



September 2010

# Round the Capitol Square

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Thanks to all the delegates who attended the meeting Saturday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. Be sure and pass on the information to your club members so everyone knows about and understands **Federation Gold**. This is the easiest method to get funds for every club, the ASRDA, and the TSFSRD. If anyone needs more clarification, please contact any board member. We'll be glad to bring the forms to help get you started.

In an effort to get all the dances on the ASRDA website, we recommend that you notify the Social Secretary, Chuck & Cheryl Sherman. They will work with our Web Master, Mike & Dana Goggin, to be sure the dates are put on the ASRDA Calendar. It would be beneficial to give them a flyer. This might help eliminate conflicting dates. A lot of our members attend dances outside of the ASRDA and we want to continue that support as well as dance with our clubs.

Last but not least, get the dance list provided Saturday to your club members so we can attend more fun dances and help those clubs with your participation. The attendance will be a part of "Go for the Green" which we will elaborate on at a later date.

As always, have fun.

Ed & Martha Koslosky

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Send information on your special event to Social Secretary Charles & Cheryl Sherman  
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**2010**

Sept 1 Lonestar Lambdas special dance, Andy Shore caller  
 Sept 2 Waterloo Squares All Plus Dance, caller Bill Wright  
 Sept 25 Sam Houston Area Dance, Huntsville  
 Sept 29 Shirts 'n' Skirts 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Plus Dance, caller Jim Hayes  
 Oct 1-2 TSFSRD Presidents Meeting, Wichita Falls, TX  
 Oct 2 Buckles & Bows Happy Every Holiday Dance – caller Mike Sikorsky  
 Oct 2 Swinging Lakers Boat Dance, caller Gary Bible  
 Oct 29-30 Houston Hoe Down, Galveston  
 Nov 13 ASRDA Delegate Meeting & Dance, La Grange  
 Nov 19-21 Austin Eagles Fredericksburg FunFest  
 Dec 4 Alamo Area Christmas Dance, Schertz  
 Dec 5 ASRDA Blue Santa Dance

**2011**

Jan 14-15 TSFSRD Nominating Meeting – San Antonio  
 Feb 5 ASRDA Delegate Meeting, Teen Scholarship Dance  
 Feb 19 Alamo Area Teen Scholarship Dance, Stone Creek RV Park  
 Mar 4-5 TSFSRD Conclave, Mineola  
 Mar 19 Buckles & Bows 8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance, caller Randy Dougherty  
 Mar 26 Come & Take It Squares Anniversary Dance, caller Bill Wright, cuers Beckers  
 Apr 1-2-3 Austin Eagles Rockport Funfest  
 Apr 2 ASRDA Delegates Meeting  
 Apr 5 Waterloo Squares 28<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance, caller Wayne Morvent  
 Apr 9 Country Cuzzins Wildflower Dance, caller Joe Saltel  
 Apr 15 Alamo Area Fiesta Dance, Stone Creek RV Park  
 Apr 30 Shirts N Skirts Special honoring Jim & Shirley Hayes  
 May 6-7 Mid-Tex Festival, caller Art Tangen, cuers Mark & Pam Prow  
 June 4 Alamo Area Installation Dance, Stone Creek RV Park  
 June 9-12 TSFSRD Festival, Tyler, TX  
 June 22-25 National Square Dance Convention, Detroit, MI  
 July 9 ASRDA Installation Dance  
 Oct 7-9 TSFSRD Presidents Meeting, Austin

**2012**

Mar 2-3 TSFSRD Conclave, Red River Valley  
 Mar 17 Buckles & Bows 9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance, caller Jerry Story  
 Mar 24 Come N' Take It Squares Anniversary Dance  
 May 4-5 Mid-Tex Festival, caller Pat Barbour, cuer Annie Brownrigg  
 June 7-10 TSFSRD Festival Wichita Falls  
 June 27-30 National Square Dance Convention, Spokane, WA

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**TEXAS BLUEBONNETS**

What a fabulous time we all had at our 6th Annual Luau Dance on August 14. Thank you to all who came and enjoyed the Mainstream and Plus tips. Our own Jimmy Johnson called the dances and enlivened us with a special "Last Squares Standing" dance where his calls started out simply and became more complex to challenge the squares and decide on the square with the least mistakes.

