

The Roundup

Nebraska State Square & Round Dance Association



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President's Letter

Hello, Nebraska dancers!

For those I haven't had the pleasure of meeting yet, my name is Katie Bennett, and I am honored to serve as president of the Nebraska State Square and Round Dance Association for the next term. Like many of you, I am still relatively new to square dancing myself. I've come to appreciate not only the dancing, but also the friendships and sense of community that come with it.

Looking back at our state dance in September, I think we have a lot to be proud of. It was wonderful to see dancers come together from across the state, enjoy the dancing, catch up with old friends, and make new ones. Thank you to all of those that made that festive weekend possible! Events like that remind us that square and round dancing are about more than learning calls or following the music. They are about the people who make this community what it is.

That sense of community has been on my mind lately. At a recent dance, it was noted as I looked around the room that upwards of three-quarters of the dancers there had been involved in square dancing for fewer than five years, including myself. I was one of them! It struck me as something worth celebrating. We often hear conversations about bringing in new dancers and keeping our clubs going. Those are important things to think about, but sometimes we get so focused on what we need to do in the future that we forget to appreciate what is already happening. There are people discovering square dancing, finding friendships, and making it part of their lives right now every day.

It does raise the question though, what will square dancing look like five or ten years from now? What will keep people coming back? What will make someone feel welcome enough to stay, get involved, and become part of the community?

I don't think those are questions any one person or group has all the answers to. Someone who has been dancing for forty years has a different perspective than someone who started last year, and both perspectives have value. Our longtime dancers carry years of experience and memories, while those who are newer may see things with fresh eyes. There is a lot we can learn from one another. Being involved doesn't have to mean holding an office or serving on a committee. It might mean helping at a lesson, welcoming a visitor, sharing an idea with your club, or simply telling someone what you enjoy about dancing. And sometimes, being involved means speaking up about something you think could be better.

Throughout the upcoming months and into the future, I'd like to continue to hear from dancers throughout Nebraska, no matter how long you've been dancing or what role you play in the activity. What do you enjoy most about square and round dancing? What would you like to see in the years ahead? Do you want to be more involved but don't know how? I may not have an immediate answer to every suggestion, but I believe it is important that we continue to keep the conversation going. After all, our state association serves a community made up of many different people, clubs, and experiences.

I look forward to getting to know more of you, hearing your perspectives, and sharing the dance floor with you in the months ahead. The future of square and round dancing isn't something we have to wait for. It's already taking shape every time someone walks through the door, every time a friendship begins, and every time we come together to dance. I'm glad I get to be a part of this journey together with you.

Katie Bennett
President
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2029 All Federations

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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

Well, we are off dancing for another season. The State weekend attracted 115 dancers (122 paid), marking its first occurrence in York. I understand we will be back in York for the 2027 dance.

I hope your clubs have new dancers for lessons. Make sure you invite them to other dances or take them there once they graduate. You know where other clubs are dancing but they sure don't.

Amazing 8's dance on November 7th with Lyle Waterhouse calling and Mike Schrant cueing the rounds and the theme is "Go Bananas." Mike Hogan & Lanny Weakland call together, and Mike Schrant will cue the rounds, with the theme "The 3 Turkeys" for the November 21st dance. "Crazy Hats" is the theme for the December 5th dance, with Lanny Weakland calling and Amy Swift on the rounds. Mike Hogan has the microphone for their December 19th "Ugly Christmas Sweater" dance, with Mike Schrant on the rounds. Dances begin at 7:30 p.m., with pre-rounds from 7:00-7:30 at Rockbrook Methodist Church, 9855 West Center Road, Omaha, NE.

Belles N' Beaus have Kenard Swift calling and Amy Swift cueing for their November 13th dance, the theme is "Give Thanks" and this dance will be at Rockbrook Methodist Church. On November 27th, Darwin Barker will call, and Ron Stairs will do the rounds. Lanny Weakland will call, and Ron Stairs will cue the rounds on December 11th and the theme will be Christmas Goodies. They cancelled the dance on December 25th. Dances begin at 8:00 p.m. at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 4117 Terrace Dr, Omaha, NE

Crossfire Squares (a plus club) has Lanny Weakland calling and cueing the November 17th, December 1st, December 15th, and December 29th dances. They cancelled the November 3rd dance for Election Day activities. Dances begin at 7:30 p.m. at Rockbrook Methodist Church, 9855 West Center Road, Omaha, NE.

