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# **Round the Capitol Square**

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**Message From the President**  
**June 2023**  
Bridge to Community

Howdy everyone. As you may know, this is my final letter as president of our wonderful organization. Ramona and I have learned a lot from serving in this capacity and we look forward to serving again, once we have completed working with the Waco National Square Dance Convention

I believe there is much work yet to be done to make square dancing a go-to social event. People need safe places and activities like square dancing to meet other people but also to satisfy our human needs for love, belonging, and fun. The key to rebuilding square dancing is to provide a safe place for people to bring their authentic selves. Ramona and I endeavor to bring our true selves to every square we occupy.

We want to thank all of you who made this year's Mid-Tex Festival a success and a dance to remember. In particular, I want to thank Cherri Burrows for stepping up to take on the duties as chairperson for the Mid-Tex Festival. To create a dance of this magnitude requires many willing hands and loving attitudes. We, indeed, had an abundance of both for this year's Mid-Tex Festival.

I want to extend my personal appreciation to Gaynelle and Bailey Sutherland for their wonderful and thoughtful mentorship. We could not ask for a better couple to model loyalty, servitude, and their ability to find solutions when no one else could. We are truly indebted to you both.

We would also like to thank Brooke Peters for all the late hour phone calls she received from us when we were in doubt. She is truly a blessing to the square dance community.

Finally, we want to thank every square dancer that we have met and had the pleasure to dance with and for every smile they bring to the square.

Ramona and I will continue to bring our joy and love to this beloved activity, and we truly want to see you in a square all around the area.

Hugs to all.

***Billy & Ramona***

**2023**

- May 30 Waterloo Squares' Root Beer Float Dance, caller Chet Miles  
 May 30 Step N Style Rounds Quarterly Blast Dance  
 Jun 15-18 TSFSRD State Festival, Bryan, TX  
 Jun 21-24 Party Gras 72<sup>nd</sup> National Convention in Mobile, Alabama  
 Jul 12 Shirt's 'n' Skirt's Ice Cream Social, caller Brad Caldwell, cuers Lucy & Jerry Pate  
 Jul 15 ASRDA Delegate Meeting and Installation Dance with BBQ Dinner  
 Aug 20-24 Eureka Springs Round Dance Vacation, cuers Jeff & Pamela Johnson, Kay & Bob Kurczewski  
 Sept 8-9 74<sup>th</sup> NSDC Square Dance Weekend, callers Phil Moorehouse, Joey Duhamel, Tim Tyl Cuers Martin Philyaw, Ken Vantiger, Bossier City,  
 Sept 15-16 Fun-Sti-Toot, Callers Gary Sanders, Chet Miles, Wayne Weston, Fred Goynes, cuers Tammy & Marvin Lee, La Grange. TX  
 Oct 13-14 TSFSRD President's Meeting, Alamo Area SRDA.

**2024**

- Jan 13-14 TSFSRD Nominating Meeting, caller Scott Bennett. Cuers Tammy & Marvin Lee, Houston, TX  
 Mar 1-2 TSFSRD Conclave Meeting, Lubbock, TX  
 Mar 9 La Grange Roadrunners Texas Independence Dance  
 Apr 19-21 Spring Fling Duke City Square Dance Club callers Jerry Gil, cuers Kay & Bob Kurczewski  
 May 10-11 ASRDA Mid-Tex Festival, caller Dan Sahlstrom, cuers Chris Jopek & Steve Davis, Georgetown, TX  
 Jun 13-16 TSFSRD Festival, Bryan. TX  
 Jun 26-29 73<sup>rd</sup> National Square Dance Convention, Milwaukee, WI

## 2023 DISNEYLAND AT MID-TEX WAS A SUCCESS



ASRDA had 112 dancers PRE-REGISTERED for the 2023 Mid-Tex Festival! That is more preregistrations than we have had in the last six years! Sadly, because of weather, many of the pre-registered folks from San Antonio did not end up attending. Still, on Saturday evening there were 15 squares on the floor with some people sitting out. The weekend was definitely profitable.

The Trails End dance, organized by Wayne Weston, had up to five squares dancing at one time. It was fun to dance to a bunch of different callers and cuers within a two hour time block. Dan Clairmont used two Disney songs during his tip which really added to the festive atmosphere. The final tip included all the callers and dancers singing "God Bless America." Thanks to all the callers and cuers who participated in the Trails End dance.

Paul & Linda Robinson did a superb job cueing and teaching the round dance workshops. Remember, they put their program together in two days because John Herr had some medical issues that prevented John and Karen from attending.

Bob Asp kept dancers moving the entire weekend. His A2 workshop had two to three square in it. He challenged many of us with his DBD workshop but walked us through the moves that were breaking some squares down. The Plus and Mainstream workshops were both enjoyed and well attended.

The 2023 Mid-Tex Committee, once again, out did itself decorating. The stage background was a Disney Castle and the front of the stage was covered with Mickey and Minnie Mouse stuffed animals. Captain Hook and his crocodile made their debut as the main decoration in the lobby with the Pirates of the Caribbean off to the left of Captain Hook. The silhouettes returned, some as Mouskateers and some were transformed by Cherri Burrows into Cinderella and Prince charming. There was also a huge picture of the Little Mermaid, Ariel, and her prince with cut out faces so people could stand behind the picture and have their faces on top of mermaid bodies.

Then there were the costumes! The number and creativity of the costumes was totally unexpected. There were lots of Mousekateers, several Woodys and Jesses from Toy Story, an FANTASTIC Little Bo Peep, Mary Poppins and Burt, the Queen of Hearts, Goofy, Cruella de Vil, the White Rabbit from Alice in Wonderland, assorted Mickey and Minnie Mouses, Peter Pan, Tinkerbelle, Maleficent from Sleeping Beauty, several princesses, and assorted other characters. Check out ASRDA's Facebook page and website to for the photos.

