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Federation News:

June 11-13, 2020: Idaho State Square and Round Dance Festival, “*Swing Thru Idaho in 2020.*” Hosted by Area IV, at the Jerome High School, with Kathy Racine as the featured caller. Color theme orange and black with silver accent. (There will be no Idaho State Festival in 2019 because USA West will be in Boise.)

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Roy Viken

Let’s all renew the intricacies of the original smooth styling to our dancing activity! Hand and arm holds are an integral part of the styling of modern square dance and create a desirable safe and beautiful result.

Years ago the callers strongly emphasized the proper hand position for each move, and dancers quickly became aware that all dancers in the square dance better and smoother when using the proper hand position, especially when dancing at a fast pace. We should use the handshake grip as well as the forearm grip at waist level when passing or turning another dancer, **and** letting that grip go before anyone feels the “pull” on the pull

by. For *Swing Thru* we use the open grip with hands at shoulder height without pressure from the thumb. We should use the palm-up handhold for the guys and palm-down for the girls. All of this works from muscle memory, so we are not distracted by which grip is being used, and we can better enjoy the dance and avoid injuries in the process.

Unfortunately, many of our dancers have not participated in, or observed, a new dancer class for a long time, and it shows. At Mainstream or Plus dances we find many different heights of hand holds during *Right and Left Grand* and *Swing Thru*, making it difficult to maintain the flow of movements because we must interrupt our thought to differing positions of the hands of passers-by.

Some do the handshake grip instead of a forearm grip on *Allemande Left* and *Turn Thru*, and this makes the square spread out, destroying the timing of all moves because dancers have to take more steps.

No one should offer an arm-wrestling gesture, or try to twist hands during a *Right and Left Grand*. If a patty cake is offered at any time, it should be very a gentle tap only. *Lines forward & back* should offer a gentle patty-cake only at the ends of the line (while centers maintain a hand hold). Women should be offering a palm-down hand during courtesy turns and never a vertical handshake with the left hand which is open to possible injury and uncomfortable for the guy.

A variance from any of these standard hand positions confuses newer dancers. Callers, let’s start placing more emphasis on arm positions and hand holds, and preserve the beautiful styling we all enjoy.

Additional note from Lynne: Please send information about your club’s upcoming regular and special events to Lynne Krogh, dancnalk@cablone.net.

AREA I

Idaho Panhandle Square & Round Dance Association

Area I Representative: Penny Goodman,
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**August 3, 4, 5: Logger Festival and Dam Dance*

Hosted by Libby Spinning Squares, Friday and Saturday at the Asa Wood School, and Sunday at the Souse Gulch Picnic Shelter at the Libby Dam Visitors Center, in Libby MT.

Friday 7:30 MS. Saturday 2:00 Intro to Hex workshop, 7:00 Grand March, 7:15 MS/RD. Sunday 12:00 BBQ and potluck, 1:30 Dance (bring side dish or dessert and lawn chairs).

Bosco Bosler calling Friday and Saturday, Marvin Speck calling Sunday, Sharon McNair cuing Friday, Teresa Ray cuing Saturday night and Sunday. For more info, call Ted Jewell at 406-293-1165, or contact Jo Wilson at 406-293-326 or jrussell43@frontiernet.net, or see the Libby Spinning Squares Facebook page.

**April 20 -21, 2019: Saturday Night Fever*

Hosted by Hoodoo Valley Hoedowners and Shirts 'N' Skirts at the Athol Community Center, 30355 3rd St in Athol, ID. Darin Keith, caller, Theresa Ray, Cuer. Friday: 7:30 pre-rounds, 8:00 MS with RD; Saturday: noon RD2/3 workshop, 2:00 PI/MS workshop, 7:00 PIs/RD3, 8:00 MS with RD. Root beer floats all weekend, hot dogs Saturday evening, and malts after the Saturday evening dance.

Coeurly Q's – New website address:

www.coeurlyqsquaredanceclub.weebly.com

1st Saturday (October-May), at the Harding Center in Coeur d'Alene, 7:00 PI/Rd, 8:00 MS/RD. Lessons Wednesdays, with MS at 6:30, rounds at 8:00, and plus at 9:00.

Hoodoo Valley Hoedowners – on Facebook 3rd Saturdays (October-May) at the Edgemere Grange in Priest River, 7:00 plus/RD3, 8:00 MS/RD2.

