

The Roundup

Nebraska State Square & Round Dance Association



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President's Letter

Happy Summer Everyone!

This time of year has been a busy one. From baseball to summer camps, the time seems to just fly by as all of my children are pulled in different directions for their summer activities. Thankfully, I only had to spend one week at camp, but it was a blast and I'm always grateful for the time outdoors away from technology.

My daughter had the opportunity to attend the Colorado State Square and Round Dance. According to her, Nebraska was very well represented. She made several friends in the teen room and invited many of them to come to our State Dance, so I'm hoping we can welcome several of them in September. She also got to put her crafting skills to use by sewing a storage bag for her petticoat and a cut out a leather bandana holder that attaches to a belt.

Over this past year, I have come into possession of several pieces of hardware and a few hundred records. If you know of anyone who is interested in calling or cueing but they need some equipment, please have them reach out as I may be able to help them with what they need. I also plan to catalogue the record collection so if anyone is searching for something, please let me know and I will look as I get them inventoried.

I know this time of year many clubs slow down due to vacations, but if you are able to, please continue to support the clubs that are having dances as well as our own State dance. This is a great time to invite friends to just come and watch. They can enjoy the music, the fellowship, and maybe even find they want to take lessons.

For those traveling, travel safe and we will see you at the next dance.

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Nebraska Square and Round Dance President





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Chair:

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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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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

We hope everyone is enjoying their summer and getting ready to start back dancing in August.

Clubs still dancing during the summer:

Heartland Singles have Lanny Weakland calling and cueing their July 7th dance. Kansas caller Sue Dellere is calling the July 21 dance and Amy Swift will be cueing the rounds.

Crossfire Squares - plus club has Lanny Weakland calling and cueing the July 14th & 28th dances.

Unfortunately, Lanny Weakland and Mike Hogan WILL NOT be holding their Johnson Get-Away weekend on July 17th & 18th, see next page.

The annual Fall Kickoff dance, sponsored by the Omaha Callers and Cuers and the Omaha Square Dance Council, will be August 16th from 2:00 - 4:30 at Rockbrook Church, 99th & Center. An Omaha Area Square Dance Council meeting will follow the dance. Each area club should send a member to attend and give a report.

Tom & Jan Robbins
Eastern State Representative



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Summer Weekend Get-A-Way with Lanny & Mike

It is with regret that we announce the end of the Summer Weekend Get-A-Way with Lanny & Mike. After 33+ years of the weekend, we are unable to provide a quality experience this year.

We recently learned that Rick and Amy were finally able to sell the Arbor Manor at the beginning of the year. We are grateful for the many years they worked with us to make the weekend a delightful experience. We congratulate them on their retirement.

Unfortunately, the new hotel owner has raised prices significantly, dropped the continental breakfast, and no longer owns the restaurant. It was not likely that we could hold after-parties in the Manor without additional charges. For these reasons, we decided it was best to end the weekend and retain many years of happy memories.

We do want to commemorate the end with a FAREWELL DANCE. It will be held on Saturday, July 18, at Rockbrook United Methodist Church, 9855 West Center Road in Omaha. (Flyer attached)

There will be 2 sessions:
Plus session from 2:00 to 4:30 pm
Mainstream with Rounds session from 7:00 to 9:30 pm

\$9 per person per session
Everyone is welcome

We hope to see you there but understand the travel distance is long for many of you.

Sincerely,
Lanny & Carol



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Northeast Federation

Northeast Federation State Rep Report

Weather report: A couple good rains in April/May. A late, but good start. Technically the drought conditions have improved but from a practical standpoint, not really. However, if we can just avoid the “big weather events” we shall be happy.

April 10th was the Northeast Nebraska Federation Spring Dance with Tony Lund calling. It was a great time with dancers from several clubs. The theme was “Bee Happy – Bee Healthy – Square Dance”. The hall was decorated with bees, black & yellow. The always favorite “Build Your Own Sundae” was served following the dance. Fun, Fun, Fun.

Free dances honoring Dan & Diane Svitak for their 45th Anniversary on April 21 and May 5 was Rick & Mary Christensens anniversary. (see below pictures). Jerry Junck was the caller/MC for both dances.

Barn Time and ice cream in the Northeast: Somehow square dancing in a barn just feels right! Single Wheelers of Norfolk started the summer with a treat by having Jerry Junck calling at our first barn dance of the year. Barn dances will continue for July and August, then back to town in Sept.