A huge thank you goes out to everyone who helped make this year's Mid-Tex such a success.



**"Square Dancers Building a Bridge to Community"**

## DANCER OF THE YEAR



The "Dancer of the Year" award is given to an individual or couple who have demonstrated low-profile, continuing, and steadfast service to the ASRDA over a period of years or for an outstanding, highly significant contribution or service during any one-year period. The recipient may NOT be selected for contribution or service to any single club of the Association but must be chosen on the basis of outstanding contributions or service to the Austin Association or square and round dance community as a whole. Each club is responsible for nominating a deserving dancer and forwarding the name to the Dancer of the Year Committee. Members of that committee, all previous "Dancer of the Year Award" recipients themselves, vote for the nominee who they feel is most deserving of this honor.

This year's recipient was Brooke Peters. Brooke started square dancing in 2017. She served as VP of Wheel-N-Deals for one year in 2017 and then as club president for five years. She was the "Publicity Officer" for FunDancers for four years. She served an ASRDA delegate for a year, and then alternated between ASRDA VP and President for the next four years. She has been a delegate to the TSFSRD for five years and served as the Vice Chair of Solo dancers for the State Festival that was cancelled in 2020. Brooke also worked as part of the Education Committee for the National Convention in Jackson, Mississippi in 2021 and was responsible for coordinating and scheduling the Educational Sessions and then working in the Education office at the Convention. She has been an active member of the Mid-Tex Committee four times and was the Vice Chair of the 2022 Presidents' Weekend Committee. She is scheduled to be the Education Chairman of the 2026 National Convention in Waco, Texas if Texas's bid is accepted.

In all the positions Brooke has held, she has strived to increase communication between club and association officers and dancers. She regularly writes articles for both ASRDA's and TSFSRD's newsletters and was instrumental in forming the team that developed ASRDA's new website. Dancer recruitment and retention have been her priority for the last six years, so she has been heavily involved in education and publicity at the club and association levels. Brooke has been an initiator and huge supporter of theme dances at the club and association levels to encourage greater attendance at these dances and hopefully add to dancer retention. She was also the person who started and now coordinates the Klose Kloset for donated square dance clothes and will be ASRDA's President for 2023- 2024. Congratulations Brooke!

## HAVE YOU CHECKED OUT THE NEW WEBSITE, ASRDA.ORG?

The ASRDA Tech Team hopes you have been exploring the new website, ASRDA.org. To help you locate information, we would like to draw your attention to a few sections.

- The top bar, lying horizontally, (or **Menu** bar) on the **Home** page lists all the topics addressed on the website.
  - If you have problems understanding each page, the last tab on the right is **"HELP!"** Click on the page you need, and it will have instructions that pertain to that page.
  - The **"Events"** section will help you keep up with the latest dances. Events list every upcoming dance in ASRDA and major dances in the surrounding associations.
  - In the description of the upcoming dance or Event, is **"Calendar."** When you click "Calendar," it will automatically be added to your Google Calendar. (If you have a Gmail account, you automatically have a Google Calendar).
  - When **"(map)"** is clicked, the location of the dance appears. After clicking on Map and then on **"Directions"**, you will receive directions to the dance from your location.
  - Click on **"Flyer"** and you can see the flyer.
  - Also, in the Menu bar on the **Home** page, is **"Clubs."** When you click on "Clubs," you will see a list which includes, **"Clubs by Dance Day"** at the top of the list and then each club is listed in alphabetical order.
  - If you want to dance on Monday night, click on "Clubs by Dance Day," then check the list of clubs dancing on Monday.
  - Then in the list of clubs, click on the **Name of the Club** to get more information about the location (along with a map), times of the dance, the donation amount, the caller, how to contact the caller or president of the club, along with a link to the Club's Facebook page and Website.
  - By checking the club's Facebook or website, visiting dancers will be aware of the Club's most recent information. It is very important that each Club keep their Facebook page and/or website up to date with the most current information, especially any cancellations.
- We hope this will help you navigate the new website. Stay tuned for more information.

## NEW WEBSITE – NEW LOGO?

Now that we have a beautiful new website, the Website Team was wondering if ASRDA dancers would like to update the ASRDA logo as well. Several potential logos were presented at the last delegate meeting. The general feedback was delegates wanted something showing the state of Texas. Club presidents and delegates have been sent the five logos below to show to club members and make note of the first and second most popular ones. If you are reading this and you have not been shown the logos by your club president or delegates, please let them know the two you prefer. They will bring this information to the next ASRDA meeting.



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## 2023 INSTALLATION DINNER AND DANCE

Come join the newly elected and appointed ASRDA officers for an evening of dinner and dancing on July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at Hyde Park Christian Church. For \$12.00/person you can enjoy a BBQ dinner and a full two hours of dancing (more if you are a round dancer). Brad Caldwell will be our caller and Ron Plouch will be cueing.

Dinner will include sliced BBQ beef brisket and BBQ chicken, baked and pinto beans, coleslaw, potato salad, and assorted desserts. Coffee, iced tea, and water will also be available. If you want to skip dinner and just come to the dance, we ask for a donation of \$7.00.

Dinner will be from 5:45 pm – 6:45 pm, at which time we will fold up the tables and clear the dance floor so pre-rounds can start at 7:00 pm. The 2 + 2 square and round dance is from 7:30 – 9:30 pm.