Kootenai Kloggers – on Facebook

2nd Saturday (October-May), 6:30 PL/RD2-3, 7:30 MS/RD2. Paradise Valley Grange Hall, Bonner's Ferry

Libby Spinning Squares – On Facebook, or

contact Jo Wilson, jrussell43@frontiernet.net 4th Saturday (October-April), 7:00 plus, 8:00 MS; 2nd Sunday Afternoon Oct, Dec. Jan., April & 3rd Sunday in May, 3:00 plus, 4:00 MS. Asa Wood Elementary, Libby MT

Shirts & Skirts – on Facebook

3rd Friday (September-May), Calvary Lutheran Church, Post Falls

AREA II

Lewis & Clark Square & Round Dance Association

Area II Rep: Sylvia and Adam Izbicki, 208-935-7570 adamsylviaizzi@gmail.com, 208-935-8153, 208-512-2289.

Mountain Dew-ers – on Where's the Dance MS dances 2nd and 4th Saturdays 7:30 to 9:30. Clearwater Valley Middle School, Kooskia.

Palouse Promenaders –

2nd & 4th Saturdays (Sept – May) at 7:30, Lena Whitmore Elementary School in Moscow. For info contact Eileen or Fred Hall, at rh1-rv2moscow.com, or call 208-882-7843

Twin City Twirlers – www.twincitytwirlers.com

& on Facebook. Twin City S&RD Hall, Clarkston, WA.

1st and 3rd Saturdays (September-May).

Rounds at 7:30, squares at 8:00.

Fall season starts September 15, Butch Suttey calling.

MS Lessons Thursdays at 6:30, starting September 13.

AREA III
Intermountain Square & Round Dance
Association

Area III Representatives: Fonda Shaddy, 208-284-4466, fondashaddy@gmail.com and Wade Shaddy, 208-409-5740, wadeshad@gmail.com
www.isrdaboiseidaho.org & on Facebook

**August 6: Reunion Dance*

Hosted by Canyon County Stars at the Caldwell Senior Center, 1009 Everett, Caldwell. Potluck at 6:30, dancing after.

**August 23: Special Dance*

Hosted by Tanglefoot Squares at the Boise S&RD Hall. Jay Henderson, caller; TJ Chadd, cuer. 7:00 pre-rounds, 8:00 MS with plus tips.

**September 7: 42nd Annual Pit Q, Western Hoedown*

Boise S&RD Hall. Dinner at 6, followed by dancing, with new dancer introduction to square dancing. For more info, contact Gary & Dorothy Chandler, 208-322-7436.

**October 19-21: ISRDA Round Dance Festival*

Randy and Rose Wulf, featured cuer/teachers. Friday 7:30 RD 3-5. Saturday 10:00 Cha 4 workshop, 12:00 potluck, 1:30 Rumba 4+ workshop, 7:30 RD 3-5. Sunday 10:00 Bolero 5 workshop. For more info contact Susan & Del Bale, dnsbale@msn.com, or call 208-888-1324.

**November 9-10: ISRDA Fall Jubilee: Magic of the Night*

Mike Seastrom, caller, Zina Robertson Rapp, cuer. Saturday evening dress black, white and red. Mike Seastrom, caller; Zina Robertson Rapp, cuer. Friday: 7:00 pre-plus. 7:30 MS, announced plus, 2 RD between tips. Saturday: 1:00 DBD plus, 3:00 A-2, 7:00 pre-rounds, 7:30 MS/MS/Plus/repeat, with 2 RD between tips. Saturday evening dress black, white & red. Chairperson Judie McFarlane, 208-994-8804.

Canyon County Stars – www.canyoncountystars.weebly.com & [on Facebook](#)
Monday evenings at the Caldwell Senior Center. All Position MS 7:00, MS/PI 8:00-9:30. Lessons start September 10 at 7:00.

Capital Squares – on Facebook
Wednesdays at Boise S&RD Hall, lessons 7:00, squares 8:30 to 10:00. (Dance time 7:30 to 9:30 when lessons are over.)

Dance With Me Rounds –
www.dancingchadds.com.
Thursdays at 7:00 at the Boise S&RD Hall, phase 4-5, lessons included.

Gem State Squares –
2nd & 4th Fridays, at 7:30, all plus. Boise S&RD Hall, Darin Keith calling.

