

Dixie Crier

1971 **50th** **2021**
Anniversary

Georgia State Square Dance Convention

Fabulous at 50

Thinking Back & Looking Ahead

FRIDAY, September 17, 2021: 2:00 – 10:00 PM
SATURDAY, September 18, 2021: 10:00 AM – 10:00 PM

Georgia State Square Dancers Association, Inc.

*** GSSDA Website - www.gssda.org ***

*** GSSDA Facebook - Georgia State Square Dancers Association ***

DIXIE CRIER NEWSLETTER

The Dixie Crier Newsletter is an educational bulletin of the Georgia State Square Dancers Association, Inc. The opinions expressed in this Newsletter are not necessarily those of the Georgia State Square Dancers Association, Inc. (GSSDA).

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Items of interest, club news, and comments from GSSDA members and member organizations are always welcome and will be published - without charge - as space permits. They must be legibly written or typed using Times New Roman, 12 Font. The submission should be around 300 words or less, and of interest to all dancers.

Submissions **must be signed** to be published. The document must be sent by mail or Email. If sent by Email, an electronic signature is acceptable. Please note that GSSDA reserves the right to omit, condense, or rewrite any items submitted. Please Mail or Email items of interest, club news, comments, ads, and address changes to address listed below. **Submission Deadline is the 15th of January, April, July, and October.**

Months Covered

- Spring Issue (March, April, May, some of June)
- Summer Issue (June, July, August. some of September)
- Fall Issue (September, October, November. some of December)
- Winter Issue (December, January, February, some of March)

AD RATES
(As of: January 2020)

	Size	GSSDA Member	Non-GSSDA Member
Business Card	(3.5 x 2")	\$7.50	\$15.00
Quarter page	(3.75 x 4.75")	\$15.00	\$30.00
Half page, Horizontal	(7.5 x 4.75")	\$30.00	\$60.00
Half page, Vertical	(3.75 x 10")	\$30.00	\$60.00
Full page	(7.5 x 10")	\$50.00	\$100.00

- Please Mail or Email your **Ad Copy** to the address shown below.
- Please mail your **Check** to the address shown below, make check **payable to GSSDA.**

Please note: your ad will not be published until payment has been received. In order to receive the reduced GSSDA Ad Rate, your GSSDA Membership as a Club or Organization must be current.

ARTICLES, ADS & NEWS

GSSDA

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President's Message . . .

May 7-8, 2021 the GSSDA Spring Sashay Dance was held in Rome Georgia. Wow, great weekend. We had 12 Callers, 3 Cuers, 2 Line Leaders, and 1 Contra Prompter. Friday night there were 109 present and Saturday we had 103. It was so nice to see everyone, visit and dance again.



As your club makes plans to reopen, please keep in mind safety first and ensure that the club has renewed the following items:

- √ Georgia State Square Dancers Association (GSSDA) Annual Membership
- √ USDA Insurance requested, update location if this has changed.
- √ Officers contact information updated. We use this for distribution of the Dixie Crier and Club communications.

Georgia State Convention

September 17-18, 2021 is right around the corner. The State Convention will be held at the Gainesville Civic Center, Gainesville GA.

We have 50 years to celebrate!

Order your Georgia State Convention Ribbons Today! Registration form is included in the Dixie Crier.

We look forward to seeing you in Gainesville soon.

Louis & Angie McClure
GSSDA Presidents

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Youth: FREE
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FUN Begins
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FREE
Parking

SQUARES
Mainstream, Plus, DED, Advance,
Challenge, Hot Hash, HEX,
High Energy, Fun Squares,
Easy Mainstream, Singing Calls
Workshops, Seminars

ROUNDS
Intro, Teaches-Dances
Variety of Rhythms & Levels
Rounds w/select Tips

LINES
Teaches & w/select Tips

CONTRA
Intro & Teaches

Vendors

Five Dance Halls
All Wood Floors

Follow us on Facebook: Georgia State Square Dancers Association
Website: www.gssda.org

Click on link below to order your ribbons.

[Georgia State Convention | Georgia State Square Dancers Association \(gssda.org\)](http://www.gssda.org)



GSSDA Spring Sashay Weekend

The Spring Sashay Weekend was held May 7-8, 2021 at the Western Promenaders Club facility in Rome Georgia. We had a great weekend, filled with a lot of dancing and fun! Below is a list of the Dance Leaders that supported this Event, without them it would not have been possible.

Thank you so much for donating your time and talents to GSSDA and the dancers.

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GSSDA Spring Sashay Weekend

Thank you to the Western Promenaders Club for hosting the Concessions Stand for the Spring Sashay Weekend. Many enjoyed the BBQ, hotdogs, and pizza provided.

A special ***“Thank You”*** to the GSSDA Board Members for hosting the annual Spring Sashay Weekend. We had 109 on Friday and 103 on Saturday in attendance.





Great time had by all!

DANCING & FUN in 2021!!

