

Desert and Mountain Dancers E-News

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State President David and Bonnie Funk

Upcoming Dances

District Dances

Northwest To be announced: **Central** Aug 29; in ABQ Rounds 6:30 Squares 7:00-9:30

Southeast July 18th in Roswell Workshop:10:00-11:30 Meeting: 1:00 Dance 2:00-4:00 Southwest

July 28 in Las Cruces Meeting 1:00 Dance 2:00-4:00

Local Area Special Dances

Duke City Spring Fling in ABQ May 1 - 3

Greg Tillery in <u>Fairbanks AK</u> May 1-3

<u>NM State Festival</u> in Ruidoso, NM May 8 - 10

<u>Mike Sikorsky</u> in Pagosa Springs, May 11 7:00-9:00

Roundezvous in Red River, NM; May 15-17 Bob & Sally Nolen; Peter & Chama Gomes

FolkMadness in Saccorro May 22-25 <u>Graduation Dance</u> Abigail Pratt May 30; 2-4 (Free) Commencement ceremony 1:30

Fun Valley Round Dance in CO May 31-Jun 6 Bob & Sally Nolen; Ed & Karen Gloodt

<u>Christmas in June Dance</u> Jun. 6; pre rounds 7:00 Squares 7:30

Hot August nights in ABQ Aug. 14 -16

Fun Valley Square & Round Week, Aug 30-Sep.4

Ken Bower in Las Cruces Sep. 7; 7:00-9:30 NM State Round Dance Festival Sep. 11-13, 2015

Gary Shoemake in Pagosa Springs Sept. 13

Fun Valley Plus Square dance Sep. 13-19, 2015

Aspencade in Red River, NM Sep. 24-26, 2015

<u>Turquoise Trail Thru</u> in ABQ Sep. 25-27, 2015

ABQ Sundancers 3rd Ann. dance Aug 1st; 7:00 10:00

Horny Toad Hoedown in ABQ Oct 3-4



From the NMSRDA President 2014 -15 **New Mexico Square and Round Dance Association** 68th State Festival – Enchanted Legends May 8-10, 2015



With one week remaining until we all meet in Ruidoso, New Mexico for the 68th State Festival we wanted to take a moment and tell you all how honored we are to have been your NMSRDA Presidents for this year. We love square dancing and we love being able to host this festival to share some of the best square dancing in the world with each of you. As you all know, square dancing is more than just dancing, it becomes a way of life; it is fun, friendship and recreation set to music. These things define us. When we dance we turn into better versions of who we are.

This festival will feature more square dancing than most of us can do in the three days of celebration. Our faithful callers will call dances and put us through some paces in workshops that will hone our skills and make us think about every move we make in the square. Our featured caller, Jerry Junck will call and sing his way through two evenings of smooth dances that will help us remember why we started square dancing in the first place; for the fun of it! Those of you who want that extra challenge will find callers ready to move you with advanced workshops and dancing.

If you are a round dancer you will find that you will be able to waltz away the hours, learn a new step or two or get started round dancing in the introduction class. Have you ever wanted to learn to cue or wondered how to start a round dance class at your club? John and Karen Herr, past presidents of Round-a-lab and our state festival clinicians will cue and coach the dreamy steps as they offer a **special course on Learning to Cue from 4:00 – 4:45 pm on Saturday afternoon** in the round dance venue. There are no pre-requisites; you may be a caller who wants to add an element to your dances or you may be a person with a passion for music who would like to teach people to enjoy themselves dancing. Look for a general schedule of festival activities in this newsletter.

All of that dancing will probably make you thirsty and hungry. Water and coffee will be available throughout the festival from numerous drink stations located in the main dance venue. Vending machines, provided by the Convention Center have sodas and snacks. We have also arranged for meals, sandwiches and snacks to be available for purchase from a local caterer known as Dream Catchers. The availability of meals on site can help cut down on travel into other restaurants located throughout Ruidoso and can offer an all in-one-place solution for a busy weekend. Look for a menu of food items available also in this newsletter.

Speaking of being thirsty – don't forget to drink lots of water! Dancing and increased activity means your body needs extra hydration. The other element many don't consider is that we will be dancing at ALTITUDE. Ruidoso is located in the mountains at about 6000 ft. These things are important to consider when planning to make your dance weekend both fun and safe.