Last Chance Squares –
Tuesdays at Maple Grove Grange, Boise.
Summer schedule:
Tuesdays 7:00 – 9:30 MS/Plus/RD with Roy, MS workshop with Marge at 7:30.
Wednesdays RD workshop, waltz 2-3 at 7:00, Rumba 3 at 8:00, Cha 3 at 8:30.

Shadow Casters Advanced –
www.shadowcasters.org
Tuesdays at Boise S&RD Hall.
For info contact Darin Keith at darin.keith80@gmail.com.

Silverleaf – www.silverleafidaho.org & [on Facebook](#)
Saturdays (September-May) at 6:00, Silverleaf Hall, Emmett. 1st Saturday birthday/anniversary potluck.
Summer dancing on Wednesdays cancelled because it is too !*#! Hot, and the first Saturday potluck is moved up to 5:00 (next one August 4). Fall dancing will resume, and lessons will start October 6.

Snake River Rounders – Round dance class Saturdays 10:00–noon, 20783 Trunnell Ct, Wilder. Cha Cha class changed to Thursdays, 7:00-8:30.

Syringa Squares –1st, 3rd, 5th Fridays, September-May, 7:00 prerounds, 7:30 MS/PI. Boise S&RD Hall.

Tanglefoot –
www.tanglefootsquares.weebly.com & on Facebook
Thursdays, 7:00-10:00 Boise S&RD Hall, MS/PI. Lessons starting Sept 13.

The Thistle & Ghillies Scottish Country Dancers – on Facebook

Treasure Valley Rounds –
For info contact Zina Robertson Rapp, 208-571-7475, after 4:00.
Mondays, phase 3-4, 6:00 to 8:00. Boise S&RD Hall.
Two-step lessons Wednesdays, 6:30 to 7:30, Boise S&RD Hall.

AREA IV

Magic Valley Square & Round Dance Association

Area IV Representative: Reed and Pam Dilworth, dilworthreedw@gmail.com, pamlarn67@gmail.com, www.magicvalleysquaredance.com & on Facebook

**August 24, 25, 26: Square Dance Campout.* Fairfield, Idaho, For more info, contact Jennifer Kersey, 208-539-9311, jennifer.christine.kersey@gmail.com. Accommodations include lodge, RV spaces, and tent areas. Organizers need a head count by August 4 so they can purchase food.

**August 7:* Buttons-n-Bows and Magic Valley Singles will be dancing at the Jerome County Fair at 6:00 on the stage.

Buttons-n-Bows –
For info contact Mike or Linda Anderson, 208-934-4068.
2nd and 4th Saturdays (September-May), 7:30 pre-rounds or pre-plus, 8:00 squares; workshops Mondays (November-May) at 7:00. Jerome High School, Jerome.
Fall dancing resumes with the Welcome Back Dance September 8.
New lessons start with the first workshop September 10.

Left Footers – Round-A-Square Center, Rupert. Contact Clare Gill at 208-436-4088 for schedule information. Round dance lesson and workshop Tuesdays.

Magic Valley Singles – on Facebook, or contact Margaret Ralphs at 208-731-2542. Workshops Wednesdays at 7:00. Jerome Senior Center. Jerome.
**Summer dance schedule: June 20, July 18, August 13, and September 19.*

River Reelers –
For info contact Ralph and Brenda Walquist, walquist24@gmail.com, 208-438-5456.
1st and 3rd Saturdays at 7:30, with two rounds between tips. Workshops Thursdays at 7:00. Round-A-Square Center, Rupert.
Fall dancing resumes with the Kickoff Dance September 15.

AREA V

Snake River Square & Round Dance Council

Area V Representatives: Judy & Phil Carlson penguinroost@custertel.net, 208-804-2301

Levis N Lace – Episcopal Parish Hall, Salmon Idaho.
Every other Friday at 2:00.

Lost River Squares – on Facebook
Valley Community Center, Moore.
Schedule varies, check for changes on Facebook page.

Mystic Squares –

At Sullivan's RV Park in Pocatello (1935 S 5th Av).

Thursdays, 4:00 to 5:15 Intro to Basic and MS, 5:15 to 6:30 Intro to Plus, 6:30 to 7:30 Rounds. 3rd Friday, potluck 6:30 to 7:00, plus workshop 7:00 to 9:00.