46th TENNESSEE SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE CONVENTION

**WOOD
FLOORS**

August 5-6-7, 2021

**LIVE
BAND!**

W.L. Mills
Conference Center
234 Historic Nature Trail
Gatlinburg, TN 37738

SQUARES

Mainstream - Plus
Advanced - Challenge
Hot Hash - DBD
Hex - Progressive
Singing Calls

ROUNDS

Phase II-VI
Waltz - Rumba
Jive - Two Step
Foxtrot - Mambo
W Coast Swing
Cha - Bolero

Fashion Show
Singles Dance
Contra
Sewing Clinic
After-Party
Vendors

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

THURSDAY: Trail-in Dance 8-11pm
2 Square Dance Halls

1 Dedicated Round Dance Hall

FRIDAY & SATURDAY: 10am -11pm
6 Halls of Dancing

*Live Band: Evening Hours

www.TNSquareDance.org
Facebook: TN Square and
Round Dance Convention



2021 NC State Convention Ticket Information

Our state convention normally provides dancing, workshops, and fun with friends. The dancing features Mainstream, Plus and Advanced Squares, Rounds (up to Phase VI), Hexagons, Lines, Specialty Squares, High Energy Mainstream and DBD.

Other events usually include the Fashion Show and Sewing Clinic. Check out all that our convention offers at our online home:

ncstateconvention.com

Use our web site to buy advance tickets. It's secure and easy. Click on the **Registration** tab for instructions. Your tickets will be given to you on arrival at the convention registration desk at the Hilton Hotel.

General Chairman: Randy & Susan Bowers
Email: bowers@triad.rr.com Tel: 336-375-4360

At The Door Ticket Rates

Full Festival	\$ 25 per person
Friday or Saturday	\$ 15 per person
Youth (under 18) half price with accompanying adult	

The North Carolina Folk Round
& Square Dance Federation
Presents the 31st Annual
NC State Convention
August 20 & 21, 2021

*Under
the
Sea*

ncstateconvention.com

Hilton Raleigh North Hills
3415 Wake Forest Road
Raleigh, NC 27609



Advance Ticket Rates	Cost	Number	Total Due
Full Festival	\$ 20	x _____	= \$ _____
Youth with Adult ticket	\$ 10	x _____	= \$ _____

Request for advance tickets or ticket refunds must be postmarked no later than August 1, 2021.

To purchase tickets by mail:

Bob & Virginia Walker
1038 Mill Creek Rd
Franklin, NC 28734-7729
Tel: 828-349-0905
Email: eztoo@morrisbb.net

To order advance convention tickets by mail, complete this form and mail it **with a #10 self-addressed (business) envelope** to Bob & Virginia Walker. If you have any questions, call or email the Walkers. Make checks payable to "NC State Convention".

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Method of Payment: Check _____ Credit Card _____

Name on Card: _____

Credit Card Type: Visa _____ MasterCard _____ AMEX _____ Discover _____

Credit Card #: _____ Expiration _____ mm/yr

Credit Card CVV# _____

Office Use Only

\$ Received: _____

Cash: _____

Check#: _____

Date Tickets

Mailed _____

Georgia State Convention News

GSSDA is planning a fantastic Georgia State Convention for September. This won't be the same old convention event, make plans to come join us and order your Convention Ribbon today!

GSSDA Memory Wall



This year we want to honor those that have passed since our last State Convention (2019-2021). Please submit a picture (jpeg) and a brief writeup to include name, birth and death dates, and pertinent biography information (i.e., club membership, offices held, years as Dance Leader, etc.).

Please limit to one page 8.5 x 11. Please email to: mcclureac@charter.net or mail to: GSSDA, P.O. Box 1120, Flowery Branch GA 30542.

Dance Leader Hospitality Room



We are asking Dancers, Clubs, and Federations to make a donation to help feed our Dance Leaders and staff during the Georgia State Convention. Due to the current restrictions, we ask that you make a monetary donation and not provide food for this purpose. Our Hospitality Committee will purchase all items used in the Hospitality Room. Please mail check to: GSSDA, P.O. Box 1120, Flowery Branch GA 30542.

GSSDA Winter Dance 2022



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We are looking for a location to bring back the GSSDA Winter Dance. GSSDA is looking for a Club or Federation to partner with for this event. This event will be held on a Saturday, with a Fun Dance in the afternoon to recruit students for a class to begin soon afterwards. We want to help grow square dancing in the area. For additional information please contact Angie McClure 678-956-0287, mcclureac@charter.net.



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HOUSING ACCOMMODATIONS

CHECK RATINGS and REVIEWS and CONFIRM ALL CANCELLATION POLICIES
 as they may vary based on the property and rate. Mention **"Square Dance"** when making reservations!