Heartland Singles starts on November 10th, with Lanny Weakland calling and cueing the dance. Kenard and Amy Swift will call and cue the dance on November 24th. Lanny Weakland will return on December 8th to call and cue the dance. Lyle Waterhouse will call, and Mike Schrant will cue the dance on December 22nd. Dances begin at 7:30 p.m. at Rockbrook Methodist Church, 9855 West Center Road, Omaha, NE.

Loess Hills Squares have Bryan Bush calling and Amy Swift cueing the November 14th dance. On November 28th, Doug McCart will call, and Amy Swift will cue the dance. Barry Peck and Carla Peck will call and cue the December 12th dance, this will be their Christmas dance. They will hold a Pre New Year's Eve dance on December 26th with all callers and cuers invited to help entertain the dancers. Dances begin at 7:00 p.m. at The Parlor, 116 S 6th St, Missouri Valley, IA

River City Squares scheduled Doug McCart to call and Mike Schrant to cue the November 6th dance. On November 20th, Wayne Lorenzen will call, and Amy Swift will cue their dance. December 4th dance has Lanny Weakland and Darwin Barker calling and cueing. Kenard and Amy Swift will be calling and cueing the December 18th dance. Dances begin at 7:30 p.m. at Faith Presbyterian Church, 8100 Giles Road, LaVista, NE.

Tom & Jan Robbins
Eastern State Representative

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Northeast Federation

Northeast Federation State Rep Report

September 1, 2026 - the Single Wheelers held a 50th Anniversary dance in Hadar, NE with Jerry Junck calling. A rousing success with over 70 in attendance including one who was a founding member. Many past officers and members were there also. Plus, probably no surprise, Jerry Junck was one of the founding callers.

Square dancing owes a ton and a half to Jerry for sure.

September 27, 2026 - Town Twirlers held a special graduation dance for 5 youth plus 1 adult. Chuck Veldhuizen was instructor/caller. It is so much fun to have those younger ones in the square. They sure pick moves up quicker than most of us.

October 5, 2026 - Single Wheelers dance was a 50s-60s theme. Many dancers dressed appropriately which really added to the fun. Jerry Junck called using tunes from that time frame. Twas a fun night!

October 11, 2026 - A great Northeast Federation Golden Harvest Fall Dance was called by Jerry Junck at the Elkhorn Valley Museum in Norfolk. A fun/competitive homemade pie auction between tips with our own Randy Gubbels auctioneering assisted by James Gubbels who displayed the pies and worked the crowd. Highest pie sold for \$180!!! The afternoon concluded with an excellent meal featuring 4 kinds of soup plus meat/cheese & pickle trays and cookies. Note: This was Jerry's last dance here before he heads south. Will definitely miss him all the way around.

Looking forward to the next Northeast Federation sponsored dance in the spring. The first Friday after Easter, April 2, 2027, to be exact. Caller will be Lanny Weakland. Location is TBD. Mark your calendar and watch for details.

Looking forward to the upcoming holiday season and associated celebrations, plus special dances too. Just in case, remember Veterans Day November 11.

Town Twirlers – Randolph

All dances are 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. at the Randolph City Auditorium, 119 N Main, Randolph, NE

Chuck Veldhuizen is calling on November 1. Then on November 15 Lyle Waterhouse comes over from Iowa. On December 6, Chuck Veldhuizen returns to do the calling.

Single Wheelers – Norfolk

All dances are 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Westridge United Methodist Church, 2000 West Norfolk Ave, Norfolk, NE.

As elections are November 3rd no dance that night. VOTE!!

On November 17 Mike Hogan will again entertain the floor (and dancers). Then on December 1st ex-state president and Iowa Square Dance Hall of Famer Kenard Swift will be the caller. Wayne Lorenzen will finish out the year on December 15th with our annual Christmas goodie & baked potato bar.

Had great time at the Nebraska State Dance in September. Truly enjoyed the York facility. Thanks to all who made it happen.

Hope to see you around the square soon.