ASRDA is paying for the brisket and chicken. Chet Miles will be doing the grilling. We would really like those dancers coming to the dinner to bring one of the five side dishes listed (baked beans, pinto beans, potato salad, coleslaw, or a dessert). You can think of it as a limited item potluck.

You must RSVP by July 8<sup>th</sup>, so we know how much meat to buy. Please email Brooke Peters at [kbrookepeters@gmail.com](mailto:kbrookepeters@gmail.com) and let her know you are coming and what side dish you will be bringing. We are limited to around 75 people so please respond as soon as possible. A flyer for the Installation Dinner and Dance is included in this newsletter.

## ASRDA DELEGATE MEETING AND FOLLOWED BY PHOTOS

The first delegate meeting with the newly elected Board will be from 2:00 – 4:00 pm on July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at Hyde Park Christian Church. Photos of the elected and appointed officers and possibly club delegates will be taken between 4:00 and 5:00 pm. These photos are necessary for ASRDA's website, the TSFSRD's Redbook, and possibly club Facebook pages. If you are an appointed officer but will not be at the meeting or dance, other arrangements will need to be made to take your picture.

There will NOT be a 2023-2024 Mid-Tex meeting following the delegate meeting. This year, all Mid-Tex meetings will be via Zoom.

## COUNTRY CUZZINS WINS THE 2022-2023 VISITATION AWARD!

Congratulations to Country Cuzzins for having the most dancers visit other clubs this past year. They were awarded \$200.00 for 92 recorded visits. Wheel-N-Deals came in second with 55 dancers visiting other clubs. The club that benefitted the most from the visits was Waterloo Squares. Waterloo had 101 paying guests from other ASRDA clubs.

Unfortunately, only three clubs turned in visitation certificates. Does that mean that only three clubs had members that visited other clubs? Not necessarily. Many dancers belong to more than one club so cannot be counted as visitors unless they are willing to pay the admission to count as a "guest." They join the clubs where they dance regularly to save money. Other dancers just don't like to travel long distances at night. The most surprising finding was that two or three club presidents did not know about the Visitation Program so did not encourage their members to visit other clubs.

Even though the Visitation Award goes to the club that has the most visitors going to other clubs, the real winners are the clubs who have the visitors come to them. Multiply the admission donation amount by the number of visitors and that is the amount the club gains from visitors. The purpose of the award is to get more dancers visiting so clubs will get more money.

The 2023 -2024 Visitation Award contest begins on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, and ends on May 30, 2024. Grab some other dancers, get out there and visit other clubs!

**CHAPLAINS CORNER**

# The Origins of Flag Day



*That the flag of the United States shall be of thirteen stripes of alternate red and white, with a union of thirteen stars of white in a blue field, representing the new constellation.*

This was the resolution adopted by the Continental Congress on June 14, 1777. The resolution was made following the report of a special committee which had been assigned to suggest the flag's design. A flag of this design was first carried into battle on September 11, 1777, in the Battle of the Brandywine. Observance of the adoption of the flag was not soon in coming, however. Although there are many claims to the first official observance of Flag Day, all but one took place more than an entire century after the flag's adoption in 1777.

The most recognized claim, however, comes from New York. On June 14, 1889, Professor George Bolch, principal of a free kindergarten for the poor of New York City, had his school hold patriotic ceremonies to observe the anniversary of the Flag Day resolution. This initiative attracted attention from the State Department of Education, which arranged to have the day observed in all public schools thereafter.

Both President Wilson, in 1916, and President Coolidge, in 1927, issued proclamations asking for June 14 to be observed as the National Flag Day. But it wasn't until August 3, 1949, that Congress approved the national observance, and President Harry Truman signed it into law.

Today, the flag that waves so proudly over our great nation bears the 50 stars representing our states. It is the symbol of "the land of the free and the home of the brave". It is also the land blessed so immensely by God our Father as reflected in the Pledge of Allegiance which says, "One Nation, under God with Liberty and Justice for All."

We hope you find this brief history interesting. This will be our final contribution as the ASRDA Chaplains for the past 6 years, and we wish God's richest blessings to everyone associated with the newsletter and the square dance activities we all enjoy so very much. Hubert and Lorraine O'Neal



## EDITORS MUSINGS

A quick reminder that the RCS Newsletter will not be published next month. The next issue will be for August 2023.

As many of you know, this issue (June 2023) will be last issue Lorraine and I will be editors of the Round the Capital Squares ASRDA newsletter. It has been an interesting and often challenging endeavor and one for which we will always be thankful.

Many of our square dance friends have been very supportive of our efforts over the past four years of editorship as well as eight years of serving as ASRDA Chaplains. It would be impossible to name everyone who supported us in so many ways during this time. However, we want to say a special thanks to Brooke Peters, James Pender and Mike Goggin who collectively assumed the editorship duties during the time I was hospitalized and the following recovery time during the Covid pandemic. I was totally incapacitated during that time but thanks to these three, not an issue was missed.

A new person has stepped forth and she is one who will be a real blessing to the editorship position. The next issue (August 2023) will be under the editorship of Vickie Merchant. Vickie was very instrumental in developing the new ASRDA website and I am sure she will make many improvements to the RCS newsletter.

Again, we appreciate all club secretaries who submitted articles over the years for inclusion in the newsletters. Keep up the good work.

We look forward to seeing you all around the squares in the future.



**STEP N' STYLE ROUNDS**

We had a great weekend at Mid-Tex. They had a talented caller, Bob Asp, and cuers, Paul & Linda Robinson from Oklahoma. There were 14 + squares in the hall and we would especially like to thank the people from out of town who attended for the first time and hope that they will join us again next year.

Don't forget our Blast Class is coming up May 30th in La Grange. We will be teaching Rumba IV "Carnival". Come early and stay late for some general dancing.