Don Carter State Park Campgrounds	5000 N. Browning Bridge Rd., Gainesville, Ga. Gastateparks.org/DonCarter	678-450-7726	1.7 miles
Ramada by Wyndham	400 EE Butler Hwy., Gainesville, Ga.	770-531-0907	1.1 miles
Hampton Inn	450 Jesse Jewell Pkwy, Gainesville, Ga.	770-503-0300	1.4 miles
EconoLodge - (American Best Value)	809 Jesse Jewell Pkwy, Gainesville, Ga.	770-534-0303	1.7 miles
Motel 6	1585 Monroe Dr., Gainesville, Ga.	770-532-7531	1.7 miles
Guest Lodge	520 Queen City Pkwy, Gainesville, Ga.	770-535-8100	1.7 miles
Super 8 Motel	541 Dorsey St./Jesse Jewell Pkwy, Gainesville, Ga.	800-536-1211	1.9 miles
Hilton Garden Inn	1735 Browns Bridge Rd. Gainesville, Ga	770-532-3396	2.7 miles
TownePlace Suites	1745 Browns Bridge Rd Gainesville GA	678-971-4102	2.7 miles
Fairfield Inn & Suites	1755 Browns Bridge Rd. Gainesville, Ga.	678-971-4670	2.8 miles
Holiday Inn Express	1189 Dawsonville Hwy, Gainesville, Ga.	770 533-5140	4.2 miles

REGISTRATION	QUANTITY	SUBTOTAL
Early Registration @ \$25.00 (\$30.00 after 9/1/2021)		\$
Single Day \$ 15.00 Friday or Saturday (\$20.00 after 9/1/2021)		\$
Youth - FREE		FREE
Must be Postmarked by September 1, 2021*	Total Due:	\$

*No refunds after September 1, 2021 *No ribbons will be mailed after September 1st, available at Registration Table.

Name(s): _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Email: _____

I would like to volunteer. Club(s) Membership: _____

To help us plan our staff and halls, please select where you will dance the most. ***Please check all that apply:***
 _____ Mainstream _____ Plus _____ Advanced _____ Challenge _____ HEX Squares _____ DBD _____ Fun Squares
 _____ Dangle Dances _____ Lines _____ CONTRA ROUNDS: _____ II. _____ III. _____ IV. _____ V, _____ VI

Are you a: _____ Caller _____ Cuer _____ Contra Prompter _____ Lines Instructor

Mail check payable to GSSDA, P.O. Box 1120, Flowery Branch GA 30542

Please include self-addressed, stamped envelope for mailing.

Schedules, activities, general information are correct at press time, but are subject to change.
 Visit our website: www.gssda.org or our Facebook Page: Georgia State Square Dancers Association (GSSDA) for latest updates.

Georgia State Convention – September 17 – 18

Volunteers Needed

The Georgia State Convention takes **many volunteers** to happen. Below is a brief list of committees and descriptions. Please contact Angie McClure to volunteer or for additional information 678-956-0287. *Thank you for volunteering!*

50th

- ✓ 50/50 Pot of Gold: coordinate and staff table to sell 50/50 tickets.
- ✓ Cleanup Committee: the dance is over, now we must vacate the building quickly.
- ✓ **Clothing Sale: *New event in 2021!* This committee will organize and conduct a gently used clothing sale on Saturday.**
- ✓ Convention Program Book: committee to sell ads and design the Program Book
- ✓ Dancer Leader and Staff: invite and coordinate Dance Leaders
- ✓ Decorating Committee: the fun committee
- ✓ Door Greeters: greet attendees and direct traffic; staff will work 2-hour shifts
- ✓ Food Concessions: this committee is responsible for maintaining the water stations in each dance hall, provide food concessions for lunch and dinner.
- ✓ Health & Safety / First Aid Committee: this committee will follow Covid-19 guidance and develop a plan for the State Convention. First Aid Coordinator to handle emergencies during event.
- ✓ Hospitality - Dance Leaders & Staff
- ✓ **Leadership Training Program: *New event in 2021!* We will launch this Program at the 2021 Georgia State Convention. We are looking for presenters that would like to develop and present a seminar.**
- ✓ National Square Dance Convention® Coordinator (NSDC): invite and coordinate NSDC
- ✓ Program – this committee will develop the dance program for the weekend. We are looking for new ideas and suggestions, let's put the FUN back into dancing. (i.e., dangle dances, fun dances, etc.)
- ✓ Publicity Committee
- ✓ Registration Desk: check in attendees, welcome new dancers, check in Dance Leaders
- ✓ Room Monitors & Counters: take room counts throughout the weekend.
- ✓ Signage Committee: design and produce the signs for event.
- ✓ Sound Committee: assist with sounding each of the dance halls
- ✓ Vendor Committee: committee will invite vendors, oversee move in and out.

Please contact Angie McClure to volunteer 678-956-0287





Help Needed Immediately!

The Georgia State Square Dancers Association (GSSDA) Board needs your help. We are looking for additional Board Members to help plan upcoming Georgia events and the following volunteers. Currently, our GSSDA Board meetings are being held via Zoom making it easy for Board Members to attend.



