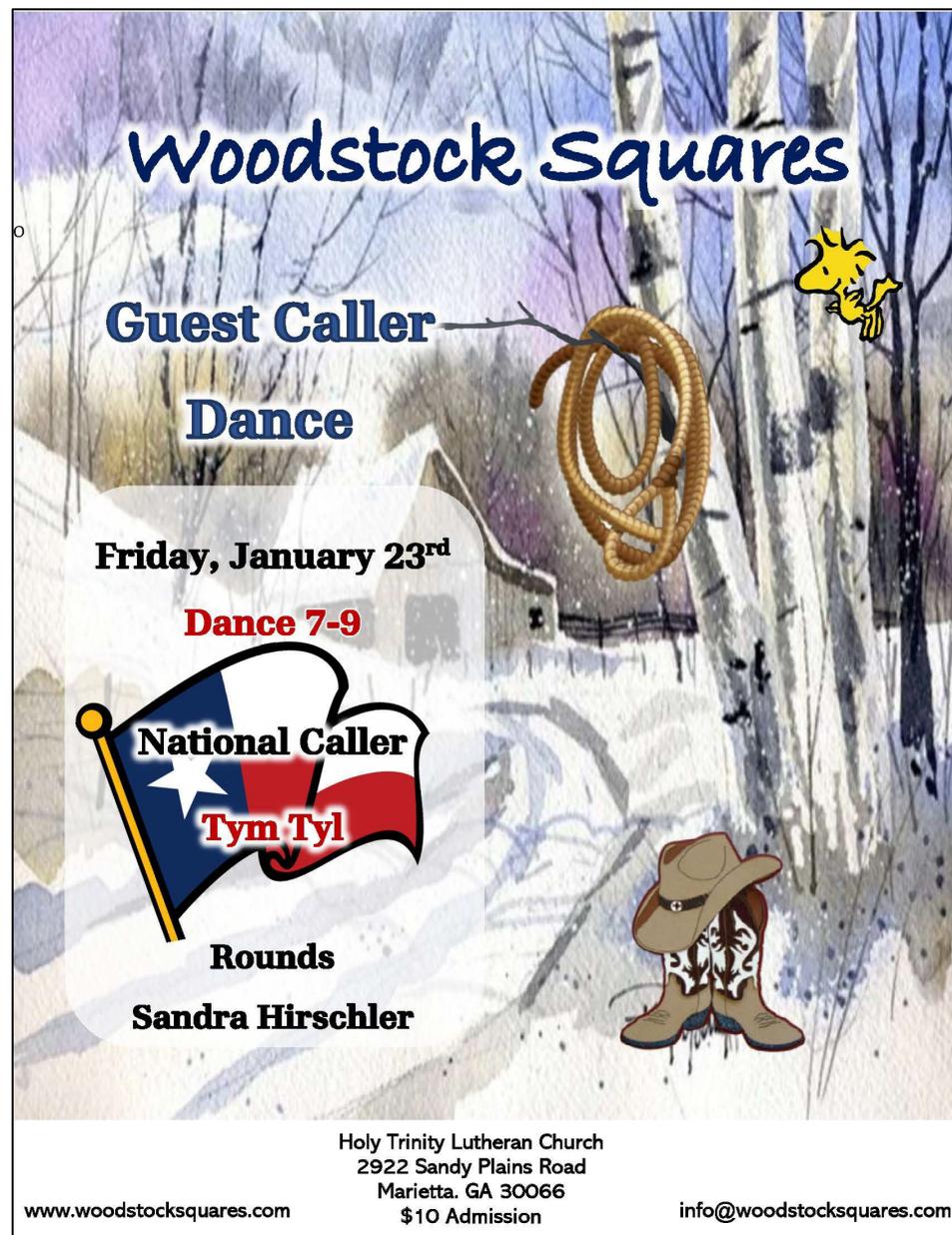
February 13th Lover's Lane Dance

February 20th Mardi Gras Dance

March 13th St. Patrick's Day Dance

March 20th Daisy Dance

Upcoming Classes/Graduation:



Woodstock Squares

Guest Caller

Dance

Friday, January 23rd

Dance 7-9

National Caller

Tym Tyl

Rounds

Sandra Hirschler

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
2922 Sandy Plains Road
Marietta, GA 30066
\$10 Admission

www.woodstocksquares.com info@woodstocksquares.com

WRECKTANGLES - EAST RIDGE, TN

Location: ERUMC, 1601 Prater RD, Chattanooga, TN 37412
Dance Nights: Friday 2nd & 4th
Dance Times: 7:30 – 9:30 pm
Dance Levels: MS / PL / RD / LN
Caller: Alan Hall & Jarret Wilhoit
Cuer: Connie Goodman
Information: Kimberly Holden, 912-424-0412
Email: kimberlyniven18@gmail.com