Rick & Mary Christensen
Northeastern State Representative

Southeast Federation

Southeast Federation State Rep Report

Below are the upcoming dances in the Southeast Federation for this holiday season. Hope you will be able to join in some of the fun. We'd love to see you at some of these dances.

York Shirts and Skirts will dance on Saturday, November 7, with Ken Marks calling. They will also dance on November 21, with Kenard Swift calling. In December, Ken Marks will be calling on the 5th and Lyle Waterhouse on the 19th. Plus dancing will begin at 7, with mainstream to follow at 7:30 on all these evenings. These dances are at the York Senior Center, 725 N. Nebraska Ave, in York, Nebraska.

York will be graduating their lessoners in November. Ken Marks has been the instructor.

Lincoln Live Lively club 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 November 8 and December 13.

Star City Squares Keeps the Good Times Rolling!

September marked the first anniversary of Star City Squares, and we had a fantastic anniversary dance with many guests joining us to celebrate. The dance featured Lanny Weakland and Jesse Millsbaugh calling in a jukebox-style format, allowing dancers to choose the songs they wanted to dance to.

Star City Squares has several dances scheduled for the remainder of the year. November 9th, Sue Dellere will be calling. The theme is *Turkey Tracks*, and the evening will include a raffle for three Village Piemaker pies. November 23rd and December 14th Jesse Millsbaugh will be calling. And we'll finish up the year on December 28th with Darwin Barker calling. The theme is *Winter Wonderland Snowflakes*, and each dancer will leave with more cookies than they came with.

All dances are held at Ironhide Construction, 3301 S. 7th Street in Lincoln. Mainstream dancing runs from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., followed by Plus dancing from 8:30 to 9:00 p.m. Line dancing is offered between every other tip. We welcome dancers to join us for our remaining dances of the year!

Lincoln Area Square Dance Clubs:

The Lincoln Area Square Dance lessons will wrap up in November, with eight students set to graduate from this series. A special free graduation dance will be held November 22 at 6:00 p.m., featuring callers from across the state who have been invited to call for the occasion. We hope you'll join us to celebrate with these new dancers and welcome them into the square dance community! Our next set of lessons will start in January!

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

Masquerade Ball



Featured Caller
Tom Manning



Featured Cues
Mitchell & Chelsea
Thompson



Colorguard - Ward children



Decoration



York City Representative
welcoming the group to York.

During the opening



Ametrine & Cheri
at the photo booth



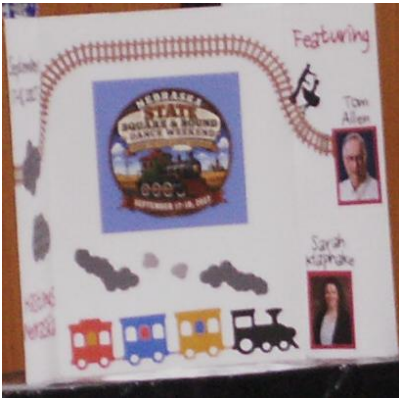
Squares



Rounds

Leonard & Theresa
Janet & Roger
at the photo booth





Friday night skit for 2027 N&RD Weekend Riding The Rails Across Nebraska



Henry Millspaugh and Craig & Zach Bennett in the train
Katie Bennett wrote the skit



Ice cream was
enjoyed by all
Friday night after
the skit.