For the month of June, Tricia will be attending Roundalab Convention as she is receiving a scholarship. Unfortunately, that is the same weekend as State, so we will be missing State in College Station. The following week we will be going to Alabama for Nationals where we will present our own choreography, a Ph IV, Slow Two Step and Tricia will be cueing some rounds. Then in July we will be attending ICBDA in Winston-Salem NC.

We have the ASRDA president's installation dance scheduled for July 15th at Hyde Park where they will be serving BBQ cooked by Chet Miles with a dance to follow with Brad and Ron.

If anyone has a piece of music they really like, send it to me (or the name and artist) and I will attempt to write the choreography to it. I'm always looking for new songs.

Happy Dancing, Tricia & Dennis [morleyprop@gmail.com](mailto:morleyprop@gmail.com) 713-598-8875

**JUNE 2023 Classes**

**Mon 2 - 4 pm Rumba/Cha, Ph. III/IV, wkshp & figs.**

Richard & Meg Weekley Community Center,  
8440 Greenhouse Road, Cypress 77433

**Tues 5:30 - 7:00 pm Rumba/Cha, Ph. III/IV, wkshp & figs.**

**7:00 - 9:00 pm SSD Square Dance Lessons,**  
Randolph Center, 653 E. Pearl St., La Grange

**Wed 6:00 - 7:30 pm SSD Square Dance Lessons,**

**7:30 - 9:00 pm Rounds All Rhythms,**  
Open Dancing Ph II - VI, practice time  
Bastrop Comm. Center 1209 Linden St. Bastrop

**Sun 1: 00 - 2:30 pm Rumba/Cha, Ph. III/IV, wkshp & figs.**

**2:30 - 4:00 pm Waltz, Ph. III/IV, wkshp & figs.**

**4:00 - 5:30 pm Advanced All Rhythms, wkshp & figs.**

Sun City, Atrium, 1 Texas Dr, Georgetown

We have changed our dance time to 6:45-8:45 pm. We dance MS with at least one Plus tip. Wayne Weston always has a line dance or two-step tune for our dancing pleasure between tips. Come see us any Thursday – and come early to enjoy a quick dinner at the Blue Bonnet Café at 5:45 pm or any of the other neat restaurants in Marble Falls.

The Mid-Tex Festival was outstanding this year. It was great to visit with all the dancers we had met as we visited other clubs to participate in the Club Visitation challenge. We proudly accepted the \$200 prize again, but we know our biggest reward was dancing with all of you at your clubs.

So, it's on to State and Nationals in June. We will be **DARK** on June 15<sup>th</sup> to accommodate the church VBS program and because many of us will be in Bryan for the State Festival.

### **WHEEL-N-DEALS BLURB FOR JUNE 2023**

Wheel-N-Deals did a demo dance on May 5<sup>th</sup> for the Home School group that two of our dancers attend. The home schoolers normally have PE at the San Marcos Rec Center so that is where the demo dance was. We started out with three or four squares but by the end there were only two. The kids found line dancing and the Hokey Pokey much more fun than square dancing so we focused on those dances. The parents were there as well and they probably liked the square dancing more than their children. There were other activities going on in the gym such as basketball and dodge ball so it was really hard to hear Chet Miles call. In the future we might try getting a room other than the gym where we can close a door and not have extraneous noise. We should also include only the students and parents who want to try square dancing. We were able to find out that fall was the preferred time for this group to take square dance lessons.

Don and Beth Rankin returned safely from their cruise and are back in charge of the club. The Chet Miles, Gary Bible and club members continue to support Dan McDonald as he learns to call. Dan has requested eight dancers meet at his house on Sunday afternoons so he can practice his calling on them. He lives in Neiderwald, TX. If you are interested in being in a practice square you can get more information from Dan at Wheel-N-Deals on Tuesday evenings or Canyon Lake on Wednesdays.

"Birthday Tuesdays" continue on the first Tuesday of the month. We celebrate birthdays and anniversaries of club members celebrating during that particular month. There is always cake so stop by and have some.



Pictures from Wheel-N-Deals Demo

**CAROUSEL CLUB #340**

What a great Mid-Tex Festival we had! Your Mid-Tex Committee did an outstanding job in the preparation of your Festival. Everyone we have talked to has told us how enjoyable it was to be there. We even heard this from one couple from the Houston area who were unable to attend. When you see some of your Mid-Tex Festival Committee members, please thank them for the great job they did in putting together the festival for your pleasure.

Bob Asp, the Festival caller, with Paul and Linda Robinson the featured callers, did an outstanding job keeping the attendees dancing shoes moving to the music. Unfortunately, we had a slight "hic-up" with the Round Dance hall, but that did not stop the Robinson's from providing the dancers some very enjoyable dances. Kay and I would like to thank Wayne Weston for the fantastic job he did as the MC for the "Trails End Dance." He kept the floor moving, while programming the many callers that came to share their talents with the dancers. A BIG THANK YOU to all these talented callers for sharing their talent to make the "Trails End Dance" the success it was. This dance is catching on. We had 6 squares dancing, which doubled the number of last year's attendance. Wayne, thank you for doing such a great job for the Association and also for providing the sound for the festival.

We, Carousel Club #340, are staying busy reviewing the dances from Mid-Tex and preparing for the Texas State Square and Round Dance Festival in Bryan TX, and the National Square Dance Convention in Mobile AL. We are looking forward to both Festivals, and we will be teaching at both of them. These dances are always a lot of fun. After the Nationals we will be going dark for the month of July, because we will be taking a group to the UK. Bob is telling everyone that he has a pint waiting for him in the Pub. We are looking forward to this trip and the fun we will have with the group traveling with us.