Publicity Chairman – responsibilities include advertising all GSSDA events on social media, email flyers to counterparts in surrounding states, etc. Help get the GSSDA News out to the dancers.



Webmaster – responsibilities include maintaining the GSSDA website to ensure it is current and informative.



Dixie Crier Editor – responsibilities include collecting input from clubs, federations, and organizations. Write special interest articles as needed. Assemble information into the Dixie Crier Newsletter each quarter and distribute to distribution list.



CLASS GRADUATION

Are you having a Class Graduation?

Great, we want to come!

Please provide information on your Class Graduation, please include the number of students graduating, date, time, and location. Please email information to L-amcclure@charter.net or call 678-956-0287.

We look forward to celebrating the class graduation.

Let's grow dancing in Georgia!

Where Is Your Club Dancing?



Many of our normal dance locations are closed and we cannot dance there. If your Club is dancing in an alternate location, you need to update your USDA Club Insurance by logging onto the USDA Insurance Portal. If you have any questions, please contact your USDA Insurance Representative.



Attention 2020-2021 Square Dance Class Graduates

Bring your 2020 and 2021 GSSDA Graduation Card to the September 17-18, 2021 Georgia State Convention in Gainesville GA and receive a **FREE** 2021 Convention Ribbons. This offer is only available to new graduates from Mainstream Square Dance class.

www.gssda.org

Clubs having an upcoming graduation, please contact Angie & Louis McClure with ceremony information, date, time, place. We would like to attend your Graduation Ceremony and present the Graduation Cards to your class. L-mcclure@charter.net



Dance Leader Showcase

Each Dixie Crier GSSDA will spotlight a Georgia Dance Leader(s). These individuals have devoted many hours to learning and practicing their trade. We appreciate all the many Dance Leaders that help to make dancing fun and possible in Georgia. ***Are you interested in being a Caller or Cuer – there are grants to help with attending a school.*** The annual National Square Dance Convention® offers a ***free 4-day Caller School*** lead by Callerlab Coaches and Tony Oxendine. Please contact the GSSDA Presidents for additional information.



Doug O. Jernigan

Central Savannah River Area Square & Round Federation (CSRA S/R)



Doug Jernigan was born in Vicksburg Mississippi on September 13 in a 1931 Chevrolet Coupe. Soon after his birth, the family moved to Kilgore Texas where Doug attended school, at that time there were more oil derricks in Kilgore than people. In 1940, the family moved to Mississippi where Doug enjoyed playing football, baseball, ran track, and was a member of the Beta Club. Doug worked on a Mississippi river tow boat as an oiler and deck hand. He was advanced to be “Mate” or Head Deck Hand before leaving the job. Doug and Lavern Jernigan have three sons and five grandchildren.

Doug Jernigan is a truly dedicated Square Dance Caller, calling to the floor so that all dancers can dance. Doug is a self-taught caller of both patter and singing calls in Mainstream thru Advance Level II. Doug became interested in Square Dancing only after his wife, Lavern, hounded him into it. He said he was not going to get on the dance floor, but once she got him up, he has not been still since. After a year of dancing, Doug began teaching himself to call Round Dances and later teaching himself to Call Singing Calls but would not Call a dance. He continued to work on his calling skills teaching himself to call Patter by listening to records. In 1961, he felt confident enough and at the urging of other Callers and dancers, he began calling Patter at his Home Square Dance Club.

Soon Doug became popular with other clubs in a three-state area and began to call for Special Events. Later in life when asked why he did not record earlier he said he just enjoyed calling too much at his local Square Dance clubs. In 1992, he started recording records which gave his calling career a huge boost. Doug has called in 15 states, including Hawaii, as well as in Nova Scotia Canada. In 1979 he was invited to Puerto Rico to conduct a Caller Clinic for five days for their Callers at the Roosevelt Rhodes Naval Air Station. He and 30 Georgia dancers stayed there for seven days. He called an Island Jamboree on Saturday night. Doug was invited to call at the International Square Dance Convention in Gothenburg Sweden and the next year in Austria however his work at home prevented the time away.

Doug is a Charter Member of the Georgia Callers Associates. This year the Georgia State Square Dancers Association (GSSDA) will celebrate 50 years Anniversary. Doug stated that he has enjoyed calling at every one of the State Conventions include the Pre-Convention Dances. He recently called at the annual Spring Sashay Dance in Rome GA. We want to thank Doug Jernigan for his dedication to Square and Round Dancing in Georgia.

FEDERATION NEWS

Due to the Coronavirus and Government Regulations,
please check with clubs before attending dances.

HEART OF GEORGIA FEDERATION, MACON, GA

Location: Howard Community Club
5645 Forsyth Road, Macon, GA
Dance Night: 5th Friday
Dance Times: 7:00 – 9:30 pm – Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating with Rounds and Lines
Caller: Federation Callers and Cuer
Cuer: Federation Cuers
Information: Karen Kight 478-477-8339 or Darlene Wood 478-718-8052
Email: kekight@yahoo.com

July 24 Special Summer Fun (Indoor Picnic) Dance. Caller: Tom Wood. Cuer: Peggy Ellington
Dance Time: 2:30 pm “Until We Drop” Usually about 5:30.