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Grabbing a drink and a bite to eat, visiting with friends or shopping the vendors will let you rest your feet for the next tip. Shirley Sloop will show her fine bead jewelry necklaces, earrings and bracelets and Jackie and Judy will show their home and personal décor items as well as a line of apparel suitable for dance attire. Even though Mike Holly won't be able to join us this year, Ka-mo Engravers' New Mexico Festival badges and bars for Ruidoso 2015 will be available.

Of course, in the middle of all this dancing, we will host the annual NMSRDA business meeting at 12:00 noon on Saturday, May 9th. This meeting is for the current and in-coming State Board Officers and District Representatives. Anyone can attend the meeting, however, only those identified here may vote or present matters for consideration at the meeting. The purpose of the NMSRDA is to promote and foster square dancing, round dancing and related activities throughout New Mexico and certain areas of southern Colorado. Everyone should take the opportunity to join the NMSRDA. Your voice can make the great activities of square and round dancing even better.

Sunday, May 10th, the last day of our festival, is Mother's Day. Our farewell dance on Sunday at 9:30 am on the patio at the Lodge at Sierra Blanca will feature an hour and a half of special singing calls honoring mothers and "Sunday Songs" that are close to the heart.

We thank you for making square dancing and the 2015 New Mexico Square and Round Dance Festival a priority. We also understand that life's happenings sometimes get in the way of plans. Things don't always work out the way we hoped or intended so if you cannot join us in Ruidoso we will miss you, but I encourage you to...



"Dance then where ever you maybe, I am the Lord of the Dance, said he, And I'll lead you all, where ever you may be, And I'll lead you all, in the dance, said he."

- Sydney Carter

Be Legendary!

Wishing you Enchanted Dancing, <u>David and Bonnie Funk</u> NMSRDA Presidents 2014-2015



68th New Mexico Square and Round Dance Festival 2015



1:00p Registration Open / Vendors Open

MC - State Callers

3:00p

6:30p

6:55p

7:00p

8:30p

9:45p

10:00p

5:00p Dinner break

Last tip

Welcome (Trail-in) Dance begins

Pre-Rounds – John and Karen Herr

Venue Closes



- 09:00 Registration Open / Vendors Open
- Introduction to Round Dancing [Round Dance Venue Room #6] 09:30 Advanced Workshop / Dance [Advanced Dance Venue Room #4] Mainstream/Plus Workshops - Callers Choice [Main Hall Venue]
- 11:30 Lunch Break
- 12:00 NMSRDA Business Meeting [Meeting Room #2-3] (Bring lunch from food vendor to meeting)
- 1:00p Mainstream Fun Level / Singing Calls [Main Hall Venue]
- 2:00p NMSRDA Meeting Ends
- Round Dance Workshop [Round Dance Venue Room #6] 2:00p Plus Workshop (Advance Workshop) [Advanced Dance Venue]
- 2:00p MS / Plus Dance [Main Hall Venue] - Local/Guest Callers
- Learn to Cue Round Dancing Herrs [Round Dance Venue] 4:00p
- 4:30p Dinner Break

Saturday, 9, 2015 [Evening]

- Pre-Rounds John and Karen Herr 6:30p
- Welcome to Festival Presentation of Colors / National Anthem 7:000 Invocation / Grand March
- Introduction of Featured Caller Jerry Junck 7:30p
- 8:30p Advanced Star Tip
- 9:45p Last tip Welcome to Festival / Pledge of Allegiance / Invocation
 - 10:00p Tribute to the Legends 10:30p Venue Closes

Food Booth for Square dancers

Sunday, May 10, 2015

- 09:30 Farewell Dance: All Singing Calls (MS / Plus) Tribute to Mothers and "Sunday Songs" - Local / Guest Callers [Patio at the Lodge at Sierra Blanca] 11:00 **Enchanted Legends Festival Closes**
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Enchanted Legends