In August we will be starting our dance program with a short break in the middle of the month. We are on the staff for "Eureka Spring Round Dance Vacation" featuring Pamela and Jeff Johnson and ourselves. We believe there are a few spots left if you care to join us for the week. We also have one spot open for our tour to Southern Europe: Germany, Austria, Switzerland, and Czech Republic this September. This will be our "Farewell Tour" to this part of Europe. It is getting harder and harder to rent vehicles over there and we would like to go back one more time to thank the many friends we have made during the past years while doing our tours. They have been wonderful to us and friends who have joined us on our tours. This will be the "Best Tour" you will ever go on, so come and join us.

Take care and have a great summer.

## SHIRTS 'N' SKIRTS

Like so many of the clubs have already mentioned, we too were extremely impressed with the 2023 Mid-Tex Festival. The committee is certainly to be commended for a great program, decorations, caller and cuers. We were very pleased to see a good turnout of our recently graduated class who came and participated. The experienced dancers welcomed the new dancers into their square and complimented them on their dancing abilities. Overall, it was a great weekend.

Our May dances were well attended, and our new dance schedule seems to be working out quite well. We are now offering a good mix of not only mainstream with announced plus squares with round dancing and line dancing between tips. Our next special dance will be our annual Ice Cream Social Dance on July 12, 2023. Brad Caldwell will be calling and the Pates will be cueing for your enjoyment.

We are also looking forward to the ASRDA Installation Dance and BBQ on July 15, 2023, to be held at Hyde Park Christian Church in Austin. Our own Brad Caldwell will be the caller and rounds will be cued by Ron & Pat Plouch from San Antonio. RSVP's are required and due by July 8, 2023.

Come visit us on Wednesday evenings at Christ Lutheran Church in Georgetown, Texas. See you soon.

## WATERLOO SQUARES

Waterloos have had an eventful month with graduation of 9 students on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of May with Gary Bible, as their mighty leader and Teacher. Then the following week on the 30<sup>th</sup> we will have the Root Beer Float dance to usher in summer with Chet Miles. On July 18<sup>th</sup> we will have Brad Caldwell call for our 50s dance with ice cream sundaes as an added treat. I'm fairly sure Brad will bring Elvis or at least he will "be in the building."

We are planning our next set of lessons to start on July 27<sup>th</sup>. Gary Bible will be our instructor again. If you want something to do on a Thursday night, come and help us angel. We will be at Shepherd of the Hills Church at 3525 Bee Caves Rd in Austin. Mainstream starts at 7 to 8:45 and plus is from 8:45 to 9:45.

Sue Gillar is planning an engagement party for her granddaughter who is to be married on September 22. Looks like it's finally going to happen.

Maxine Barnett has just been in the hospital with tests to try and find out why she has so much trouble catching her breath. Unfortunately, she found out she has congestive heart problems. We were happy to see her released from the hospital and receive the medication she needs. Bruce and Wanda Carter traveled to the Northeast to help set up a dance in Maine. When they returned, Bruce was sick with a heavy duty cold. He tested 3 times for Covid and felt comfortable he didn't have it. They made some fun stops along the way back. Some of our members have traveled to different states for graduations. It's hard to believe it is that time of year again.

I plan to have more news about our special dances in the next newsletter. We love to see everyone when we have these dances as well as attend other special dances around the capital square.

# The Texas State Federation of Square and Round Dancers®

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## 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Texas State