Many clubs were represented at our Luau Dance: Waterloo Squares, Apache Raindancers, Buckles and Bows, Shirts 'N' Skirts, Kountry Squares, Swinging Lakers, Lonestar Lambdas, LaGrange Roadrunners, and ASRDA.

Thank you to our own Billie Burnett who taught and led several line dances for us. Thank you to Barbara Shelton who coordinated the delicious food we all enjoyed. Our Co-presidents Par Keys and Joannie Rivers visited many of the clubs to promote the Luau Dance.

We usually go Dark on the 5th Tuesday of the month, but in August we went Dark on August 24th. The next Dark date will be in November. We regularly meet on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 PM at the Grace Nazarene Church located at 1006 Koenig Lane, Austin, TX. We hope you will visit our club and dance with us.

For more about our club, go to our website:

[www.asrda.org/clubs/bluebonnets](http://www.asrda.org/clubs/bluebonnets)

See you around the squares, Mae Scheib,  
Secretary

**LONESTAR LAMBDAS**

The Lambdas hosted the quarterly dance with Alamo City Wranglers on August 14. We had a small but enthusiastic crowd, with lots of good food and even better dancing. Our caller, Mikael Jacobsen of San Antonio, alternated mainstream with DBD plus tips to keep us all on our toes.

The Lambdas will be hosting national caller Andy Shore on Monday, November 1. Look for a flyer in next month's Round the Capital Square for more details.

See you on the dance floor, Lise Waring

**BUCKLES & BOWS:**

It's been a HOT, HOT, HOT August, so with the coming of fall, let's hope for cooler weather, and perhaps more dancers will feel like coming back to dance at all our clubs throughout the area.

In September, we are planning to begin a new class of mainstream classes at the Cedar Park Recreation Center. The classes will be on Monday evenings from 8:00-10:00 pm. The classes will go from September through December of 2010. We will also offer mainstream lessons at the Round Rock Baca Center from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. on Tuesdays. We hope to draw out many new dancers to learn to dance, and hope all clubs throughout Texas will also have good luck in attracting new dancers.

Please mark Saturday, October 2nd, on your calendar, in which Mike Sikorsky will be calling two special dances at Hyde Park Christian Church. The first will be an **ALL PLUS DANCE** from 3:00 – 5:00 pm and that same evening from 7:30-10:00 pm will be our annual "**HAPPY EVERY HOLIDAY**" dance. Special discounted tickets will be sold to everyone who attends both dances. This issue of the September RCS contains a flyer for additional information.

Hope to see you in a square!

**APACHE RAINDANCERS**

The Apache Raindancers will go dark on Monday, September 20, so that our members can attend a special dance at Sun City in Georgetown.

Several of our members attended the ASRDA afternoon meeting on August 14, as well as the Heart of Texas dance in Killeen that evening, while others from our Club visited the Hawaiian Luau Dance hosted by the Bluebonnets also held on August 14. What a busy day that was!

Many of our dancers plan to participate in the August 21 exhibition at the Travis County Expo Center where we hope to show the 4,000 National Guard attendees just how much fun square dancing can be.

The Apaches continue to dance on our regular Monday nights (except the 5<sup>th</sup> Monday each month) from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Hyde Park Christian Church. We love to have guests and promise there will be lots of good eats, too. Please come join us real soon for a great evening of square dancing.

Buckles & Bows invite YOU to their 4th Annual

# Happy "Every Holiday" Dance

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## Mike Sikowsky

Date: Sat. October 2, 2010

**2 DANCES!**

All Plus Dance: 3 - 5 pm  
Happy Every Holiday Dance  
M/S: 7:30-9:30 pm; Plus: 9:30-10 pm

Location: Hyde Park Christian Church  
610 E. 45th St., Austin, TX  
Donation: \$8/pp/dance or BOTH dances \$14/pp



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### **LA GRANGE ROADRUNNERS**

Greetings from the La Grange Roadrunners. I am filling in for Sammy Smith (on vacation) who was filling in for Gloria (on medical leave). As a group, we have been busy lately. Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> we gathered at Bistro 108 just off the square in downtown La Grange and had a wonderful meal to show our appreciation to the owners for buying an ad in our patron's book.

On Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup> the club entered a float in a parade in downtown La Grange. Sixteen very brave Roadrunners rode on hay bales on a trailer that was pulled behind a tractor driven by me. I am happy to report that there were no injuries and that we won First Place for our efforts. If we do it again next year, we will try to get a position a little further away from the group on horseback.

The Fayette County Fair is always held on Labor Day weekend. Thursday's attraction will include an exhibition put on by the La Grange Roadrunners from 4:00-7:00pm. We will be square dancing, round dancing and line dancing. Gonzales has graciously agreed to help us and if anyone else would like join us, please let us know so that you can be included in the free food and drink tickets. Oh, by the way, it will be outdoors but they are providing water cooling fans. We will give a report in the next newsletter about the turnout. Until then, keep on dancing.

Respectfully submitted, Martha Koslosky



### **WATERLOO SQUARES**

Yikes! Summer is flying by and no wonder with the flurry of activities here at Waterloos! Of course, many of our members have been traveling. Ellen Carlstead has returned from a visit to South Africa, and Ken and Elenora McDonald enjoyed a cruise. Nancy and Phil Olsen, Grady George and Sue Gillar, Jim and Edell Meany, and Hanna Marsden planned to spend the week

of August 28 through September 4, in Fun Valley dancing to the calling of Brad Caldwell and Lem Gravelle. What fun!

Our Thursday night dances between lessons have been well attended. There has been lots of positive feedback, and we look forward to having them again.

Speaking of lessons, it is almost time to start a new set! Our free introductory lessons will be held on Thursday, September 9 and 16 at the South Austin Activity Center, 3911 Manchaca Road. They will again be taught by our talented caller, Wayne Weston. Mainstream lessons start at 7:15 pm. to 8:45p.m. They will be followed by plus lessons from 8:45 pm. to 9:45 pm. Please invite new dancers and come angel. We need you there.

We want to welcome Sue Gillar back. It is so good to see her on the dance floor again! We also want to welcome our newest members. Norton and Marilyn Armour, Wendy Gordy, Kathie King, Ramona Padilla, Jorjanna Price, Adeline (Eddie) Ramsey, and Gene and Susie Tacchi joined us in July and August! We are so excited to have you with us!

A special word of thanks goes out to our Waterloo Board. Our dedicated leaders are Larry and Ginger Shimkus, presidents, David and Linda Stewart vice-presidents, Robert and Judi George, secretaries, Brad and Dede Hull, treasurers. They do an excellent job! Their work is supported by our wonderful caller scheduler Ken McDonald, fabulous e-mail coordinator Sam Bloom, talented line dance coordinator Sue Hohenshell, "arresting" sheriff Sue Gillar and creative theme dance coordinator Elnora McDonald. Rounding out the group are our dedicated delegates, Earl and Janet Grey and Joanne Lattrell along with our fantastic new photographer, Al Braden. In addition to treasurer Brad Hull serves as our multi-media specialist, and Dede Hull as our historian. We appreciate all of you!

Birthday greeting go out to Dolores Jameson, Joanne Lattrell, Hanna Marsden, Ramona Padilla and Gene Tacchi. Happy Anniversary to Ron and Sharon Schumate.

Below is the caller list for September. Dances are held at the South Austin Activity Center, 3911 Manchaca Road and begin at 7:30 p.m. Please join us!

Tuesday, September 7	Daryl Lipscomb
Tuesday, September 14	Wayne Weston
Tuesday, September 21	Gary Bible
Tuesday, September 28	Cris Crisler
Blessings, Dolores Jameson	

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**ASRDA CLUBS**

Unless otherwise noted, clubs dance every week 7:30 – 9:30 PM, area code is 512, clubs dance in Austin. Type Club – 1=square, 2=round, 3=square & round, 4=clog, 5=plus, 6= advanced., 7= Line Dance, MS=Mainstream, MS/P=Mainstream w/announced Plus. <http://www.asrda.org/staticpages/index.php?page=clubs>