Friday, May 8, 2015

Mainstream Squares; Announced Plus Squares

Square Dance / Rounds – Featuring State Callers

Introduction of Featured Caller Jerry Junck

BLT Bacon Lettuce and Tomato on Multi Grain Bread (Includes Chips, Side Salad or	\$9.00 Cup Soup)
Chicken Salad Homemade Chicken Salad on Croissant (includes Chips, Side Salad or	\$8.00 Cup Soup)
Famous Cubano Ham, Pulled Pork, Swiss, Provo on Cabiatta Bread (Includes Chips, Side Salad or	
Half Sandwich/Bowl Soup Pick any Half Sandwich	\$8.00
Half Sandwich/Salad Pick any Half Sandwich	\$8.00

Big Salad \$8.00 Garden Greens, Shred Cheese Sunflower Seeds and Tomatoes Boiled Egg and Cucumber e of Dressing Avocado Garden Salad \$9.00 Fresh Avocado Setting on Garden Greens Garnished with Cucumber, Tomatoes Boiled Egg and nuts Choice of Dressings Add Grilled Chicken or Chicken Salad \$5.00 Bowl of Soup with Crackers \$6.00

Choice of Two Soups	
Desserts	
Chocolate Brownie	\$4.00
Carrot Cake	\$4.00
Cheese Cake	\$5.00
Cinnamon Roll with Icing	\$4.00

Dinner Entree (lunch items are still available

Grilled Chicken Breast \$14.00 Marked on the grill and finished in a buttery wine sauce in the oven. Served with Vegetable of the Day, Mashed Potatoes and a Side Salad

Fettuccine Alfredo \$11.00 Fresh Creamy Parmesan Sauce with a hint of garlic tossed with Fettuccine Garlic Bread

Add Grilled Chicken

\$5.00

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Local area Festivals for 2015

Click on any of the festivals to find out more information.



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Squares-MS/Plus Monday 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. MS/ Plus PLPOA clubhouse 230 Port Ave. Pagosa Springs, CO Contact: <u>Alison Grace</u> 719-530-1492

Callers: <u>Richard Berry</u> (winter - spring) 970-882-3120 Jim Park (summer - fall) 970-731-9910



We are dancing at

PLPOA clubhouse,

2-5 PM; May 3.

Squares-MS/Plus Raindrops Thursday 7:00 - 9:00 4001 Main St. Farmington, NM

Contact: <u>Dana Husted</u> 505-330-9987 Joann Sattler 505-325-2780 Guest Callers: Barbara Tucker Jim Hawkins



Squares-MS/Plus 1st & 3rd Saturdays, 7:00 - 9:30 or 3rd Sunday 3:00- 5:30 usually have a Potluck following the Sunday dances, at 5:30p.m. First 1/2 hour Plus We an

Sargent Elementary School 7090 N. Rd 2 E. Monte Vista, CO 81144 Contact: Guest callers: Sep. 5 & Oct. 17 Rich Stewart

<u>Charlie Davis</u>, (719) 852-9849 <u>Sylvia Armijo</u>, (303) 517- 8199 We are very singles friendly.

Northwest District continued



Squares-MS/Plus Friday 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Workshop (class) 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. La Plata Senior Center 2424 Main St. Durango, CO Contact: <u>Louis & Judy Norton</u> 970-884-1338 <u>Richard Berry</u> 970-882-3120



Hello from Durango:

Boy the wind is really blowing these days – makes it harder to get outside and get the necessary gardening chores done, but hopefully it will soon give way to showers and our usual beautiful Colorado warm summer weather.

We are looking forward to graduating our new students with a Pot Luck Supper and Dance on Friday, May 15th, 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm. We will have some fun stunts for them to try and lots of delicious food.

One special weekend dance coming up: June 12th & 13th <u>"HI COUNTRY JAMBOREE"</u> with fabulous fun caller LEE HAILEY, from Arizona, and awesome cuer, ANNIE BROWNRIGG, from Arizona. This is one of the best weekend dances out there – a beautiful setting among the pine trees near Lake Vallecito, lots of dancing, a round dance workshop and a wonderful home-cooked dinner on Saturday night prepared by our great cook, Judy Norton. Playing "Hot Potato" while square dancing to Lee Hailey is one of the great fun things of our year.