Federation furnishes fried chicken entrée and requests that dancers furnish side dishes for a full meal. Free to Heart of Georgia members. Non-Members \$8.00 Information: Head count needed. Contact: Karen Kight 478-477-8339 or Kekight@yuahoo.com or Darlene Wood: 478-718-8052. We’ll need name and contact information (in case of emergency cancellation). Extra Info: Wear a cool summer outfit. Door prizes, split the pot, special “fun” activities.

HOORAY WE’RE DANCING AGAIN!!!

METRO ATLANTA SQUARE DANCERS ASSOCIATION, MARIETTA, GA

Location: Mountain View Community Center
3400 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta, GA
Dance Nights: 5th Saturday
Dance Times: 7:00 pm – Early Rounds
8:00 – 10:00 pm - Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating with Rounds
Caller: Various Callers
Cuer: Various Cuers
Information: Eric or Cindy Buckler at 404-667-4951
Email: buckler.eric@gmail.com
Website: www.MASDA.net

Dance Admission and FOOTNOTES are included with your MASDA membership

NORTHEAST GEORGIA (NEGF)

Location: Various Locations in the Northeast Georgia Federation Area
Dance Nights: 5th Saturday
Dance Times: 7:30 pm – Early Rounds
8:00 – 10:00 pm - Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating with Rounds/Lines
Information: Sherry Turner 404-693-4268
Email: hess1965@gmail.com

Please check the NEGF website for information. www.negf.net

Club News

Please check with clubs before attending dances.

BARTOW DIXIE GRANDS, CARTERSVILLE, GA

Location: Bartow County Senior Center
102 Zena Dr., Cartersville
Dance Nights: 1st, 3rd, and 5th Monday
Dance Times: 7:30 – 9:30 pm – Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating Lines
Caller: Clyde Couch – 1st & 3rd Mondays
Guest Caller: Guest Caller 5th Mondays
Line Instructor: Melba Trapp, Brenda Morris and Allie Parnell
Information: Raiford Peacock, President 678-425-4256
Email: raiford.peacock@yahoo.com
Facebook: Bartow Dixie Grands
Website: BartowDixieGrands.com

Jun 7 Crazy Shoes Dance - Wear mis-matched shoes
Jun 14 Round Dance Class – Beginning Waltz with Aneesa Barge
Jun 21 American Eagle – Patriotic Dance
Jun 28 Round Dance Class – Beginning Waltz with Aneesa Barge
Jul 12 Round Dance Class – Beginning Rumba with Aneesa Barge– new students welcome
Jul 19 American Bandstand Square Dance. Guest Caller: Dan Nordbye.
Entertainment/concert before dance; Food table opens at 7:00; visitor fee \$7;
Round Dances to 60's music between tips; Stroll; Loco-motion; Mashed Potato;
Swim; Shimmy; Twist; Watusi; etc.
Jul 26 Round Dance Class – Beginning Rumba – Last night open to new students welcome
Aug 2 Summer Salad Dance
Aug 9 Round Dance Class – Beginning Rumba with Aneesa Barge
Aug 16 Luck of the Draw Dance. Numerous Games of Chance.
Aug 23 Round Dance Class – Beginning Rumba with Aneesa Barge
Aug 30 Twilight Cruise Dance. Special Dance \$7 per dancer.

BELLES & BEAUX SQUARE DANCERS, VALDOSTA, GA

Location: Valdosta Senior Center
1360 East Park Ave. (next to a fire station), Valdosta, GA
Dance Nights: Tuesday (every unless otherwise announced)
Dance Times: 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm – Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating lines
Caller: George Lavender
Information: George home 229-241-1484
Email: glavender@mchsi.com

Due to the current situation with the Coronavirus – our facility is closed.
Please call to verify that we are dancing before coming to a dance.

CHEROKEE PROMENADERS, CALHOUN, GA

Location: Calhoun Recreation Department
601 S. River St., Calhoun, GA
Dance Nights: Thursday (every)
Dance Times: 6:30 pm - Class
7:30 – 9:00 pm - Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating with Lines
Caller: Ronnie Langley
Line Instructor: Brenda Morris and Allie Parnell
Information: Wanda Sheriff, 706-266-7284
Facebook: Cherokee Promenaders – Calhoun, GA

No Dances Schedule due to The Calhoun Recreation Department being closed.