Fifty years of dancing for Single Wheelers will be celebrated at our dance on September 1, 2026 with Jerry Junck calling/hosting. Jerry was also there helping us get started. Amazing how time flies. This dance will be in a special location in Hadar, NE The former Immanuel Lutheran School located at 105 W Elm, Hadar, NE (Note: this is NOT the usual fire hall in Hadar where we have danced in the past.) This will be a free dance.

Check the state website for info on all those special summer dances. Let us all get out and meet new people in new places inside and outside Nebraska.

Northeast Federation is once again planning on lessons/refresh starting August 10 with Jerry Junck as the instructor.

Hope to see you around the square soon.

Town Twirlers – Laurel

Still on summer vacation. Will resume dancing in September.

Single Wheelers – Norfolk, Pufahl Barn

July 7 – Jerry Junck Celebrate America 250, wear Red, White & Blue

July 21 – Wayne Lorenzen

Aug. 4 - Jerry Junck celebrating “Junck Night”, be the Best “Worst Dressed” dancers

Aug. 18 – Jesse Millspaugh

Rick & Mary Christensen

Northeastern State Representative



Dan & Diane Svitak



Rick & Mary Christensen



FREE Club

Anniversary Dance
Come celebrate 50 years
of dancing

**Single Wheelers
Square Dance Club**

Immanuel Lutheran School
105 W Elm, Hader. NE

Tuesday, September 1, 2026
Social Hour 6:30 - 7 p.m.
Dance 7 - 9 p.m.

Caller: Jerry Junck

Come Join the Fun
Reminiscing, Dancing,
Food, & Fellowship

It's a Party!!!

Southeast Federation

Southeast Federation State Rep Report

I hope your summer has been relaxing and you have had a chance to get to several dances, including some of the special summer dances. Below are the upcoming dances in the Southeast Federation.

York Shirts and Skirts will not dance in July. They will dance on Saturday, August 1, with Kenard Swift calling. Come at 7 PM for Plus dancing. Mainstream dancing will follow at 7:30. They will also dance on August 22, with Ken Marks calling. This is their annual summer picnic potluck. The potluck will be at 6:30, with the dance following at 7:30. Come join us for fellowship and fun. These dances are at the York Senior Center, 725 N. Nebraska Ave, York, Nebraska.

Lincoln Live Lively will continue to dance on the second Sunday afternoons of each month, from 2:00—4:00 PM, with Lyle Waterhouse calling. These dances will be at the New Visions United Methodist Church at 1610 S. 11th St., in Lincoln. Dances are in the basement but there is an elevator if needed. They will dance on July 12 and August 9.

Star City Squares has enjoyed some fantastic dancing over the last couple of months! One of the highlights was our Cowboy Theme Dance, "You've Got a Friend in Me," featuring special guest caller Kenard Swift, who welcomed Jesse Millspaugh to the microphone with him. Sporting his cowboy hat for the occasion, Kenard helped create a memorable evening filled with great dancing, laughter, and friendship. Be sure to check out the photos from the event below!

Looking ahead, Jesse Millspaugh will be calling on July 13, followed by special guest caller Lyle Waterhouse on July 20. Please note that the July 20 dance will be held on the third Monday of the month rather than our usual fourth Monday schedule. The theme for the evening is "Leis, Waves, and Sunshine Days," so wear your favorite Hawaiian attire and join us for our 1st Annual Ice Cream Social following the dance. In August, we'll dance on August 10 and 24 with Jesse Millspaugh calling both nights. All dances are held at Ironhide Construction Company, 3301 S. 7th St in Lincoln. Mainstream dancing runs from 6:30–8:30 PM, followed by Plus dancing from 8:30–9:00 PM. We also enjoy line dancing between every other tip, making for a fun evening with something for everyone.

Lincoln Area Square Dance Clubs will kick off a new round of beginner lessons on August 23. If you've been looking for a fun way to introduce someone to square dancing, now is the perfect opportunity. Invite your friends, invite your neighbors, invite a stranger you've always thought might enjoy dancing, and come on down together! The first lesson is free, making it easy for anyone to give square dancing a try. Help us grow the activity we love by bringing someone new to the dance floor.

Stay connected with the Southeast Federation on Facebook for updates and events! Visit <https://www.facebook.com/share/1WnwRqrARR/?mibextid=wwXlfr> or scan the QR code below for easy access.