**MONDAY**

**APACHE RAINDANCERS-1** Hyde Park Christian Church, 610 East 45<sup>th</sup>. Pres Joyce Adams 452-3117, [jadams55@texas.net](mailto:jadams55@texas.net) . Caller Al Frazier 339-7910. 7:30 - 9:30. MS/P No 5<sup>th</sup> Monday <http://www.asrda.org/clubs/apache/>

**COME N' TAKE IT SQUARES-1** Presbyterian Church, 414 Saint Louis, Gonzales, 830/672-3636; Pres Calvin & Ruby Buesing 830-672-7384, [rubyb@gvec.net](mailto:rubyb@gvec.net) . Guest callers 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon.; Cris Crisler on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mon. 830/624-0690. No 5<sup>th</sup> Monday. 7:30 PM to 9:30. MS/P <http://www.asrda.org/clubs/comentakeit/>

**LONE STAR LAMBIDAS 1** Gethesemane Lutheran Church, 200 W. Anderson Lane, Terry Neal [bearterry@aol.com](mailto:bearterry@aol.com) , caller Mikael Jacobson 210-363-5471, 7:00-9:00 MS/P Casual Attire <http://www.lonestarlambdas.org/>

**MERRY-GO-ROUNDS-2** Hancock Recreation Center, 811 E. 41<sup>st</sup> St, Jerry & Lucy Pate cuers 250-5185 [jpate12@austin.rr.com](mailto:jpate12@austin.rr.com) , 7:30 – 9:30, Phase III – V.

**TUESDAY**

**LA GRANGE ROADRUNNERS-3** Randolph Recreation Center, 653 E. Pearl St., La Grange. Pres Bill & Myrna Thiessen 979-966-0089, [myrna\\_thiessen@hotmail.com](mailto:myrna_thiessen@hotmail.com) . Callers Al Frazier, Traylor Walker alternating. 7:30 – 9:30, no fifth Tuesday. <http://www.asrda.org/clubs/roadrunn/>

**TEXAS BLUEBONNETS-1** Grace Nazarene Church, 5920 Sunshine Drive. Pres Par Keys 243-7400, [earlandpar@yahoo.com](mailto:earlandpar@yahoo.com) & Joanie Rivers 433-6091, [joannie37@gmail.com](mailto:joannie37@gmail.com) . Caller Jimmy Johnson 926-6128. MS/P 7:30-9:30. <http://www.asrda.org/clubs/bluebonnets/>

**WATERLOO SQUARES-1-7** South Austin Senior Activity Ctr, 3911 Manchaca Rd; Pres Larry & Ginger Shimkus 249-7839 [larryandginger@sbcglobal.net](mailto:larryandginger@sbcglobal.net) ; Visiting Callers MS/P 7:30-9:30. <http://www.asrda.org/clubs/waterloo/>

**WEDNESDAY**

**SHIRTS'n'SKIRTS-3-7** McCoy Elementary School, NW corner of I-35 & Williams Drive, Georgetown, Pres Tony & Martha Burghart 512-255-8417 [MDBurghart@sbcglobal.net](mailto:MDBurghart@sbcglobal.net) ; Caller Jim Hayes. MS/P, Line dancing on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed. led by Martha Burghart, Rounds on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wed., Cuers Jerry & Lucy Pate, 8-9:30. All Plus Dance every 5<sup>th</sup> Wed. [asrda.org/clubs/shirtsnskirts/](http://www.asrda.org/clubs/shirtsnskirts/)

**SWINGING LAKERS-1** K-Oaks Clubhouse in Lago Vista, Pres Ken & Carole Miller, 259-3965, [honeycome.basket.weaver@wildblue.net](mailto:honeycome.basket.weaver@wildblue.net) . Caller Gary Bible, 7:30-9:30, MS/P <http://www.asrda.org/clubs/swinglakers/>

**THURSDAY**

**BUCKLES & BOWS-1** Cedar Park Methodist Church, 600 W. Park St., Cedar Park, TX., Callers Arnold & Marie Gladson 219-9258, [agladson@austin.rr.com](mailto:agladson@austin.rr.com) . MS 7pm-9pm. Plus 9pm-9:30pm. <http://www.glad2call.com/BucklesBowsClub.htm>