CHEROKEE SQUARES, WOODSTOCK, GA

Location: New Location: Woodstock Senior Center
223 Arnold Mill Road, Woodstock, GA
Dance Nights: 2nd & 4th Friday
Dance Times: 7:30 – 9:30 pm - Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating with Rounds
Caller: John Norris
Cuer: Aneesa Barge
Information: Hazel & Paul Stover at 404-408-3180; 404-245-5788
Email: go-rv05@comcast.net
Website: www.cherokeesquares.com

Jun 11 Father's Day Dance
Jul 9 Red, White & Blue
Aug 13 Summer Dance

The Senior Center Requires Everyone to Wear a Mask!
Temperature Check at the Door. No Food/Drink Table

CLASSIC CITY SQUARES, ATHENS, GA

Location: Unitarian Universal Fellowship
780 Timothy Road, Athens, GA
Dance Nights: 2nd & 4th Sunday (Note Exceptions)
Dance Times: 2:30 pm - Workshop
3:00 – 5:00 pm – Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating with Rounds/Lines
Caller: Guest Callers
Cuer: Mike Michel
Information: Susan Derrick –770-315-9319
Email: sderrick9319@gmail.com
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/classiccitysquares>

Due to Coronavirus, no dances until further notice.

CROSSFIRE SQUARES, CONYERS, GA

Location: Elks-Aidmore Gym
2394 Morrison Rd, Conyers, GA
Dance Nights: 1st & 3rd Friday
Dance Times: 7:30 pm – Workshop
8:00 – 10:00 pm – Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating with Rounds
Caller: Steve Holzhausen
Information: Howard & Jo McDermott, 770-981-4574
Email: hdcnde@bellsouth.net

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DANC’N SINGLES SQUARE DANCE CLUB, MARIETTA, GA

Location: St. Jude Episcopal Church
220 Windy Hill Road, Marietta, GA 30060
Dance Nights: 2nd & 4th Saturday
Dance Times: 8:00 – 10:00 pm - Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating with Rounds
Caller: Buddy Trundle
Cuer: Aneesa Barge
Information: Pat Inglis – 404-294-0268 or John Pardue 404-876-2155
Email: pinglish@agnesscott.edu

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FRIDAYNITE LIVE, RINGOLD, GA

Location: Catoosa Senior Center
144 Catoosa Circle, Ringgold, GA
Dance Nights: 1st & 3rd Friday
Dance Times: 7:00 – 9:00 pm - Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating with Rounds
Caller: Alan Hall
Cuer: Connie Goodman
Information: 423-31-9038 or 706-260-7294

GEORGIA STATE SINGLES, MACON, GA

Location: Howard Community Club
5645 Forsyth Road, Macon, GA
Dance Nights: May 14 and 15, 2021
Caller: Jet Roberts from Owens Cross Roads, AL
Cuer: TBA
Information: Carol Slentz 478-747-0304 or Joyce Mosely 478-737-1565
Email: joyce.mosely@cox.net

May 13 & 14, 2022

GOLD COUNTRY, DAHLONEGA

Location: Lumpkin County Senior Center
266 Mechanicsville Rd, Dahlonega, GA
Dance Nights: 1st & 3rd Friday
Dance Times: 7:00 pm - Workshop
7:30 – 9:30 pm – Dancing Mainstream/Plus
Caller: Ricky Simpson
Information: Jane Hughes at 940-452-2325
Email: jljhughes@gmail.com
Facebook: Gold Country Squares
Website: www.goldcountrysquares@weebly.com

HAPPY SQUARES, ATHENS, GA

Location: Covenant Presbyterian Church
1065 Gaines School Road, Athens, GA
Dance Nights: 2nd & 4th Thursdays
Dance Times: 7:00 pm - Workshop
7:30 – 9:30 pm - Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating with Rounds & Lines
Caller: Richard Smith
Cuer: Mike Michel
Information: Mike Michel, President; Home 706-584-3027 or Cell 706-340-0480
Email: Michel344@charter.net

Due to coronavirus, no dances scheduled

HIGH MOUNTAIN SQUARES, FRANKLIN, NC

Location: Robert C. Carpenter Community Building
Highway 441, Franklin, NC
Dance Nights: 1st, 3rd and most 5th Friday
Dance Times: 6:15 Workshop
6:45 – 8:45 pm - Dancing Mainstream/Plus with 5th Friday Rounds & Lines
Caller: Guest Callers
Cuer: Michael McDonald
Line Instructor: Debbie McClain
Information: 828-787-2324, 828-226-3382, 828-226-1030
E-Mail: donandbetty9126@frontier.com
Facebook: High Mountain Squares

Due to coronavirus, no dances scheduled

HILTON HEAD OCEAN WAVES, HILTON HEAD, SC

Location: Palmetto Electric
One Cooperative Way, Hardeeville, SC
Dance Nights: 1st Saturday
Dance Times: 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm
Caller: Various
Line Instructor: Lisa Aldert
Information: Linda Collins 843-757-2789
Email: Lindacoolercollins@gmail.com
Facebook: HH-Ocean Waves

We will be dark until the end of June 2021 due to the virus.
Hopefully will have a dance date by July 2021

IRISH REELERS, DUBLIN GA

Location: Southwest Laurens County Elementary School
1799 Georgia Highway 117, Rentz, GA
Dance Nights: 2nd & 4th Friday
Workshops: Tuesday on following Tuesday
Dance Times: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm - Dancing Mainstream/Plus
Caller:
Information: Dee Padgett, President - 478-595-8895
Email: janicehr@icloud.com

Due to the Coronavirus, all dances suspended. Stay Safe!!