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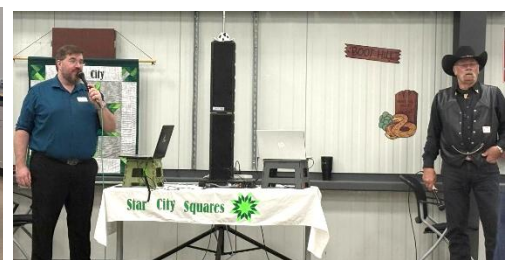
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Eastern Federation Dance Schedule

JULY 2026

Club
Theme
Caller
Cuer

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7 Heartland Singles Lanny Weaklend Lanny Weaklend	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 Crossfire Squares Lanny Weaklend Lanny Weaklend	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 Heartland Singles Sue Dellere Amy Swift	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 Crossfire Squares Lanny Weaklend Lanny Weaklend	29	30	31	

Amazing 8's 7:30pm -10:00pm Rockbrook Methodist Church 9855 W Center Rd Omaha	Belles 'N' Beaus 8:00pm -10:30pm Holy Cross Lutheran Church 4117 Terrace Dr Omaha	Crossfire Squares 7:30pm -10:00pm Rockbrook Methodist Church 9855 W Center Rd Omaha	Heartland Singles 7:30pm -10:00pm Rockbrook Methodist Church 9855 W Center Rd Omaha	Loess Hills Squares 7:00pm -9:30pm The Parlor 116 S 1st St Missouri Valley	River City Squares 7:30pm -10:00pm Faith Presbyterian Church 8100 Giles Rd Omaha
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The Roundup

Eastern Federation Dance Schedule

AUGUST 2026

Club
Theme
Caller
Cuer

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 Amazing 8's Beach Party Lanny Weaklend Mike Hogan
2	3	4 Heartland Singles Lanny Weaklend Lanny Weaklend	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 Crossfire Squares Lanny Weaklend Lanny Weaklend	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 Heartland Singles Mike Hogan Amy Swift	19	20	21	22
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Northeast/Southeast/Central/Western Federation Dance Schedule

Club
Theme
Caller
Cuer

JULY 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7 Single Wheelers Celebrate 250 yrs wear red/white/blue Jerry Junck	8	9	10	11
12 Lincoln Live Lively Lyle Waterhouse	13 Star City Squares Jesse Millspaugh	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 Star City Squares Leis, Waves & Ice Cream Days Lyle Waterhouse	21 Single Wheelers Wayne Lorenzen	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

York Shirts & Skirts 7:00pm-7:30pm Plus 7:30pm -9:30pm Main Stream Senior Center 725 Nebraska Ave York, NE	Live Lively Lincoln 2:00pm-4:00pm New Visions Church 1610 S 11th St. Lincoln, NE	Star City Squares 6:30pm-8:30pm MS 8:30pm-9:30pm Plus Ironhide Construction 3301 S 7th St. Lincoln, NE	Single Wheelers 7:00pm -9:00pm *Westridge United Methodist Church 2000 W Norfolk Ave Norfolk, NE **Pufahl's Barn Norfolk, NE	Town Twirlers 2:00pm-4:00pm City Auditorium 119 N Main St. Randolph, NE
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The Roundup

Northeast/Southeast/Central/Western Federation Dance Schedule

Club
Theme
Caller
Cuer

AUGUST 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 York Shirts & Skirts Kenard Swift
2	3	4 Single Wheelers Junck Night best/worst dressed Jerry Junck	5	6	7	8
9 Lincoln Live Lively Lyle Waterhouse	10 Star City Squares Jesse Millspaugh	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 Single Wheelers Jesse Millspaugh	19	20	21	22 York Shirts & Skirts Ken Marks
23	24 Star City Squares Jesse Millspaugh	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

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 7:00pm–7:30pm Plus
 7:30pm –9:30pm
 Main Stream
 Senior Center
 725 Nebraska Ave
 York, NE

Live Lively Lincoln
 2:00pm—4:00pm
 New Visions Church
 1610 S 11th St.
 Lincoln, NE

Star City Squares
 6:30pm–8:30pm MS
 8:30pm–9:30pm Plus
 Ironhide Construction
 3301 S 7th St.
 Lincoln, NE

Single Wheelers
 7:00pm -9:00pm
 *Westridge United
 Methodist Church 2000
 W Norfolk Ave Norfolk,
 NE
 **Pufahl's Barn
 Norfolk, NE