Wrecktangles & Friday Nite Live

RIP ROARIN' ROUNDUP

Friday, January 9, 2026
7:00 – 9:30 PM

Featuring the Texas Twister



TIM TYL

Mainstream, Plus & Rounds

Rounds: Connie Goodman

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EAST RIDGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
1601 PRATER RD
EAST RIDGE, TN 37412

\$10

FOR INFORMATION, CALL MARCY HALL AT 423-316-9038

Wrecktangles & Friday Nite Live

Sweetheart Dance

Friday, February 13, 2026
7:00 – 9:30 PM



Travis Cook
as Caller

Sandwiches and Lots of Sweets for your Sweetie

Mainstream, Plus & Rounds

Rounds: Connie Goodman

East Ridge United Methodist Church
1601 Prater Rd
East Ridge, TN 37412

\$8

For information, call Marcy Hall at 423-316-9038
Like us on Facebook: Wrecktangles & Friday Nite Live

Wrecktangles & Friday Nite Live

St. Paddy's Dance

Friday, March 13, 2026
7:00 – 9:30 PM

Caller:
Danny Weeks

Mainstream,
Plus & Rounds

Rounds:
Connie Goodman



East Ridge United Methodist Church
1601 Prater Rd
East Ridge, TN 37412

\$8

For information, call Marcy Hall at 423-316-9038
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National Square Dance Convention® News



Did you receive your electronic copy of the National Squares E-Magazine, an online publication? The National Squares E- Magazine is the who, what, when, where, and how of the 74th National Square Dance Convention® to be held in Shreveport Louisiana (74th NSDC).

This E-Magazine is the source of all things associated with the 74th NSDC and future National Conventions. We are looking for new subscribers, please visit our website at <http://nsdcnec.com/> and sign up today. Below are the upcoming National Square Dance Convention® – *are you registered?*



75th NSDC, Waco Texas
June 24 - 27, 2026

75nsdc.com



76th NDC, Loveland Colorado
June 23- 26, 2027

76ndc.com



77th NSDC, Daytona Beach FL
June 28 – July 1, 2028

<https://77nsdcfl.com/>

Where's the 2029 National Convention to be held?

GEORGIA DANCE LEADERS

SQUARES

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Randy	Ramsey	2rcaller@sprynet.com	678-765-6297	Squares, Birthdays, Weddings
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Richard	Smith	richasm1@aol.com	770-844-9853	Squares, Birthdays, Weddings
Danny	Weeks	weeksdanny66@gmail.com	678-215-7090	Squares
Jarret	Wilhoit	jarret.wilhoit@gmail.com	423-599-9042	Squares
Tom	Wood	woodtl@att.net	478-474-5149	Squares

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Deanna	Palumbo	Deelite2@hotmail.com	404-431-1136

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Connie	Goodman	conniegoodman022@gmail.com	423-280-6845	
Sandra	Hirschler	Sandrah@bellsouth.net gunterh@bellsouth.net	770-265-5001 (S)	404-216-4621 (G)
Lois	Roberts	rlois59@gmail.com	706-766-1511	
Sam	Rowan	samrowan01@yahoo.com	843-705-6745	912-656-9419
Suzanna	Tubbs	dancingpaws11@gmail.com		706-244-5095

LINES:

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Randy	Bradberry	randybradberry@hotmail.com	770-466-8372	770-329-6194
Linda	Kennedy	adbowen@windstream.net	706-525-1829	
Melba	Trapp	melbatrapp@yahoo.com	706-766-4418	
Lois	Roberts	rlois59@gmail.com	706-766-1511	

GSSDA Georgia Traveler Program



The Purpose of GSSDA's Georgia Traveler Program (GTP) is to recognize square dancers who visit a variety of club dances, festivals and state square dance conventions. Participants in the GTP attend a club dance or festival in all areas of Georgia and experience the wide variety of wonderful callers, cuers and dancers throughout Georgia. They represent GSSDA's finest and meet square dance friends from all over the state. A special dangle is awarded to the participants after they have visited at least 9 separate square dance events (*not including their home club*). Different color dangles are awarded for different levels of involvement in this prestigious group.

If you are interested in joining this elite group of square dancers or simply want more information, please go to the GSSDA website (GSSDA.ORG) and download the descriptive brochure and start visiting. No advance registration is required. You may email the GTP Program Coordinator at president@gmail.com for more information.

Be part of an elite group of Georgia square dancers!