Saturday during the day



Dancing with Tom during the day on Saturday



Round Dance teach during the day on Saturday



Square dancing with the local callers
during the day on Saturday



Saturday Night



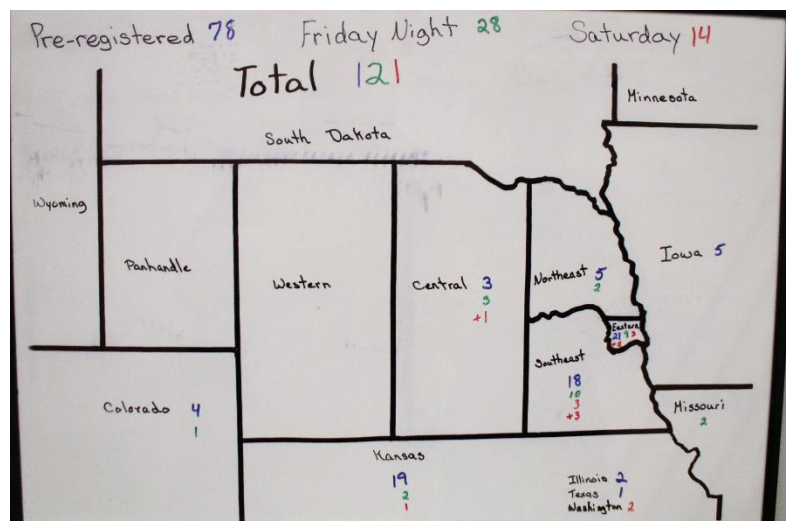
Opening prayer
Saturday night



Exchange of banners with Kansas State



D & H Plastics - making badges



Attendance board for the weekend

NOVEMBER 2026

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Northeast/Southeast/Central/Western Federation Dance Schedule

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2026-2027 Special Dance Schedule

LOESS HILLS SQUARES PRE NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE—Missouri Valley, IA

12/26/26 7:00 p.m. All Callers All Cuers

OMAHA CALLER/CUER ASSOCIATION SWEETHEART DANCE—Omaha, Nebraska

2/21/27 2:00 p.m. Area Callers Area Cuers

RIVER CITY SQUARES REGATTA DANCE—LaVista, Nebraska

4/23/27 7:30 p.m. Chris Wildhagen Amy Swift

OMAHA AREA SQUARE DANCE COUNCIL FALL KICKOFF—Omaha, Nebraska

8/15/27 2:00 p.m. Area Callers Area Cuers

RIVER CITY SQUARES REGATTA DANCE—LaVista, Nebraska

9/3/27 7:30 p.m. Doug McCart Amy Swift

PRE

New Year's Eve 2027



*There will be a
toast at 9:00*



DECEMBER 26, 2026

7:00 PM to 9:30 PM

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FRIDAY, MAY 28—TRAILS IN DANCE

Belles N Beaus Club hosting — Rockbrook Methodist Church, 9855 West Center Rd, Omaha NE — Bryan Bush, caller

SATURDAY, MAY 29, 2027

9:00 am to 10:00 am – Registration
10:00 am to 12:00 noon – Dancing
12:00 noon to 1:30 pm – Lunch Break
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 30, 2027

NEW HOURS

12:00 noon to 12:15 pm – Registration
12:15 pm to 5:00 pm – Dancing
5:00 pm to 7:15 pm – Dinner Break
7:15 pm to 10:30 pm – Dancing

ALL TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE

Send to: Janet Hogsed, 2508 S. 11th St, Council Bluffs, IA 51501
janethogsed67@gmail.com 402-680-8899

Memorial Weekend Square Dance Registration

REGISTRATION FEE	Advance	At the Door
☐ All weekend.....	\$40.00	\$50.00
☐ One Day Only ☐ Saturday ☐ Sunday.....	\$25.00	\$30.00
☐ Saturday Evening: \$12.00 ☐ Other Sessions: \$10.00 each		

Name.....

Address.....

City, State, Zip.....

Email.....

Amount enclosed \$.....

Deadline for advance registration and refunds: May 21, 2027 *Second*

Make check payable to: OMAHA AREA SQUARE DANCE COUNCIL 05/11/26

PLEASE SEND SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED #10 ENVELOPE

HOTEL

Fairfield Inn & Suites (host hotel)
465 Olson Dr., Papillion NE
Special rate \$119.00 plus tax
Mention: Memorial Weekend Square Dance
Breakfast bar available
402-932-2700

CAMPING

Haworth Park, Bellevue NE
402-933-3717
KOA West Omaha, Omaha NE
402-332-3010

www.memorialweekendsquaredance.org
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SAVE THE DATE

**13th Annual
Memorial Weekend Square Dance
May 27-28, 2028
Andy Allemao**

**56th Annual Nebraska State
Square and Round Dance Weekend
September 17-18, 2027**

Adams County Fairgrounds Hastings, Nebraska

**THEME: Riding the Rails
Across Nebraska**



**WEEKEND COLORS:
DENIM, MAROON & BLACK**

FEATURED CALLER



**TOM ALLEN
NORTH SARTELL, MN**

FEATURED CUER



**SARAH KLAPHAKE
MAPLE GROVE, MN**

Host Hotel: Hampton Inn \$119.00 + tax

Call 402-713-6324 and ask for the Square Dance rate
Please help us defray expenses by choosing the host hotel