JEKYLL ISLAND SQUARES, BRUNSWICK, GA

Location: Christian Life Center in the back of College Place United Methodist Church
3890 Altama Ave., Brunswick, GA
Dance Nights: Mondays (every) beginning July 5, 2021
Dance Times: 7:00 – 9:00 pm - Dancing Mainstream/Plus and some Lines
Caller: Don Heins
Information: 912-265-1504, 912-269-7909
Email: donheins@msn.com

Starting back to dance July 5th, 2021.

JUG TAVERN SQUARES, WINDER, GA

Location: YMCA
50 Brad Akins Dr. Winder, GA
Dance Nights: 2nd & 4th Friday
Dance Times: 7:00 – 8:45 pm – Dancing Mainstream/Plus; as of this date no Rounds/Lines
Caller: Steve Holzhausen
Cuer: Bob Morrison (When rounds resume)
Information: Presidents: Harry & Nancy Warren 770-633-0401
Email: meanddado5@gmail.com
Website: www.jugtavernsquares.org
Facebook: Jug Tavern Squares

Jun 11 Where's the Beach?? Dance
Jun 25 Regular Dance
Jul 9 Christmas in July
Jul 23 Heroes in Blue Dance (Honoring our Police and Sheriff Depts) Wear your Blue
Aug 13 Eat Mor Chikin Dance; Chick-Fil-A Cow / or wear your Black & White
Aug 27 Regular Dance

KENNESAW SQUARE DEALERS, KENNESAW, GA

Location: Ben Robertson Community Center
2753 Watts Drive, Kennesaw GA
Dance Nights: 1st, 3rd & 5th Friday
Dance Times: 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm - Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating with Rounds
Caller: Various
Cuer: Aneesa Barge
Information: Bill & Julie Jarrett at 770-354-5968
Email: officers@squaredealers.com
Facebook: Kennesaw Square Dealers
Website: www.squaredealers.com

Jun 4 Dancin' to the 70's
Jun 18 Anniversary Dance with Guest Caller: Ricky Gittelman
Jul 16 Popsicle Dance
Jul 30 Chocolate Chip Cookie Dance
Aug 20 Back to School (change of location for this dance -Mountain View Community Center
3400 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta, GA)

LAKESHORE SQUARES, GAINESVILLE, GA

Location: Mulberry Creek Community Center (Temporary Location)
4491 JM Turk Road, Flowery Branch GA 30542

Dance Nights: 1st & 3rd Saturday

Dance Times: See Below

Lessons: Scheduled to be Announced Later

Caller: Randy Ramsey

Cuer: Mike McDonald

Line Instructor: Debbie McClain

Information: Louis & Angie McClure, Presidents - 678-956-0287

Email: L-Amclure@charter.net

Website: www.lakeshoresquares.com

Facebook: Lakeshore Squares

The First Presbyterian Church has not opened the gym to community activities yet. We are excited to announce that Lakeshore Squares will be dancing in June at a temporary location. Please come join us!



June 5th & 19th Lakeshore Squares will dance at **Mulberry Creek Community Center**, 4491 JM Turk Road, Flowery Branch GA 30542. 6:30 – 8:30 pm Mainstream and Plus, no Rounds/Lines. Guest Caller Charlie Petrea. We will serve bottled water only; no refreshments will be served.

Please check our website for updates after June 2021

MAGNOLIA SQUARES, CAIRO GA

Location: First United Methodist Church / Magnolia Squares
318 S. Broad Street, Cairo, GA

Dance Nights: Friday (every)

Dance Times: 7:00 – 9:00 pm - Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating Lines

Caller: George Lavender

Information: George Lavender at 229-241-1481

Email: glavender@mchsi.com

Due to the current situation with the Coronavirus – our facility is closed.
Please call to verify that we are dancing before coming to a dance.

MAHOGONY SPIN TIPS, ATLANTA, GA

Location: Radcliffe Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
286 Hamilton E. Holmes Drive, NW, Atlanta, GA
Dance Nights: 1st & 3rd Wednesday
Dance Times: 7:30 – 9:30 pm - Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating Rounds/ Lines
Caller: Randy Ramsey
Cuer: Carlene Bohannon
Line Instructor: Zelda Kindell
Information: Thomas Myles at 404-768-6144; Marshell Brown at 404-344-5437
Due to the current situation with the Coronavirus – our facility is closed.