## Square & Round Dance Festival

# *Square - Round the World... Texas Style*

Trail End Dance

Thursday, June 15

Texas State Callers' Association

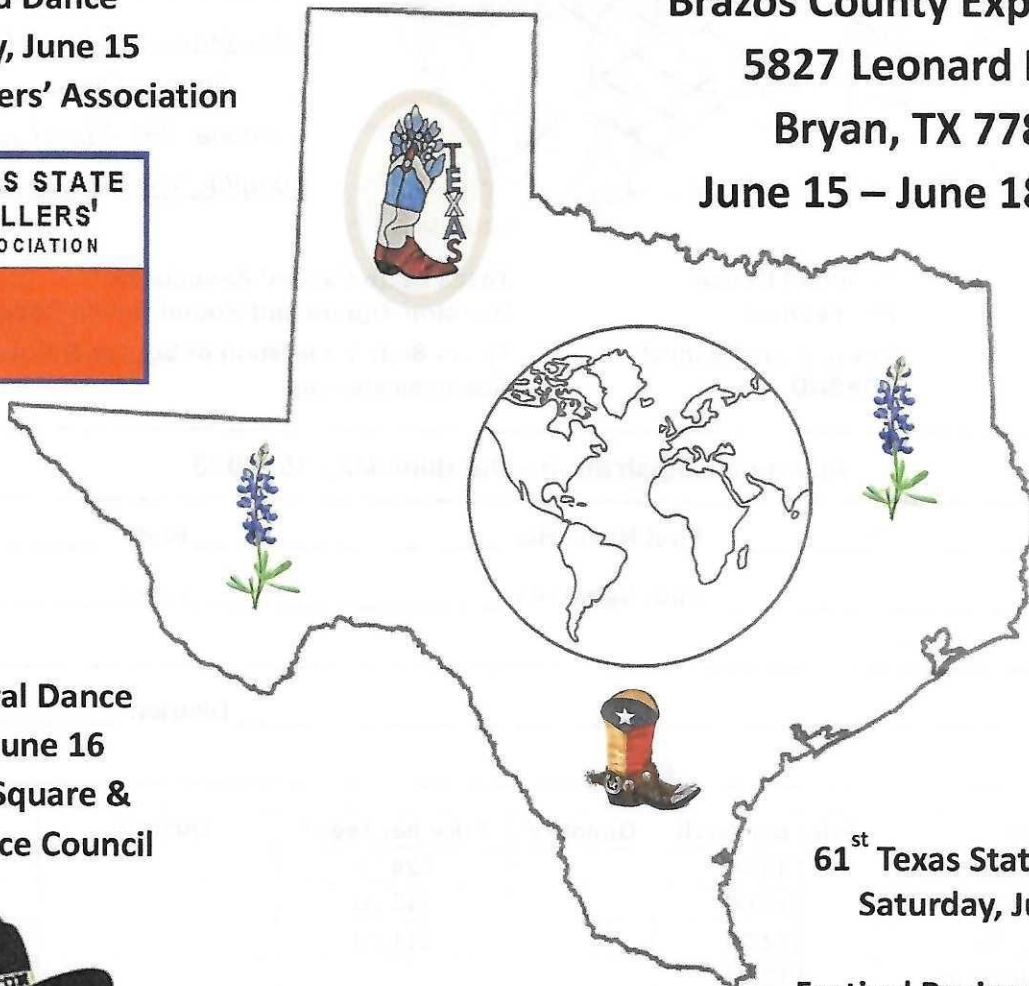


Brazos County Expo Center

5827 Leonard Road

Bryan, TX 77807

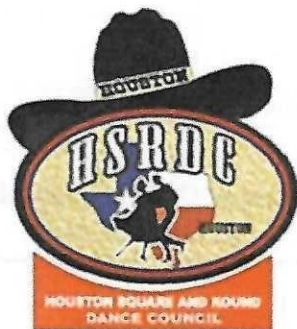
June 15 – June 18, 2023



Pre-Festival Dance

Friday, June 16

Houston Square &  
Round Dance Council



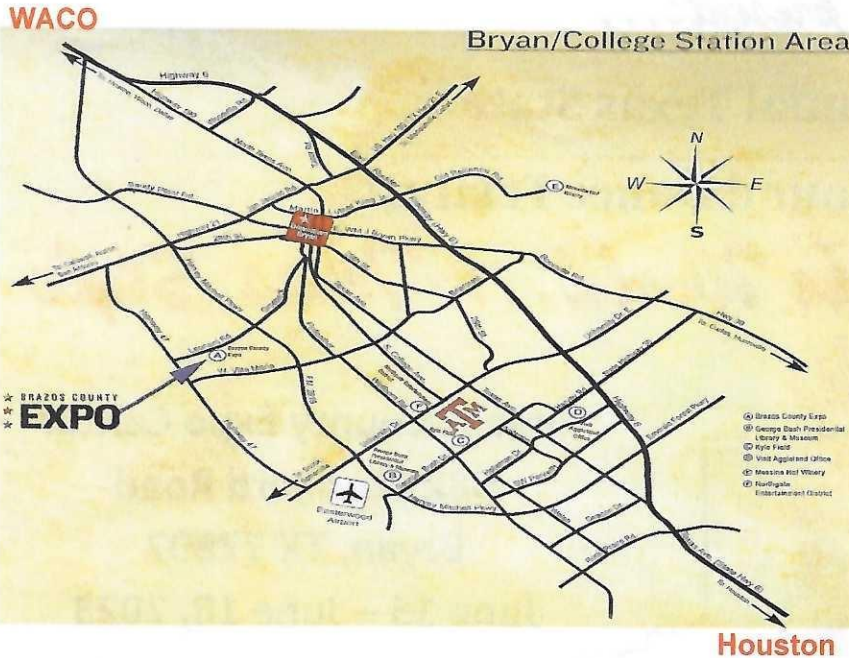
61<sup>st</sup> Texas State Festival  
Saturday, June 17

Festival Business Meeting  
9 a.m. Sunday, June 18



# 2023 State Festival, Bryan Texas, June 15 – 17, 2023 Registration Form

For hotel and camping information see attached sheet



### Festival Chairman

Tina & Everett Kelly

Cell: 417-766-5419

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### Assistant Festival Chairmen

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Thursday:

Friday:

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Trail End Dance

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Texas State Callers' Association

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Business Meeting

## Advance Registration – Deadline May 15, 2023

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name His: \_\_\_\_\_ Hers: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name His: \_\_\_\_\_ Hers: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Package	Price per Adult	Quantity	Price per Teen*	Quantity	TOTAL
Thurs, Fri & Sat (save \$7.00)	\$48.00		\$24.00		
Fri & Sat (save \$5.00)	\$36.00		\$18.00		
Sat Only (save \$3.00)	\$22.00		\$11.00		
Festival Printed Program	\$12.00				
*Dancers 18 & under are half price – Teen Scholarship Recipients admitted free					Total Amount Paid

10% cancellation fee after May 15 and no refunds after May 31, 2023

Admission at the door: Thursday - \$14.00; Friday - \$16.00; Saturday - \$25.00

3-day Package - \$55; Friday-Saturday Package - \$41

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Check payable to: TSFSRD

Mail to: TSFSRD, c/o Kim Bainbridge, 11618 Mesa Wells, Tomball, TX 77377

This Registration form is also available at [www.squaredancetx.com](http://www.squaredancetx.com)

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**Texas State Federation of Square and Round Dancers®**  
**61<sup>st</sup> Annual Texas State Square & Round Dance Festival**  
**Brazos County Expo Center, 5827 Leonard Road, Bryan, TX 77807**

**Square-Round the World....Texas Style**

**HOTEL INFORMATION:** There are many hotels in the area to choose from. Prices vary from as low as \$99.00 per night to a high of \$149.00 per night. There is no HOST hotel for all events will be taking place at the Brazos County Expo Center.