Friday, June 26th, is our special "EVERYTHING'S COMING UP ROSES" dance with super energetic caller KATHY RACINE, from Provo, Utah. Kathy has a great singing voice and keeps everyone moving and having a great time, you won't want to miss this dance and of course our regular Friday night dances with our own special caller, RICHARD BERRY, who keeps us on our toes throwing some DBD plus at us sometimes and making us, think! We welcome back all our snow birds who will soon be returning – looking forward to seeing you all again.

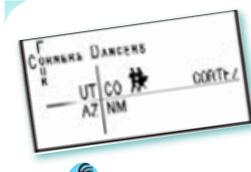
Wishing everyone a great summer & lots of happy dancing.

Shirley

Vallecito Square Dance Weekend Schedule for 2015



Northwest District continued



Squares-MS/Plus 1st & 3rd Saturdays 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Plus 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. MS Kemper Elementary School 620 E. Montezuma Ave. Cortez, CO

Contact:

<u>Vonnie Robinson</u> 970-749-9682 <u>Judy Morris</u> 970-565-9836

Caller: <u>Richard Berry</u> 970-882-3120



Summer Time !!

Hope you all have a great summer !! Plenty of Dances to take in !! Will see you in the Fall if not before !

May 2 - " My First Dance" -- Richard Berry and area callers - Kemper Elementary School - **Plus Lessons** at 6:30 pm. - Basic and Mainstream - 7:30 pm. to 9:30 pm. Beginners and Angles welcome, and earn some fun dangles.

May 8,9,10 - New Mexico State Dance in Ruidoso, New Mexico.

May 11 - High Country Squares in Pagosa Springs, Colorado is hosting Mike Sikorsky.

May 16 - Pie and Ice Cream Social - Richard Berry calling

June 6 - Richard Berry calling

June 12,13,14 - Co. State Square Dance Festival - "Cut the Diamond" -

60th Anniversary Celebration - Crown Plaza DIA - Denver, Co.

June 20 - Pizza and Sock Hop - 50's and 60's - Richard Berry calling

June 24 - 27 - 64th National Square Dance Convention - Springfield, Massachusetts

July 4 - NO DANCE!!!!!! We will be DARK !!! Enjoy the 4th !!!!

July 7 - **Tom Roper** will be calling at 7:30 pm.

- A Hamburger Fry and Pot Luck will be held at the Berry's home at 5:00 pm. call for directions if you don't know the way. This is always a fun dance !!

July 18 - Richard Berry calling

August 1 - Wear something cool - A picnic in the Gym

August 13,14,15 - 14th USA West Square Dance Convention

- Helen, Montana - Red Lion Colonial Hotel.

August 15 - Richard Berry calling

August 21, 22 - **47th Annual Peach Promenade** - Mt. Garfield Middle School - Clifton, Co.

- Lanny Weaklend from Omaha, Nebraska calling

- Peter & Chama Gomez - from Berthoud, Co. - cueing.

September 5 - Wear Work Clothes - Richard Berry calling

September 19 - MEET AND GREET - Dessert Refreshments at 6:30 pm. - Richard Berry calling

- Mainstream 7:30 pm. to 9:30 pm.

October 3 - Richard Berry calling -

October 17 - Costume Party - Richard Berry calling -

Yellow Rocks to all!!! Michelle



Central District

Chairmen Tom & Marlene Kelley

Happenings Around Central

Greetings,

Hope to see you all at the state convention in Ruidoso. After it is over the new board will officially take office. Early agenda item: since next year's calendar is different, we will need to make some changes in the dates for two your favorite district dances. Stay tuned and don't hesitate to give us your thoughts.

NMSRDA Central District is sponsoring a <u>meetup.com</u> page feel free to join and keep up with all the Square and Rounding going on in central NM.