Town Twirlers
 2:00pm–4:00pm
 City Auditorium
 119 N Main St.
 Randolph, NE

2026 Special Dance Schedule

EASTERN FEDERATION FALL KICK OFF—Omaha, Nebraska

8/16/26 2:00 p.m. All Callers All Cuers

RIVER CITY SQUARES LABOR DAY DANCE—LaVista, Nebraska

9/4/26 7:30 p.m. Bryan Bush Mike Schrant

NEBRASKA STATE SQUARE & ROUND DANCE WEEKEND

@ York County Fairgrounds—York, NE

9/18/26 7:30 p.m. Tom Manning Mitchell & Chelsea Thompson

9/19/26 9:00 a.m. Tom Manning Mitchell & Chelsea Thompson





**EASTERN
NEBRASKA
FEDERATION**

FALL KICKOFF

SUNDAY

AUGUST 16, 2026

2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**ALL CALLERS
& CUERS**





September 4, 2026

7:30 pm to 10:00 pm

*3rd Annual
Labor Day (weekend) dance*

FEATURING

Bryan Bush

and Mike Schrant



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**55th Annual Nebraska State
Square and Round Dance Weekend
September 18-19, 2026
York County Fairgrounds, York, Nebraska**

THEME



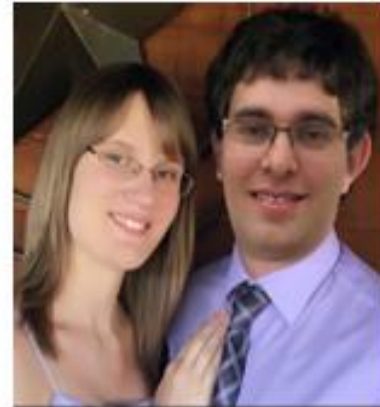
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TOM MANNING, IOWA

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Saturday Morning	9:30 am
Saturday Afternoon	1:00 pm
Saturday Evening	7:30 pm

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Suggested donation – per person

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All Saturday	25.00	30.00
Saturday evening	16.00	18.00
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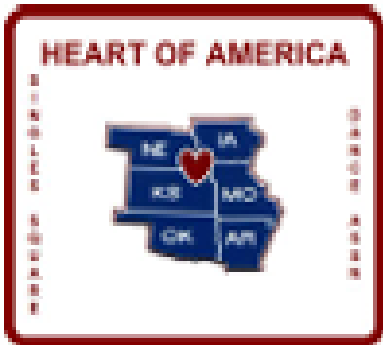
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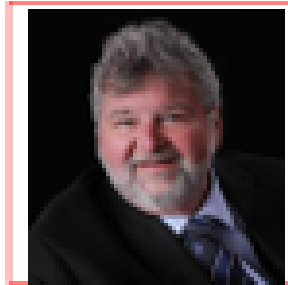
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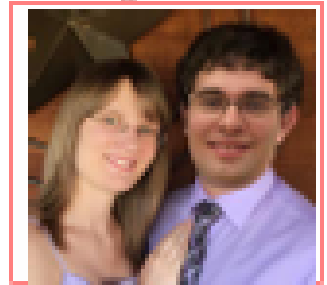
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TRAIL END DANCE

Dan Sahlstrom, caller and cuer

JULY 9, 2026 (Thursday night)

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 - _____ Friday & Saturday All Events payable at the door \$50.00
 - _____ One Day/Night \$30.00
 - _____ Individual Square/Round Dance Sessions \$15.00
- Total individual registration donation enclosed \$ _____

(Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.)

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Festival Contact: **Marye Wagner ~785-806-8314 or**
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Swave Dance Attire Admired. Not Required

Cancellation Policy:

- Full Refund will be given if cancellation notice is received prior to June 15, 2026.
 - One-half Refund will be given for cancellation between June 16 and July 1, 2026.
 - No Refund will be given for cancellation after July 1, 2026.
- All requests for cancellation must be in writing or e-mail to HASSDA Festival Contact.

1st HASSDA Festival Renewal Single Married Youth (under 18 = 1/2 p)

72nd Florida State Square & Round Dance Convention



February 26-27, 2027

The Center at Deltona
1640 Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd.
Deltona, FL 32725

Trail End Dance:
Thursday, February 25, 2027

Be sure to also register for the Friday night Dinner & Show
featuring a Jimmy Buffett/Beach Boys Tribute Band

Visit www.floridasquare.com for more information and to register.

UPCOMING NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTIONS®

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The 76th National Square Dance Convention® Presents **Cowboy Brad & the TropiCowboy Band**

Brad Fitch and the TropiCowboy Band are a group of seasoned, professional musicians who interpret the songs of John Denver with reverence and a whole lot of fun. Please join us for an enjoyable evening of music, celebrating this beloved, timeless music which is quintessential to the Colorado experience.

Performing professionally since the age of 15, Brad specializes in original folk and western music that celebrates the beauty of life and nature, according to his website www.CowboyBrad.com. His heartfelt songs aim to relax, uplift, and inspire his listeners. With over 20 albums to his name and around 300 live performances annually, Brad has played across the U.S. from Red Rocks Amphitheater to the shores of Hawaii. He is especially known for his JOHN DENVER tribute concerts, which have raised funds for various charities and drawn record-breaking crowds. A U.S. Coast Guard veteran, Brad continues to share his passion for music and nature with audiences nationwide, staying true to his mission of bringing joy and peace through song.