**CLICKETY CLOGGERS-4** 1807 Slaughter Ln Ste.325, Pres Virginia Shelton, 573-0793 or 830-798-2403, [rthelton1@netzero.net](mailto:rthelton1@netzero.net) . Performance Contact Jon Durbin 512-331-9536, [jon\\_d@juno.com](mailto:jon_d@juno.com) . 7pm <http://www.clicketycloggers.com/>

**KOUNTRY SQUARES-1** dance at home of pres Jim & Elizabeth Hall, 512-898-5192, [elizabethhall16@hotmail.com](mailto:elizabethhall16@hotmail.com) call for directions. Caller Al Frazier, 339-7910. MS/P 7:30-9:30 pm <http://www.asrda.org/clubs/kountry/>

**WHEEL-N-DEALS-1** Dunbar Rec Ctr, 801 MLK, San Marcos, TX; Pres Jim & Edel Meany [em5148@yahoo.com](mailto:em5148@yahoo.com) or [docmeany@yahoo.com](mailto:docmeany@yahoo.com) . Caller Chet Miles 1st & 3<sup>rd</sup>, guest callers 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>. No 5<sup>th</sup> Thurs. MS/P. 7:30-9:30 pm [www.Wheel-N-Deals.org](http://www.Wheel-N-Deals.org)

**COME N TAKE IT**

Greetings, as John & Martha Jo are still enjoying a lengthy vacation; I will update you on our club. We have had quite a number on vacation. The Meadors, Veselkas, Whitts, Harts and yours truly. We have several couples leaving for Fun Valley very soon.

We have had some of our dancers going out visiting. Several attended Waterloo's transition dances, Happy Soles, Fun Dancers, and the Meadors danced several times while in New Mexico. We attended the all plus dance at Waterloos with Jim Hays calling. Also had some of our dancers dance at Seguin's birthday celebration. Henry, Calvin & I attended the Corn Huskers dance with Wade Driver calling and the Pates cueing. Betty was getting grandchildren to stay for a week. The dance was great.

On August 16th we had two couples help put on an exhibition for the Seguin teachers for part of the entertainment for their opening day of in-service. We danced in front of about 1200 or so. All teachers should consider square dancing for relaxing after a hard day!

On October 2nd we will again have our annual free dance on the square at 6:00pm in Gonzales with a Bar B Q dinner to follow as usual. We welcome all dancers. Cris will be calling. Bring lawn chairs and a side dish.

September 6th Labor Day we will have a dance and hot dogs and all the trimmings. Wayne Weston will be calling. Calvin says we will have homemade sauerkraut!

Hope the heat is not too hard on anyone. It's best to stay inside where it is cool and just square dance.

Hope to see you in a square somewhere!  
Calvin & Ruby

**SHIRTS 'N' SKIRTS**

Shirts'n'Skirts held our 'first annual' salad supper prior to our regular dance on August 11. We had a great turnout of members – and guests. We had a wonderful variety – and an abundance of – 'salads.' It was a very enjoyable occasion.

A few days later (Saturday, August 14) several of us participated in the Cornhusker Dance Weekend in Killeen. We had 20 Shirts'n'Skirts members in attendance. Thanks to Jim Shoemaker (Shirts'n'Skirts member and Heart of Texas President) and the other Heart of Texas folks for presenting a truly outstanding weekend.

Several of our members will be in Colorado August 29 through September 4 for a week of square

dance, round dance – and recreation at Fun Valley. We're looking forward to the beautiful scenery – and the cool temperatures.

September has five Wednesdays – and we will be holding one of our very popular **all plus dances on September 29**. Mark your calendars for this event. Jim Hayes will be again serving up his unique blend of plus calls.

Once again, we'd like to confirm our regular dance program – every Wednesday night at McCoy School – 7:30 until 9:30. Every Wednesday we have Jim Hayes' unique blend of square dance calls – and on the 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month Jim calls an all plus dance. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays we have Lucy & Jerry Pate serving up rounds and on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays we have Marvelous Martha leading the line dancing.

For all the latest about Shirts'n'Skirts, visit our website at: <http://www.asrda.org/clubs/shirtsnskirts/>.