Tom Kelley

Central District Meetings at ASDC

1st Sunday of Feb. Apr. Jun. Aug. Oct. Dec. Central District-1:30 Once a Quarter Callers club-12:30

MEETUP.com Modern Square Dancing in Central NM



We Banner Steal

Squares - MS/Plus with Rounds between tips Saturday, <u>Bob & Sally Nolen (</u>Cuers) 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. (Plus only) 7:30 - 9:30 MS/Announced Plus White Rock Activity Center Contacts: <u>Tom & Marlene Kelley</u> 505-672-9684 <u>Barbara & Andy Yeamans</u> 505-672-3660

Michelle Rudy

Upcoming Dancing Dates and Callers:

May 2:	DARK
May 16:	Delbert Teeple
lung 4	Scott Amenakar

June 6 Scott Amspoker June 20 Jerry Gilbreath



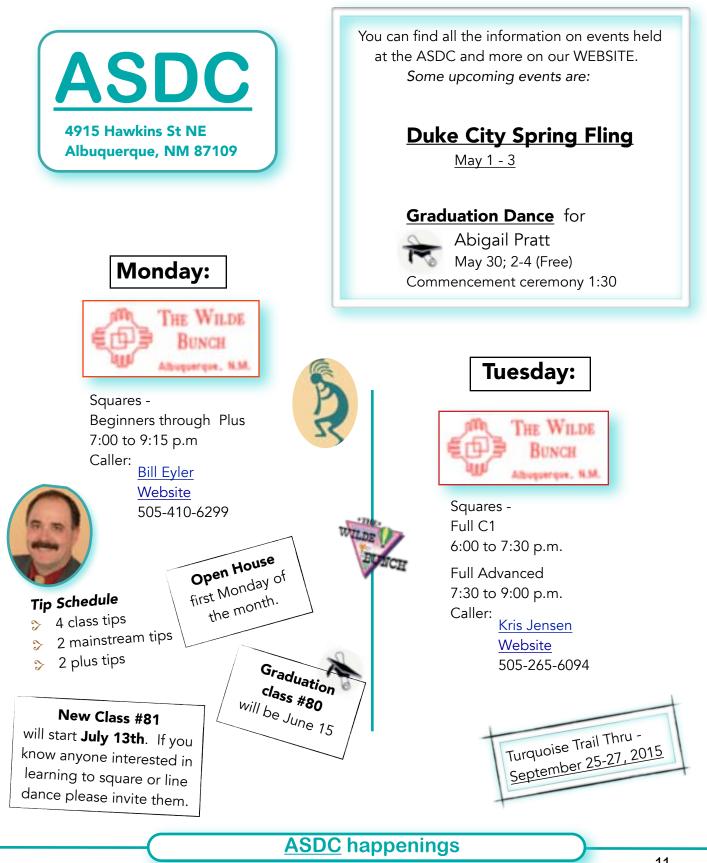
Rounds - Monday Beginners 6:30 - 7:45 p.m. PH 3-4 8:00- 9:30 Rounds - Thursday 6:30 - 730 p.m. PH 5 7:30 - 8:00 p.m. Dance PH 5 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. PH -6 Dance/ Workshop Los Alamos Christian Church 92 East Road, Los Alamos, NM Bob & Sally Nolen (Cuers)

Los Alamos, New Mexico

505-662-7227 (Cell) 505-231-8952



The Albuquerque Square Dance Club News:



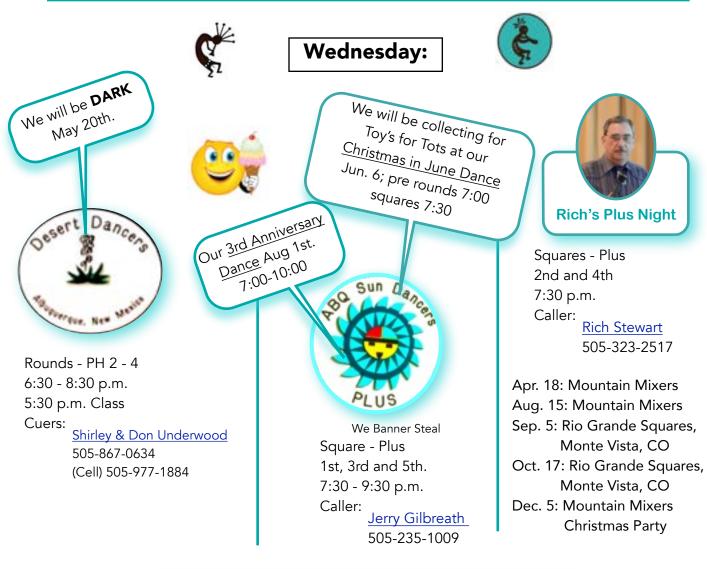
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Tuesday:



We Banner Steal Squares -MS/Plus 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Callers: Bill Trent 505-881-0137 Caller: Delbert Teeple Dancers!