Camping: Adams County Fairgrounds

Register online at Campspot.com

Event Starting Times

Friday Evening	7:45 pm
Saturday Morning	9:30 am
Saturday Afternoon	1:00 pm
Saturday Evening	7:45 pm

REGISTRATION
(Please print clearly)

Deadline for advanced registration and refund is September 1, 2027
Questions? Contact Gale Barnhill at 402-745-0375 or mc_barn@yahoo.com

Suggested donation – per person

	<u>Advanced</u>	<u>Door</u>
All Events	\$40.00	\$45.00
Friday evening	16.00	18.00
All Saturday	25.00	30.00
Saturday evening	16.00	18.00
Youth (under 16)	½ price	½ price

Make checks payable to: 2027 NSSRD
Enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope
Mail to: 56th Nebraska State Dance
P.O. Box 333
McCool Junction, NE 68401

\$ _____ Total Enclosed

LAST NAME _____

HIS FIRST _____

ADDRESS _____

HER FIRST _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

YOUTH(S) _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

FEDERATION: ☐ Central ☐ Eastern ☐ Northeast ☐ Southeast ☐ Western ☐ _____
(state)

CALLERS WISHING TO PERFORM MUST COMPLETE & SEND PAYMENT BY JULY 1, 2027

Level

Available

☐ Mainstream ☐ Plus

☐ Saturday morning

☐ Saturday afternoon

BMI/ASCAP licensed through _____

(please enclose copy of license)

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.

Convention Chairperson: Steve Townsend

Holiday Inn Hotel Room Rates

\$128.00 -2 Queen Beds – Nonsmoking
\$128.00 – King with Sofa Bed – Nonsmoking
(plus taxes) reserve by February 26th, 2026
Blocks available Thursday - Sunday nights

To Make Reservations

(Mention "Square Dance Convention")

Front desk: 515-287-2400

Camping – Walnut Woods State Park

State Website: iowasquaredance.net



Dance Schedule

Trail In Dance Thursday 7:30 – 10:00p.m.

Friday 2:00 – 4:30 & 7:30 - 10:30

Saturday 1:00 – 4:30 & 7:30 – 10:30

State Meeting Saturday 9:00 am

Workshops Saturday Morning

OPENING CEREMONIES

Followed by GRAND MARCH

Friday and Saturday at 6:30 pm sharp!

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www.catchdesmoines.com

Things to do/see

Papa John Sculpture Park

World Food Prize

Des Moines Botanical Gardens

Jordan House

State Historical Museum

Des Moines Art Center

State Capitol Building and grounds

UPCOMING NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTIONS®

Each of the upcoming conventions has Registration Forms providing you an opportunity to **express your support** and interest in attending their future National Square Dance Convention®. Simply **click the link below** to access their Registration Form. These forms can be downloaded, printed, saved, sent, and otherwise processed.

Thank you for supporting **ALL** the National Conventions!



[76th National Square Dance Convention](#)



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[78th National Square Dance Convention](#)



National Dance Organizations

How do they support and promote our activity?



Organizations Roundtable

Friday, June 25
11:15 - 12:30 PM
Canyon Maple A

- Leaders of National Square Dance Organizations
- Roundtable Discussion: "What's Right With Square Dancing: Let's Keep Our Heart Beating!"

Organizations Showcase

Thursday -
Saturday
Canyon Maple
Hallway

- Displays from National Square Dance Organizations
- How do they support and promote dancing?
- Ideas for clubs and regional organizations