Home 2 Suites by Hilton 300 Texas Ave South College Station, TX 77840	Tel: 979-703-8288  Complimentary Breakfast
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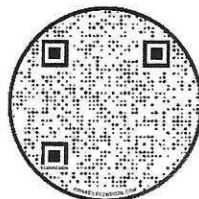
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**RV INFORMATION:**

Brazos County Expo Center 5827 Leonard Road Bryan, TX 77807 \$30.00 per night	Water & electric – <u>need to specify 30 Amp or 50 Amp.</u> There is a dump station on site. Call Donny Chappell (Tel: 979-823-3976) to reserve site.
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**Area information QR Code**

Use dropdown menu for restaurant information

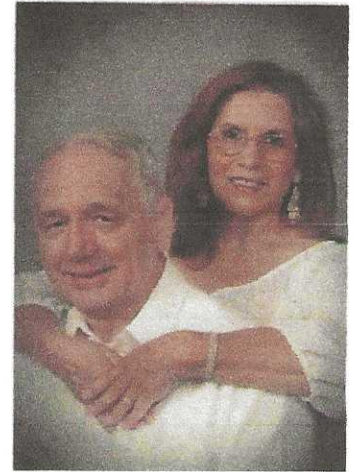




# Shirts 'n' Skirts Ice Cream Social



Caller Brad Caldwell



Cuers Lucy & Jerry Pate

Wednesday July 12, 2023  
7:00 to 7:30 Pre-Rounds  
7:30 to 9:30 Squares & Rounds 2+2

Christ Lutheran Church  
510 Luther Drive Georgetown, Texas  
Directions: From the south on IH 35, take EXIT 260.  
From the north on IH 35 take EXIT 260. Turn West at Leander  
Road (2243) and turn left at the first street, which is Luther Drive.  
Church is one and a half blocks on the left.

Donation \$10



# ASRDA Installation

## Bar-B-Q Dinner and Dance

**Saturday, July 15, 2023**

Hyde Park Christian Church

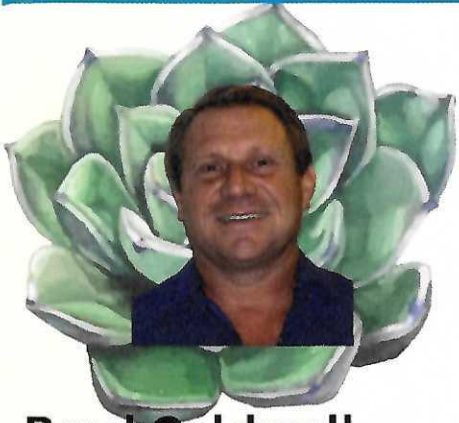
610 E. 45th St., Austin, TX

*Donation: \$12 pp OR*

*Just Dinner \$5.pp- Just Dance \$7 pp*

You **MUST** RSVP to

***AustinSRDA@gmail.com by 7/8/23***



**Brad Caldwell**  
Caller



**Ron & Pat Plouch**  
Cuers



**Dinner - 5:45-6:45 pm**  
**Pre-Rounds - 7:00-7:30 pm**  
**Dance 7:30-9:30 pm**





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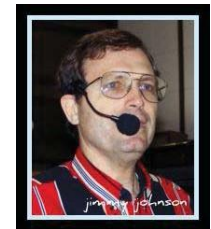
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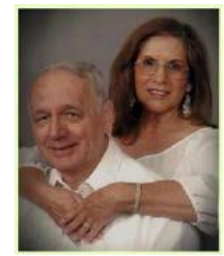
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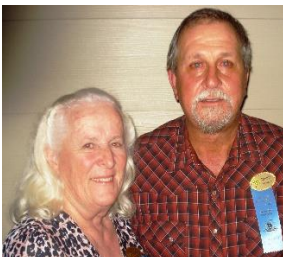
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### Austin SRDA Dance Clubs by Dance Day

#### Monday

**Carousel Club #340**, 1:00 – 3:00 pm PM Phase 4-5 Workshop; 6:00 pm – 7:30 PM Phase 3- Intro Phase 4 workshop; 7:30 – 10:00 pm Phase 4 Workshop.  
Circle K Ranch, 8521 RR 1869, Liberty Hill  
Cuers: Bob “Ski” and Kay Kurczewski  
[roundsbyskis@juno.com](mailto:roundsbyskis@juno.com)  
Ski cell (956) 781-8453, Kay cell (956) 460-7520

**Centex Plus Club** 7:00 – 9:00 PM Plus/DBD  
VFW Post 3513, 1701 Hunter Rd., San Marcos  
Chet Miles (512) 947-7890, [cmiles10@austin.rr.com](mailto:cmiles10@austin.rr.com)

**Come N'Take It Squares** INACTIVE

**Lone Star Lambdas** 6:30 – 8:30 PM MS/P  
[info@longestarlambdas.org](mailto:info@longestarlambdas.org) Gethesemane Lutheran  
Church, 200 West Anderson Lane, Austin  
Pres: Tom Barrett [pdxtdbear@gmail.com](mailto:pdxtdbear@gmail.com)  
Caller: Dan Clairmont (949) 351-1284  
Casual Attire <http://www.lonestarlamdbdas.org>

**Step 'N Style Rounds** 2 – 4 PM Phase III Workshop  
and Figures. Richard & Meg Weekley Community  
Center, 8440 Greenhouse Road. Cypress, TX 77433.  
Tricia Morley (713) 598-8875 [morleyprop@mail.com](mailto:morleyprop@mail.com);  
Dennis Artz (713) 305-3487 [den.artz@gmail.com](mailto:den.artz@gmail.com)