Bring up the flyer with the October 3-4, 2015 Announcement. Crazy Eights is sponsoring "<u>The 2nd</u> <u>Annual Horny Toad Hoedown</u>" featuring Mike Sikorsky. Registration from now until July 16, 2015 Is \$20.00 per Person for three fun filled dances. After That date it is \$25.00 per person. You can dance and See the Balloon Festival all the same weekend.

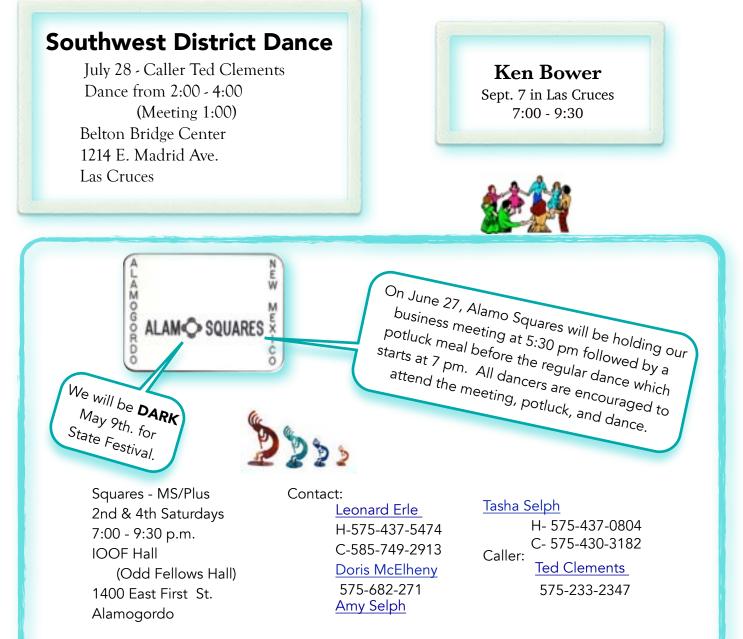


ASDC happenings



Southwest District Chairman Joey Solis

Happenings Around the Southwest



We are trying to initiate a new calling system since we are in danger of not having enough dancers to hold a dance on our regular dance nights. We are asking our members AND anyone who is planning to come dance with us on either the 2nd or 4th Saturday nights of a month to please **RSVP no later than noon on the Thursday before dance night to let us know yes or no if planning to come to the dance**. We need to get a head count of at least 8 and hopefully 10 dancers and we need to notify our caller so he does not make a long trip for nothing. Please call or e-mail anyone on our contact list.

Southwest District continued





Squares - MS/Plus 1st & 3rd Sundays 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. Belton Bridge Center 1214 East Madrid Ave. Las Cruces 8

Contact: <u>Pat & Mary Lou Pendergrass</u> 575-523-9664 Facebook

Caller: Ted Clements 575-233-2347



Squares - MS/Plus Mondays 7:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Class Presbyterian Church 1915 North Swan St. Silver City, NM

President: <u>Ron Henderson</u> 575-388-4227 Callers: Tom Hines 1st & 3rd Don Trammell

Rusty Wright 2nd & 4th





Squares - Plus 1st Saturday 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. V Bridge Center 1214 East Madrid Ave. Las Cruces Contact: <u>Barbara Sallach</u> 575-636-4541 Caller: <u>Ted Clements</u>

575-233-2347



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Southwest District continued



Greetings to all from the Sierra Twirlers.

We are excited because our graduation is tonight at the club dance. We have 4 graduating, two of whom are repeat snowbird dancers and never stayed long enough to graduate. Unfortunately our weekly dances will have fewer dancers when they head home. Thanks to all of you who angelled at the last District dance in Silver. Our two students who attended felt more confident after the dance and were amazed how friendly and helpful the experienced dancers treated them. No special events on our schedule for awhile except of course the State Festival in May. Now that daylight is longer some of us my come visit you during the Summer months.