Respectfully submitted, Jim & Shirley  
Teegarden, Shirts'n'Skirts Club Secretary



It all started when a fellow square dancer was trying to find out if other solo dancers would want to go to this particular special dance together, so we would get a better chance of dancing more tips. During the discussion, I was asked to organize something. I decided to take this further. Hence the Austin Area Solo Square Dancers List (AASSDL) is established. The intent is to connect male and female square dancers in the Austin area to maximize dancing opportunities at special events.

Check out our website (<http://aassdl.weebly.com/>) for more details. The list is open to everybody, and is free to join. We look forward to welcoming you to the list.

*Yellow rocks*, Hollis Sheppard,  
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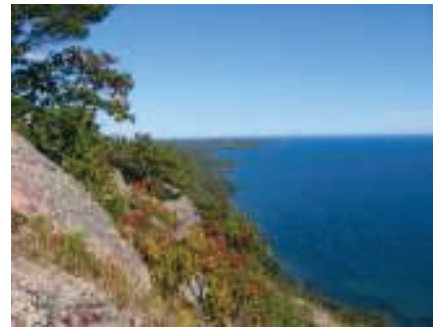


PRESS RELEASE NO. 2  
AUGUST 1, 2010

**TAKE EVERYTHING YOU HAD PREVIOUSLY THOUGHT ABOUT DETROIT AND  
THROW IT OUT!!!**

I had the pleasure of attending the 60<sup>th</sup> NSDC pre-convention in Detroit. I am truly amazed at what a beautiful city Detroit is! I strolled along the city's River Walk, where I found people out jogging, walking and just hanging out enjoying the view, which is truly beautiful. The architecture and hand-painted interior design of one of the older buildings (which offers a free tour) is just one of Detroit's hidden jewels. Throughout the city is hand-painted decorative tile work. The Renaissance Center offers visitors a free tour, which includes a ride in the glass elevator up to the 72nd floor where you are treated to a spectacular view! Detroit's People Mover makes getting around the downtown area very easy. I found the downtown area to be very clean and the people very friendly. In talking to other visitors and tourists, (yes, Detroit has tourists) there seems to be one common thread-SURPRISE AT WHAT A WONDERFUL CITY DETROIT IS! My only regret-not bringing a camera. Why? I had pre-conceived ideas about the city of Detroit. You can be sure I'll bring my camera when I come back in June, 2011!

**VISITING MICHIGAN – FEATURING THE KEWEENAW PENINSULA & WESTERN UPPER  
PENINSULA**



Michigan's Upper Peninsula is abundant with rugged natural beauty along the Lake Superior shoreline. Some interesting attractions if you're taking the northern route through Michigan could include the following: Waaay up north is the Keweenaw Peninsula-it is the heart of copper mining in Michigan. There are copper mine tours in the village of Mohawk. In the same

area is the Keweenaw National Historic Park and Laurium Mansion Tours near the village of Calumet. Along the Lake Superior shoreline is the city of Marquette. Nearby, is the U.S. National Ski Hall of Fame & Museum in Ishpeming. The area also features the Michigan Iron Industry Museum in Negaunee. Throughout the Upper Peninsula are several lighthouses and casinos. There is so much to see and do it's impossible to list more than just a few attractions. For more information on these and other attractions in Michigan visit [www.puremichigan.org](http://www.puremichigan.org)

### VISITING DETROIT – FEATURING CASINOS

Detroit is home to three casino-hotels-Greektown, MGM Grand Detroit and MotorCity.



Greektown is one of our host hotels. It is a 30 story, 400 room hotel offering views of the Detroit River and Canada. It has 100,000 sq. ft. of gaming space with 2,500 slot machines and 90 gaming tables. They have four fine dining restaurants, as well as casual dining.



MGM Grand Detroit features over 90 table games and 4,000 of the latest slots and video poker. They have three signature restaurants from Wolfgang Puck and Michael Mina. In addition to fine dining, MGM Detroit also offers casual dining. Rejuvenate in their luxury spa.



MotorCity offers five-reel games, video poker, the most popular video slots, more than 57 table games and a non-smoking Poker Room. Their restaurants range from casual to fine dining. MotorCity has Detroit's first Radio Bar featuring live broadcast with live entertainment daily.