Join us in Loveland, CO, at the Embassy Suites & Convention Center for the 76th NSDC June 23-26, 2027, and for the Tribute Show and Dinner on Wednesday, June 23, in the Embassy Suite's River Birch. For NSDC convention information or to register, go to <https://76nsdc.com>. Order your dinner and show tickets on the registration form.



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76th NSDC Special Event

**Cowboy Brad's
Tribute to John Denver**

Wed., June 23, 2027

**Wild West Dinner
and Show**

Cost \$75

Doors open at 4 PM

Dinner begins at 4:30 PM

Show 5-6:30 PM

Opening Ceremony 7 PM

River Birch Room

In Remembrance...

In Loving Memory of our Loved Ones



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

What's Cooking

One-Pot Creamy Beef and Shells

Ingredients

- 12 oz pasta shells
- 1 lb ground beef
- 1 small onion
- 3 cloves garlic
- 1 can diced tomatoes
- 2 c beef broth
- Fresh parsley (optional)
- 1 c heavy cream
- 1 ½ c shredded cheddar cheese
- 1 tsp dried Italian herbs
- ½ tsp smoked paprika (optional)
- Salt & black pepper to taste
- 2 tbsp olive oil



Directions

Heat the olive oil in large pot over medium heat, add the beef and cook until brown, breaking it up as it browns. Remove excess fat if needed.

Add onion and garlic to the beef and cook 3-4 minutes until onions are soft and fragrant.

Stir in diced tomatoes, beef broth, Italian herbs and smoked paprika.

Bring to a gentle boil.

Add pasta shells, stirring to combine. Ensure pasta is mostly submerged.

Reduce heat to medium-low, cover partially and simmer 12-15 minutes until pasta is tender. Stir occasionally to prevent sticking.

Once pasta is cooked, stir in heavy cream and cheese. Mix until cheese melts and sauce is creamy. Taste and adjust with salt and pepper.

Garnish with chopped parsley and serve hot for a rich, comforting one-pot meal.

No Bake Salted Caramel Cookies

Ingredients

- 2 cups granulated sugar
- ¾ cup butter (1 ½ sticks)
- ⅔ cup evaporated milk
- 3.4 ounces instant butterscotch pudding mix
- 3 ½ cups quick oats
- dash salt to taste
- 1 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips
- ½ cup toffee chips



Directions

1. Line baking sheet with parchment paper or wax paper. Measure the oats. Set aside. Put the chocolate chips in the freezer.

2. Add sugar, butter, a dash of salt, and evaporated milk to a medium saucepan. Stirring frequently bring to a full rolling boil over medium heat. Boil for 30 seconds.

3. Remove from heat and add oats and dry pudding. Stir. Let sit for a few minutes until it cools a little bit.

4. Add chocolate chips and toffee chips to the cookie mixture. Gently and quickly stir, do not over stir or else the chocolate chips will be completely melted.

5. Scoop cookies and drop them onto parchment paper. Sprinkle a little bit of the sea salt over the cookies before they cool.

6. Let sit for at least 15-30 minutes.

The Roundup

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.

On The Computer

Nebraska State Square and Round Dance Association
squaredancene.org

Colorado State Square Dance Association
coloradosquaredance.com

Colorado Round Dance Association
crda.net

Iowa State Federation of Square and Round Dance Clubs
iowasquaredance.net

Kansas Square Dance Association
kansassquaredance.com

Square Dance Federation of Minnesota, INC
squaredanceminnesota.com

Missouri Federation of Square & Round Dance Clubs
squaredancemissouri.com

South Dakota Square Dance Association
sdsquaredance.com

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**National Square
Dance Month
is
September**



**National Square
Dance Day
is
November 29th**

Note from the Editor

WOW! Did the last two months fly by for anybody else as it did for us? I had been working on getting ready for my family reunion and forgot to send the reminder emails out to the State Reps. Thank you Mary Christensen for being on top of things this month and sending me your article. My family has our family reunion on the 3rd Saturday of June every year (it has been happening since 1940), This year we had 90 family members there, from the age of 90 down to about 1 year old. We also have a cousin reunion three times a year, with one of them being the night before the big reunion, we had 51 in attendance for it. Hope you all have a chance to enjoy your family this summer!

Amy & Kenard Swift
Roundup Editor