Keep on Rockin"

Carole





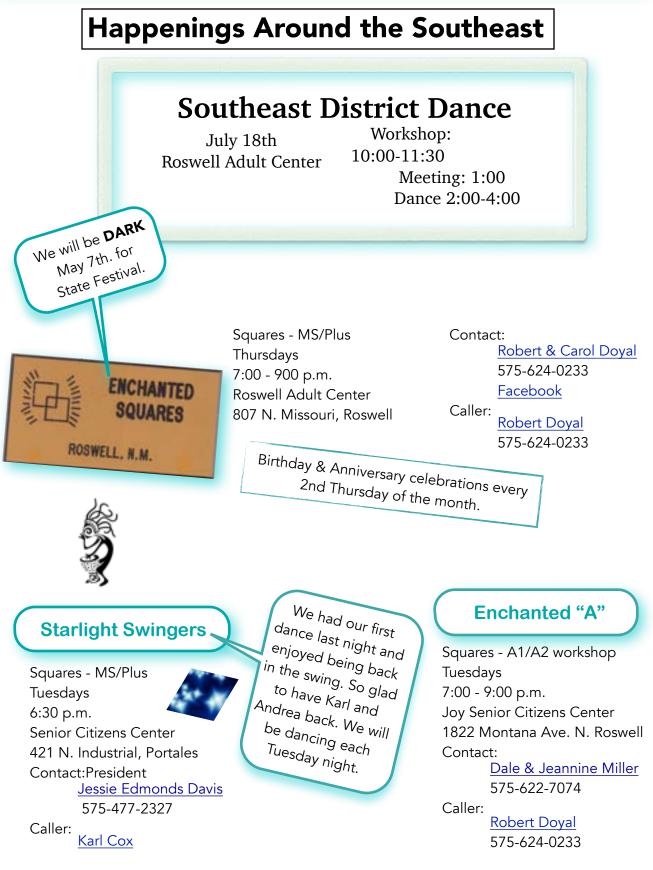
Squares - MS/Plus 2nd & 4th Friday 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Grace Lutheran Church 9301 Diana Dr. El Paso, TX Contact: Joe H Corson

Caller:

Ted Clements 575-233-2347

Southeast District

Chairman <u>Richard and Pat Hoover</u>



Neighboring Out of state Dances

Utah: Utah State Square Dance News

Colorado: Colorado State Square Dance Association

Texas: Texas State Federation of Square and Round Dancers

Arizona: <u>Grand Canyon Square Dance Association</u> <u>Square and Round Dance Association of Southern Arizona</u>

Nevada: <u>7th Annual River Romp Laughlin</u>, NV; Dec. 4-6, 2015 <u>Las Vegas Square and Round Dancers</u>

For traveling dancers <u>"Where's the Dance"</u> is a good place to find information

The National Dances

National Square Dance Con

Springfield, MA <u>64th NSDC, June 24 - 27, 2015</u>

Des Moines, IA <u>65th NSDC, June 22 - 25, 2016</u>

Cincinnati, OH <u>66th NSDC, June</u> 21-24, 2017

Kansas City, Missouri <u>67th NSDC - June 27-30, 2018</u> USA West

S S S CON

Helena, MT <u>August 13-15, 2015</u> 2016 - Pocatello, ID Aug. 17-20, 2015 2017 - Rock Springs, Wy 2018 - Reno, NV

<u>IAGSDC</u>

<u>May 22-25, 2015</u>

National Singles

Grand Rapids, MI

St Louis, MO

45th National Singles Sep 4-6, 2015



Future Dances - 2015 - 16

Ted and Jerry Dance April 18th, 2015

Duke City Spring Fling May 1-3, 2015

NM State Festival May 8 - 10, 2015

Roundezvous May 15-17, 2015

Fun Valley Round Dance May 31-Jun 6, 2015

Other Square dance information (insurance) <u>United Square Dancer of America</u>

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<u>Aspencade</u> Sep. 24-26, 2015

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Feb. 2016 Snowflake Dance March 2016 Four Corners Fling March 2016 Marshal Flippo

Sweetheart Dance

March 2016

Tom Roper April, 2016