Each casino offers its own special atmosphere. All casinos are within walking distance of Detroit's People Mover. For more general and updated information visit [www.greektowncasino.com](http://www.greektowncasino.com) – [www.mgmgranddetroit.com](http://www.mgmgranddetroit.com) – [www.motorcitycasino.com](http://www.motorcitycasino.com)

## DETROIT'S PEOPLE MOVER



Feeling nervous about getting around downtown Detroit? Catch a ride on the people mover and let those fears glide away. The people mover is an elevated, climate-controlled, computer operated train. I had the opportunity to ride the people mover numerous times while visiting Detroit for the pre-convention. I found the ride to be smooth and the other passengers friendly and very helpful to us first-timers. There are people mover maps on board all the cars. These maps are easy to read and list all attractions/restaurants/shops, etc. within walking distance of each stop. There are thirteen stops along the route; all stations (with the exception of the Grand Circus Park Station) are handicap accessible. It didn't take much effort to learn the way around downtown via the people mover. When at the people mover stations, be sure to pay attention to the beautiful tile work on the walls of the station. Each station has a unique design to the tile work.

Access to the people mover is within various buildings throughout the downtown area, including Cobo Hall, the Renaissance Center and Greektown Casino. Worried about rain while waiting for the people mover? All stations are under cover. Hours of operation are: Monday-Thursday 6:30 a.m. – Midnight; Friday 6:30 a.m. – 2:00 a.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 2:00a.m.; Sunday Noon – Midnight. Hours will be extended for special events as needed. A round trip takes approximately 15 minutes with cars arriving in the station every 3 to 4 minutes. There will be a **FREE** People Mover pass included in your registration packet, venture out and enjoy Detroit!

### **Registration/Housing Information:**

You can download a registration form by visiting [60nsdc.com](http://60nsdc.com) and click on registration or by contacting Lloyd and Linda Catey, 60<sup>th</sup> NSDC, 3462 Doane Hwy., Grand Ledge, MI 48837

Please note that if you are planning on traveling to Canada a passport is required.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE 60<sup>TH</sup> NSDC, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT: [60nsdc.com](http://60nsdc.com).

## **Sew & Save at the 60th National Square Dance Convention**

After hours of dancing, when your feet are tired, do-si-do starts sounding like do-paso, and you cannot stand one more twirl, we have the perfect solution for you! Stop by the Sew & Save rooms. There you can occupy yourself by tracing many different patterns, gathering sewing tips from our experts, or gleaning tidbits of knowledge from informational brochures. Have a button that needs attending to? No problem! Come to the repair room where we will take care of that offending button.

Just want some time away from dancing? Again, no problem! Attend one of the several different sewing seminars available to you. But, you say, what will my partner do? You guessed it. No Problem! Your partner can visit the partner's lounge where they can sit back and relax, do a jigsaw puzzle, or find their own project patterns. Don't forget to drop your ticket for the giveaway items of your choice. The winning tickets will be posted and item available for pick up after the room closes on Saturday. Come join us and see why we believe our Sew & Save room has something to offer everyone!

### **CAMPING WHILE AT THE 60<sup>TH</sup> NSDC**

We will be using the Wayne County Fairgrounds and RV Park for our camping facilities. The campground is located at 10871 Quirk Road in Belleville. This is approximately a 30-minute drive to the convention center via I-94 to US-10. A four-day bus pass from the campground to the convention center is available for a fee of \$50.00 per person (\$60 after 5/31/11). Buses will run every 30 minutes. There are approximately 125 camping sites available for hookup to water and electricity and about 200 dry sites. **All** sites have 30-amp electrical service and are 20' wide. There is also a small area set up for tent campers. Restrooms, showers, dumpsters and a dump station are available free of charge for campers at the RV park. RV camping with electric and water is \$45.00 per night and dry camping is \$25.00 per night. There is a four-night minimum stay. For more information on the campground, visit their website at:

[www.waynecountyfairgrounds.net](http://www.waynecountyfairgrounds.net)

We all know dancing requires a certain amount of math skills (quarter turns, half turns, etc.).

Well here's an interesting math equation:

**MOTOWN + MO'FUN + MO'DANCIN = 60<sup>TH</sup> NSDC, DETROIT, 2011!!**

**THERE AIN'T NO PARTY LIKE A DETROIT PARTY BECAUSE A DETROIT PARTY DON'T STOP!**



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