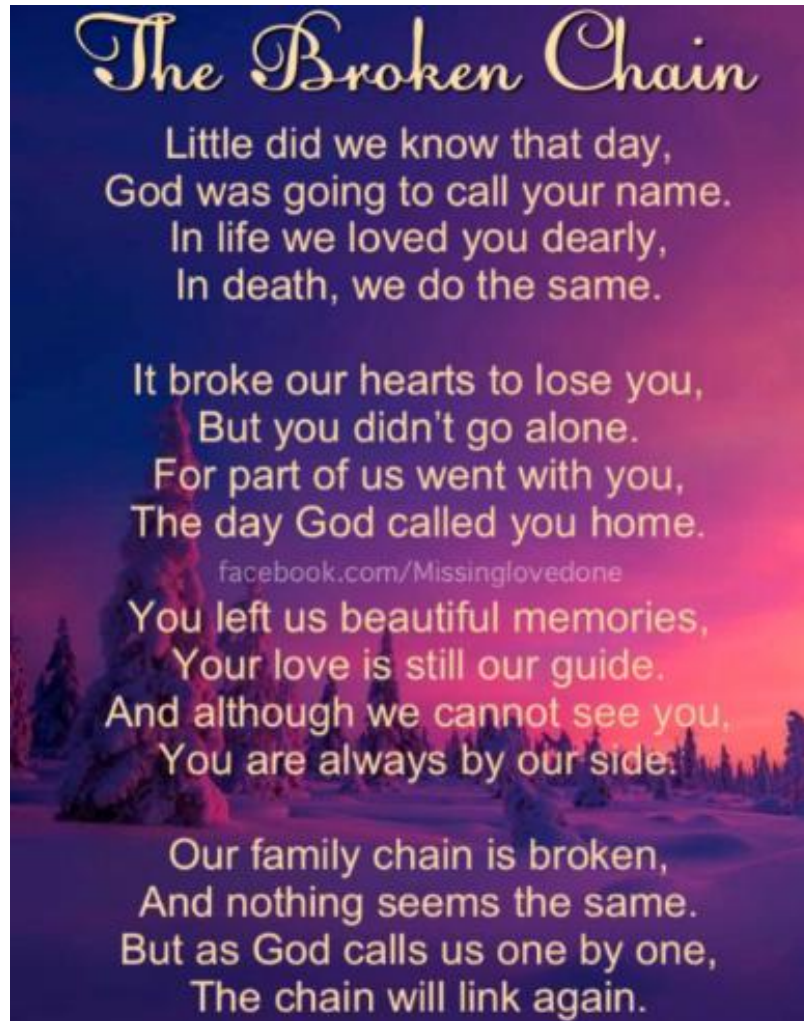
Education is the  *of leadership*

76th NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION®

Loveland, CO • <https://76nsdc.com> • June 23-26, 2027

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

Ranch Oyster Crackers

Ingredients

- 12-16 oz pkg Oyster Crackers
- 1 pkg Ranch Dressing mix (dry)
- ¼ tsp Lemon Pepper
- 1 tsp Dill Weed
- ¼ tsp Garlic Powder
- ¾ c Vegetable Oil



Submitted by Katie Bennett – President
Nebraska State Square and Round Dance Assoc

Directions

Combine ranch dressing mix and oil. Add lemon pepper, dill weed, and garlic powder. Pour over crackers in baking dish. Stir to coat all crackers. Place in warm oven (100-120 F) for 15-20 min.

Chocolate Coconut Praline

Ingredients

- 2 11oz bags Kraft caramels
- 2 TBSP water
- 8 oz Chopped pecans
- 10 oz Ghirardelli dark chocolate melting wafers (can use almond bark)
- 1-1 ½ c shredded Sweetened Coconut



Directions

- In a pot over low to medium heat add the caramels and water, then mix until melted and smooth
- Add the pecans and stir until well combined
- Melt your chocolate in your preferred way, then pour it into the bottom of a parchment lined 7x11 baking sheet and spread evenly
- Add about ½ to ¾ c of shredded coconut evenly over the melted chocolate
- Pour the praline mixture over the chocolate and coconut and spread evenly
- Top with additional shredded coconut (optional)
- Allow to cool at room temperature (can place in fridge to speed up the process)
- ENJOY!!!

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

National Squares Online (NSDC)
[National Square Dance Magazine](#)

National Conventions
2027—76thnsdc.com
2028—77thnsdc.com
2029—78thnsdc.com

**National Square
Dance Month
is
September**



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

Note from the Editor

As we head into the holiday season, please keep in mind that we all still need to attend our own club dances along with other club dances. I realize the season gets busy with Christmas parties, family Christmas', school and church Christmas programs. But try to make time to attend the square dances also. As we all know, all the clubs are struggling, so we don't won't to let them down during the holiday season.

Kenard and I want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Amy & Kenard Swift
Roundup Editor