#### Tuesday

**Carousel Club #340** 7:00 – 9:00 PM Beginner class  
(Contact us for Rhythm we are currently teaching)  
Circle K Ranch, 8521 RR 1869, Liberty Hill  
Cuers: Bob “Ski” and Kay Kurczewski  
[roundsbyskis@juno.com](mailto:roundsbyskis@juno.com)  
Ski cell (956) 781-8453, Kay cell (956) 460-7520

**La Grange Roadrunners** 7:00 – 9:00 PM MS/Plus No  
5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday; Round and line dancing between tips  
Randolph Recreation Center, 653 East Pearl Street,  
La Grange

Pres. Jenny Baker, (281) 684-0648

[jennybaker61@gmail.com](mailto:jennybaker61@gmail.com)

Callers: Wayne Weston (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>) (210) 325-6598

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Al Frazier (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>) (512) 623-1932

[tsca@alfraziertx.com](mailto:tsca@alfraziertx.com)

**Step 'N Style Rounds** 5:30 – 7:00 PM Phase 3  
Workshop and figures. 7:00-9:00 PM SSD Square  
Dance lessons.

Randolph Recreation Center, 653 East Pearl Street, La  
Grange;

Tricia Morley (713) 598-8875 [morleyprop@mail.com](mailto:morleyprop@mail.com);

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**Waterloo Squares** 6:15 – 6:45 PM Line Dancing. 6:45 –  
8:45 PM Squares. MS/Plus & Line Dancing between tips  
South Austin Senior Activity Center, 3911 Manchaca  
Road, Austin

President: Nancy Olson (512) 626-6408

Visiting Callers

[www.waterloosquares.com](http://www.waterloosquares.com)

**Wheel-N-Deals** 7:00 -9:00 MS/announced Plus No 5<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesdays

VFW Post 3413, 1701 Hunter Road, San Marcos

Pres: Don Rankin [wheelndealsclub@gmail.com](mailto:wheelndealsclub@gmail.com)

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Gary Bible (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>) (512) 923-0410

[glbible@austin.rr.com](mailto:glbible@austin.rr.com)

#### Wednesday

**Canyon Lake Square Dancers** 6:00 – 6:30 PM  
workshop; 6:30 – 8:30 PM MS/Plus with lines and  
rounds between tips.

Location: Behind Goofy's Bar and Grill,  
13124 FM 306, Canyon Lake

Caller: Wayne Weston Cell: (210)325-6598

[wtweston@satx.rr.com](mailto:wtweston@satx.rr.com)



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### Austin SRDA Dance Clubs by Dance Day (continued)

#### Wednesday (continued)

##### **Shirts 'N' Skirts** 7:00 – 9:30 MS/P

Christ Lutheran Church, 510 Luther Drive, Georgetown  
Theme dances 2<sup>nd</sup> Weds. with rounds between tips.

Pres: Linda Davis, (512) 771-9393

[lkfarley67@yahoo.com](mailto:lkfarley67@yahoo.com)

Caller: Brad Caldwell (512) 507-7758

Rounds: Jerry & Lucy Pate(512) 250-5185

##### **Step 'N Style Rounds** 6:00 – 7:30 PM SSD Square

Dance Lessons. 7:30 – 9:00 PM Rounds all Rhythms.  
Open Dancing Ph 2 – 6, Practice time

Bastrop Community Center, 1209 Linden Street, Bastrop

Tricia Morley (713) 598-8875 [morleyprop@mail.com](mailto:morleyprop@mail.com)

Dennis Artz (713) 305-3487 [den.artz@gmail.com](mailto:den.artz@gmail.com)

#### Thursday

##### **Carousel Club #340**, 10:00 AM-Noon Phase 2-3-4

Round Dance Party. 1:00 – 3:00 PM Phase 4 – 5 Round  
Dance Party.

Circle K Ranch, 8521 RR 1869, Liberty Hill

Cuers: Bob "Ski" and Kay Kurczewski

[roundsbyskis@juno.com](mailto:roundsbyskis@juno.com)

Ski cell (956) 781-8453, Kay cell (956) 460-7520

##### **Country Cuzzins** 6:00 – 7:30 Lessons 7:30 – 9:00 PM

Club Dance

7 – 9:00 PM club dance when lessons aren't in session

First United Methodist Church, 1101 Bluebonnet Drive,  
Marble Falls

President: Burt Carpenter (316) 350-4443

[bwcarp2@gmail.com](mailto:bwcarp2@gmail.com)

Caller: Wayne Weston (210) 325-6598

[wteston@satx.rr.com](mailto:wteston@satx.rr.com)

<http://www.countrycuzzins.com>

##### **Taylor Promenaders** Lessons at 7:00 PM Club Dance at 8:15 PM

Trip Center, 1517 McClain St., Building C, Taylor

Caller: Al Frazier (512) 632-1932 [tsca@alfraziertx.com](mailto:tsca@alfraziertx.com)

#### Sunday

##### **Ronde Rounds** 2:00-3:00 PM Phase 3 – 5, 3:00-4:00 PM Phase 2 – 3;

4:00 – 5:00 PM Beginners Round Dance Lessons

Hermann Sons Ballroom, 525 S. St. Mary's St., San  
Antonio

Pat & Ron Plouch (210) 381-9179

[ronpatdance@gmail.com](mailto:ronpatdance@gmail.com)

##### **Step 'N Style Rounds** 1:00-2:30 PM Beginner Waltz, workshop & figures. 2:30 – 4:00 PM Intermediate Cha, workshop & figures; 4:00 – 5:30 PM Advanced Rumba, workshop & Figures. Sun City, Atrium, 1 Texas Dr., Georgetown.

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