**Join the GSSDA Georgia Traveler Program
and proudly display your dangle.**

**GSSDA Georgia Travelers Program Award
will be presented at the 2026 Georgia State Convention**

FAQ for the Georgia Traveler Program

1. Must I have the specific form for reporting my visits?
No, as long as the information is complete, accurate and readable it will be acceptable.
2. Does the GSSDA event where I receive the award count as the last “visit” for the award?
No, the report of your visits must be at least 3 days before the start of the event at which you plan to receive the award. However, the event at which you receive the award can count as a visit for the next level award.
3. If I cannot attend the GSSDA event to receive my award will the award be mailed to me? Or can a friend pick it up for me?
No, you must be present in person to receive your award. If you are unable to attend the GSSDA Event you can pick up your award at the next GSSDA event you attend.
4. I attended a dance at the Hilton Head Ocean Waves Club in Hardeeville, SC. Does this count as a visit?
Yes, the Hilton Head Ocean Waves are a dues paying member of the GSSDA so the visit does count. Clubs just outside the Georgia State line who join and pay dues as a GSSDA Member Club are eligible to count toward the Georgia Traveler awards.
5. I visited and danced with the Buttons and Bows in Woodstock, GA last Friday night but I forgot to get my form signed. Can I count that visit?
If you get the Caller or the Club President to sign your form attesting that you were there on that date, we will accept the documentation. The Georgia Traveler Program operates mostly on the honor system. Square dancers are a trustworthy group, and we pretty much trust the documentation you provide.
6. I am a member of two clubs. Do I list both as my home club?
No, you simply pick one as your home club. It would be unfair to penalize those dancers who are members of multiple clubs. Everyone, even independent dancers, must list one club as their home club.
7. I am an independent dancer and not a member of any club. What do I do about listing a home club?
Simply choose the club you most often attend and list it as your home club.
8. If I visit a Club that is not a GSSDA Member Club, does it count?
Yes, you are not required to visit only GSSDA Member Clubs. As long as the Club is inside the geographic boundary of Georgia OR is a dues paying GSSDA Member Club. (See FAQ #4)

Program Purpose:

To encourage GSSDA members to visit a variety of club dances, festivals and state or national conventions.

Participant Goal:

To attend a club dance or festival in all areas of Georgia and experience the wide variety of wonderful callers and dancers throughout Georgia. To represent the GSSDA and meet square dance friends from all over the state.

Program Rules: A special dangle will be awarded to the participant after they have visited at least 9 separate square dance events (not including your home club) and have a form signed and returned to GSSDA for verification. Different color dangles will be awarded as follows:

- 9 Clubs Visited - Red Dangle
- 15 Clubs Visited - White Dangle
- 20 Clubs Visited - Blue Dangle
- 25 Clubs Visited - Silver Dangle
- 30 Clubs Visited - Gold Dangle

Multiple visits to a club only count as one visit per year.

Award dangles will be presented at a GSSDA dance or convention event.

Visitations must happen within a rolling 36 month period. The 3 year time period will begin with the first visit listed/counted.

Traveling couples must complete separate forms. Separate award dangles will be presented.

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**COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING
INFORMATION ABOUT YOURSELF**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Home Club: _____

I am applying for the
GSSDA Travel Dangle.

- _____ 9 Clubs Visited - Red Dangle
- _____ 15 Clubs Visited - White Dangle
- _____ 20 Clubs Visited - Blue Dangle
- _____ 25 Clubs Visited - Silver Dangle
- _____ 30 Clubs Visited - Gold Dangle

Complete this form and return to: GSSDA

GSSDA, Suite 620-222
 1025 Rose Creek Drive
 Woodstock GA 30189
 Email to: gssdapresident@gmail.com

You may bring documentation with you to the GSSDA Convention and present to the GSSDA Travel Program Coordinator.

For more information about this program please contact your GSSDA Georgia Traveler Program Coordinator.

**GEORGIA STATE
SQUARE DANCERS
ASSOCIATION**

**SQUARE
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DIXIE CRIER MAGAZINE

The Dixie Crier Magazine is an educational bulletin of the Georgia State Square Dancers Association, Inc. (GSSDA). Each issue contains Georgia and regional club information to include general club contact information, dances, classes, graduations, and more.

The Dixie Crier is produced four (4) times a year and distributed electronically:

- 1st Quarter (January, February, March)
- 2nd Quarter (April, May, June)
- 3rd Quarter (July, August, September)
- 4th Quarter (October, November, December)

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Submission Deadline is the 15th of December, March, June, September.

Articles, Ads, & News: GSSDA Attn: Dixie Crier Editor Suite 620-222 1025 Rose Creek Drive Woodstock GA 30189 L-Amclure@charter.net	Send Payments to: GSSDA Suite 620-222 1025 Rose Creek Drive Woodstock GA 30189	Email/Address Changes: GSSDA Attn: Membership Chairman Suite 620-222 1025 Rose Creek Drive Woodstock GA 30189
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