Other Fridays, pre-rounds 6:00 to 7:00, plus 7:00 to 9:00

*August 9: Dance at 3:00, Quail Ridge Square Dance Ware

*August 10: Potluck and Plus Dance (2nd Friday instead of 3rd Friday due to USA West)

*Dark August 16 and 17

*August 31: Trail-In Dance for Knothead Jamboree

Snake River Advance Squares –

Mondays, Sullivan's RV Park in Pocatello, 7:00 to 9:00.

*Dark in August

Spinning Spuds -

208-237-3609 or on Where's the Dance?

Tuesdays, Crosspoint Community Church in Idaho Falls (1900 Grandview Dr), 7:00 to 9:00.

NEW CLUB! South Fork Squares –

Wednesdays, 7:00-9:00, American Legion Hall in Swan Valley (157 Stoltenberg Ln)

*Dark August 15

Upper Valley Squares –

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST: Regional, National, Continental

August 9-11: 2018 Central Oregon RoundUp
Sisters High School, Sisters, OR. Mike Sikorsky and Steve Noseck, callers; Randy & Rose Wulf, cuers, with Oregon callers and cuers for the trails end dance and the Friday afternoon dance. Thursday: Trails End Dance 7:00 at the Sisters Community Church, 1300 W McKenzie Hwy. Friday: 1:00 MS, 3:00 Adv, 7:00 Pre-Rounds, 7:30 MS with Plus every 3rd tip. Saturday: 1:00 Plus, Intermediate Rounds; 3:00 Advanced; 7:00 Pre-Rounds, 7:30 MS with Plus every 3rd tip.

September 1-3: 63rd Annual Knothead Jamboree

Union Pacific Dining Hall, West Yellowstone, MT. Dan Preedy, featured caller, LaMont Harris, featured cuer. For more info, see www.knotheadjamboree.com.

October 12-13: Walking Through Autumn Leaves

Colorado Round Dance Assn., phase 2-6. Cuers: TJ & Bruce Chadd, Peter & Chama Gomez, John & Karen Herr, Kristine & Bruce Nelson. Occhiato Ballroom, CSU Pueblo, 2200 Bonforte Blvd., Pueblo CO. For more info contact Gary & Charlotte Baxter, 970-593-0137, or cgbaxter50@gmail.com

October 26-27: Seaside Sashay Square Dance Festival

Seaside Civic & Convention Center, 415 1st Av, Seaside, OR. Darin Keith & Scott Zinser, featured callers, Debbi Taylor, featured cuer. For more info, contact Gary & Joyce Clark, 503-647-5742.

June 28-30, 2019: Lolo Trial Round-Up

Lolo Dance Center & Campground, Lolo MT. TJ & Bruce Chadd, cue/instructors. Friday: 7:00 pre-rounds, 7:30 programmed rounds. Saturday: 9:30 workshop, 1:30 workshop, 7:00 pre-rounds, 7:30 programmed rounds. Sunday: 10:00 workshop review. For more info, contact Barry & Bobbie Bartlette, 406-273-0141.

August 17-24, 2019: Extravaganza at Sea
Square and round dance Alaska cruise, aboard
the Norwegian Pearl, round trip from Seattle,
Washington. Callers and cuers: Phil Farmer,
Rob Grigsby, Tim Crawford, Jeremy Butler,
Jeff Palmer, Debbie Steinkirchner, TJ & Bruce
Chadd. Cabins start at \$1245, \$75 dance
package sold separately. To reserve a cabin,
contact John Manning at Cruise Planners, 305-
829-2009, 877-822-2009.

USA West 2018: Reno, NV, August 16-18.

For more info go to Nevada.usawest.net.

USA West 2019: **Boise**

USA West 2020: Dark (national convention in
Spokane)

68th National Square Dance Convention (2019)
Atlanta, GA

69th National Square Dance Convention (2020)
Spokane, WA

42nd Annual Roundalab Convention (2018)
July 6-10, Tulsa OK

For more info, go to www.roundalab.org.

ICBDA (International Choreographed Ballroom
Dancing Association, Phase 3/4/5/6 Rounds)

For more info go to www.icbda.com

2018: Tulsa, OK, July 11-14

2019: Orlando, FL

BC Festival 2019: Salmon Arm, British
Columbia, July 11-13. For more info go to
www.bcfestival2019.com.