The Roundup

President's Letter

A new year is upon us and I am amazed at how quickly the last few months have flown by. I've been hard at work getting the State 2026 convention in place and have had the chance to talk to some amazing callers and cuers from around the US. During these talks, something stood out in those conversations with people from areas that are seeing a resurgence in Square Dancing. That was their focus on growing callers.

As important as it is to always be looking for new dancers to join, we also need to be growing our pool of callers and cuers. We are lucky to have some amazing callers and cuers in Nebraska, but that is one area we need to help develop and encourage people to look into. How do we encourage people to become callers and cuers? How do we go about promoting that part of dancing? I realize these are hard questions with no easy answers, but they are questions we need to be looking at if we want Square Dancing to grow in Nebraska, especially the western part of the state. If anyone has any ideas, please reach out!

I'd also like to encourage everyone to check out as many different clubs as possible, especially when traveling. We had one such traveler from the Netherlands join us for a few dances on his travels through the US. He had also attended the State convention and said he looked at Square Dance pages as he traveled which helped him plan his route, so you never know who you may encounter! I'm hoping to get the chance to do some exploring with my family this summer.

I hope you had a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to everyone.

Adam Ward 2024 - 2026 Square and Round Dance President





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The next meeting of the State General Membership board will be set and announced for the officers.

When Federation or State Representative Officers change PLEASE provide the Roundup Editor with their names, address, phone, and email address so I can keep the information current.



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Northeast Federation

Northeast Federation State Rep Report

Wishing everyone a Very Happy New Year for 2025 and hopefully you had a Blessed Christmas.

Weather Report: First taste of winter in the northeast happened over Thanksgiving weekend with anywhere from a trace to a couple inches of snow depending on location. More possibilities for the week ahead – fun fun! As usual with winter weather approaching it is always a good idea to call ahead before traveling to a dance as one never knows about conditions a couple hours, or less, away.

Hope you had a great Thanksgiving and didn't overdo at the table, but where is the fun in that? Plus food comas are a great time of relaxation!

Fun square dancing is happening up north but with all the holiday events and commitments it sometimes shortens the crowd a bit. Hopefully weather will continue to cooperate on dance days but one never knows.

Mark your calendar for the Northeast Federation Spring Dance that will be held, Friday, April 25, 2025 (that is first Friday after Easter) with Jesse Millspaugh calling. Once again it will be held in Hadar, NE. Watch for further details.

Town Twirlers – Randolph

All dances are 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. at the Randolph City Auditorium. January 5 – Lyle Waterhouse January 19 – Kenard Swift February 2 – Chuck Veldhuizen February 16 – Darwin Barker.

<u>Single Wheelers – Norfolk</u> We dance from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Westridge United Methodist Church January 21 – Lyle Waterhouse January 7 – Wayne Lorenzen February 4 – Wayne Lorenzen for a special treat of chili and cinnamon rolls February 18 – Kenard Swift

Make sure you check the state website for the latest info on the dance schedule. Get out and dance so you are ready for the special events this spring!

Rick & Mary Christensen Northeastern State Representative



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Southeast Federation

Southeast Federation State Rep Report

Hope you have had happy, healthy and safe holidays and are ready to start dancing in 2025!

York Shirts and Skirts will be dancing on Jan. 4 with Ken Marks calling. This will be soup night—great during the cold days of January! Come and enjoy them with us. On Jan. 18 Wayne Lorenzen will be calling. In February the dances will be with Ken Marks calling on Feb. 1 and Lyle Waterhouse on Feb. 15. The theme of that dance is Cupid's Arrow. These dances are at the York Senior Center, 725 N. Nebraska Ave., in York, Nebraska. There is a Plus portion of the dance from 7:00 – 7:30, with Mainstream dancing from 7:30—9:30 PM.

The Lincoln Live Lively club will be dancing on the second Sunday afternoons of each month, except May, for all of 2025, from 2:00—4:00 PM, with Lyle Waterhouse calling. These dances are held at Sacred Heart School gym, 340 N. 31st St., in Lincoln. We will have dances on January 12 and February 9.

We are currently planning on having lessons with Lyle Waterhouse again in Lincoln beginning in January. The lessons will be on Sunday afternoons from 1:00—3:00 PM, starting Jan. 19 and lasting until March 30. The lessons will be held at Sacred Heart school gym, the same location as the dances. Check the website and Facebook to verify starting dates and times. Please contact Lyle or Deborah Waterhouse at lylewaterhouse@gmail.com or (402) 203-4738 (Lyle) or (402) 659-5539 (Deborah) for further information.

We have a Facebook page!! Check out York/Lincoln Square Dance Club on Facebook to see some of what the York and Lincoln clubs have been up to. Follow us to keep up on our current events and happenings.

Roger Hansen and Janet Buck Southeastern State Representative

Central Federation

Central Federation State Rep Report

Currently there are no dances scheduled. Stay tuned to the website for when dancing resumes.







Eastern Federation

Eastern Federation State Rep Report

I am glad to report that most of our clubs are conducting lessons and our new dancers seem to be progressing very well.

Amazing 8's will dance on January 4th, with two callers Mike Hogan and Lanny Weaklend and Amy Swift cueing the rounds. On January 18th they dance with Lanny Weaklend and Mike Schrant. Lanny returns on February 1st with Amy Swift cueing. Lanny is also scheduled for the February 15th "Valentine's Day Dance" with Mike Schrant cueing the rounds.

<u>Belles N' Beaus</u> has caller Darwin Barker on January 10th, and Jim Tucker on the rounds. "Pie Night" is the theme for the January 24th dance with Darwin calling and Jim Tucker cueing. Mike Hogan will call the "Be My Valentine" dance on February 7th and will be joined by Jim Tucker for the rounds. Lyle Waterhouse will call the February 21st dance and Jim Tucker will cue.

<u>Crossfire Squares</u> has Lanny Weaklend calling and cueing the dances, except on special occasions. The club will be dancing on January 14th & 28th and February 11th & 25th.

<u>Heartland Singles</u> have Doug Phillips calling their January 7th dance with Darwin Barker cueing the rounds. Lanny Weaklend has the mic on January 21st for both calling and cueing. Kenard and Amy Swift join for calling and cueing the February 4th dance. Lanny returns to call and cue the February 18th dance.

Loess Hills Squares has Wayne Lorenzen behind the mic on January 11th and Kenard Swift will call the January 25th dance. On February 8th Lyle Waterhouse will be their caller. On February 22nd new caller Jesse Millspaugh will have the mic. Amy Swift is their club cuer. River City Squares "Happy New Year" dance on January 3rd has Lanny Weaklend calling and Amy Swift on the rounds. The theme for the January 17th dance is "Beat Around the Bush" with Bryan Bush and Mike Schrant. Kenard Swift calls their "TFIWS Backward Day" dance on January 31st with Amy Swift joining him for the rounds. Doug McCart and Mike Schrant will entertain the dancers on the February 14th "Feel the Love" dance. Gary Smith calls the February 28th dance with Amy Swift on the rounds.

Tom & Jan Robbins
Eastern State Representative





Dancers at Belles 'N' Beaus dance with Doug Phillips calling.



Round dancers at Loess Hills Squares dance with Carla Peck cueing.



Dancers at Loess Hills Squares dance with Barry Peck calling.



Look close at this square, dancing at Amazing 8's Turkey Trot, and you will find one male. Nine year-old Zachary Bennett was the only male dancing with these seven ladies. He did an awesome job, even though he said it was very confusing. GREAT JOB ZACHARY!!



Round dancers, Gloria Borgstahl and Mike Schrant with their turkey has at Amazing 8's Turkey Trot dance.

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Northeast/Southeast/Central/Western Federation Dance Schedule

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@ Rockbrook Methodist Church—Omaha

2/9/25 2:00 p.m. All Callers All Cuers

Eastern Federation MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND @ St. Martha Episcopal Church—Omaha

5/24/25 8:00 p.m. Dan Sahlstrom & Mike Hogan Ron & Norma Stairs 5/25/25 9:30 a.m. Dan Sahlstrom & Mike Hogan Ron & Norma Stairs

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7/18/25 7:30 p.m. Mike Hogan & Lanny Weaklend 7/19/25 7:30 p.m. Mike Hogan & Lanny Weaklend

LABOR DAY DANCE @ St. Martha Episcopal Church—Omaha

8/29/25 8:00 p.m. Jerry Junck Amy Swift

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10:00 am to 12:00 noon - Dancing

12:00 noon to 1:30 pm - Lunch Bresk

1:30 pm to 5:00 pm - Dancing

5:00 pm to 7:15 pm - Dinner Break

7:15 pm to 10:30 pm - Dancing

After Party at host hotel, bring your own snack & drink

SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2025

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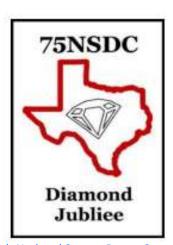
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I cried. I laughed

I felt you nearby

I held things that you had loved. I held them to my face

I wished they still smelled like you.

I wished you were still here in this room.

I closed my eyes and pretended that you were.

You left so many things behind.

When God took you away.

Your clothes ... your books ... pictures ...

and ME.

Until the day that I join you, I will be missing you.

God has them in his hands . . . We have them in our hearts. They will always be remembered!

What's Cooking

HAM BALLS

Preheat oven to 350° F.

Ingredients

- 3 lbs ground ham
- 2 lbs ground pork
- 1 lb ground beef
- 3 eggs beaten
- 3 c graham cracker crumbs
- 2 c milk

Mix meat ingrediets and shape into balls of about 1/3 c each

Sauce

2 cans tomato soup (undiluted)

3/4 c vinegar

2 1/2 c brown sugar

2 tsp dry mustard

Combine and pour over meat

Bake at 350° for 1 hour





PINEAPPLE ANGEL FOOD CAKE

Preheat oven to 350° F.

Ingredients

- 1 box 1 step angel food cake mix
- 1 20oz can crushed pineapple (with juice)

Directions:

Mix together in a mixing bowl and pour into 9x13 cake pan.

Bake at 350° for 35 minutes or until done.

My dad made this once and mixed it right in the 9x13 cake pan and it came out fine.



Nebraska State Square & Round Dance Association

The Nebraska State Square and Round Dance Association has as its purposes:

- To promote fun and fellowship through square dancing, round dancing, contra, and clogging.
- To coordinate dance activities of member clubs.
- To encourage and assist persons interested in forming new clubs, advise and assist member clubs with their problems, and sponsors' state wide activities, such as the annual state weekend.

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