NEWTON HAYRIDERS, COVINGTON, GA

Location: First Presbyterian Church of Covington
1169 Clark Street, Covington, GA
Dance Nights: 2nd & 4th Monday
Dance Times: 7:30 – 9:30 pm – Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating with Rounds and Lines
Callers: Steve Holzhausen and John Gibson
Line Instructor: Connie Miracle
Information: Shirley Reichard at 678-575-5136 or Mary Jane Howard 770-842-7116.
Email: reichardshirley@yahoo.com
Facebook: www.facebook.com/NewtonHayriders

Due to the current situation with the Coronavirus – our facility is closed.

OCONEE RIVER BUSKERS, MILLEDGEVILLE, GA

Location: Walter B. Williams Recreation Park, Baldwin County Recreation Department
on Highway 22, Milledgeville, GA
Dance Nights: Monday (every)
Dance Times: 6:30 – 8:30 pm - Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating with Rounds
Caller: Bill Jones
Cuer: Peggy & Doyle Ellington
Information: Doug & Gail Pohl 478-414-8622

PAIRS AND SPARES, MACON, GA

Location: Theron Ussery Recreation Center
815 North Macon Park Drive, Macon, GA
Dance Nights: Monday (every Monday except holidays)
Dance Times: 6:00 – 8:00 pm - Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating with Lines
Caller: Tom Wood
Information: Barbara Rowell 478-538-5397
Email: nanny5799@icloud.com

SILVER STARS, LAWRENCEVILLE, GA

Location: Bethesda Park Senior Center
225 Bethesda Church Road SW, Lawrenceville, GA

Dance Nights: 2nd & 4th Saturday

Dance Times: 8:00 – 10:00 pm - Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating with Rounds

Lessons: Call Jon Martin 770-736-0810

Caller: Troy Grooms

Cuer: Sandra Hirschler

Information: Debbie Bradberry 770-466-8372 or Jon Martin 770-736-0810

Email: Randy.Debbie@silverstarssquaredance.com

Facebook: Silver Stars Square Dance Club

Website: www.silverstarssquaredance.com

Dancers Vaccinated for Covid-19 are welcome...
Masks may be required for those not vaccinated

Jul 10 All Gospel Singing Call Dance
Jul 24 Ice Cream Dance
Aug 14 50's Dance
Aug 28 Caller and Cuer Appreciation Dance.



Afternoon rest at the Spring Sashay Dance

SWINGIN' HARTS SQUARE DANCE CLUB, HARTWELL, GA

Location: Hart County Recreation Center
200 Clay Street, Hartwell, GA
Dance Nights: 1st & 3rd Friday
Dance Times: 7:00 pm - Workshop
7:30 – 9:30 pm - Square Dancing with Rounds when Requested
Caller: Bob Morrison
Cuer: Bob Morrison
Information: Kathleen Neal, President - 706-255-7929
Bob Williams, Vice-President - 706-202-2611
Email: brendastrickland55@yahoo.com
Facebook: We regularly post to "Square Dance North Georgia" and "GSSDA".

Jun 4 Summertime Dance
Jul 2 We Love America! (Red, White, & Blue Dance)
July 16 Dance Canceled because of...

July 17 (Saturday) Special Dance with National Caller Dan Norbye. See flyer in Dixie Crier for details.

Aug 20 Birthday Party Dance
Sep 3 Gospel Music Dance
Sept 17 Dance Canceled - See you at the GSSDA State Convention in Gainesville.

Swingin' Harts has been very fortunate this year because Hart County never closed the rec center where we dance. Also, because we are no longer limited in the number of people we can have in the facility, reservations as no longer required.

We would love to have you come dance with us - **especially on Saturday, July 17th**. You will so much enjoy enjoying dancing at one of the friendliest clubs around - and Lorrie Morrison's cookies are always available!

We **do not** have a dress code, so come in your square dance attire, if that is your choice, but just know that most of us prefer casual.

SUN CITY SQUARES, BLUFFTON, SC

Location: Pinckney Hall on Del Webb Blvd.
Sun City Hilton Head Hwy 278, Bluffton, SC
Dance Nights: Tuesday - Every
Dance Times: 6:30 pm - Dancing Mainstream (4th tip Plus) with Lines and Rounds
8:00 – 9:30 pm - Dancing Plus
Caller: Sam Rowan
Information: Gated Community – Call for gate pass
Susan Joy Rowan 843-705-6745 (leave message)

WESTERN PROMENADERS, ROME, GA

Location: Western Promenaders Barn
327 Woods Road, Rome, GA
Dance Nights: 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th Saturday
Dance Times: 7:30 9:30 - Dancing Mainstream/Plus alternating with Rounds and Lines
Caller: Clyde Couch – 2nd, 4th & 5th Pending 3rd
Lines: Lois Roberts 2nd & 3rd; Allie Parnell 4th & 5th
Cuer: 4th – (We are **not** currently having round dancing)
Information: Dick Lemelin at 706 409-2311 or Melba Trapp at 706-766-4418
Facebook: Western Promenaders
Website: westernpromenaders

Jun 12 June Bug Dance
Jun 19 ***SPECIAL DANCE*** “Gone Fishin’” Dance. Guest Caller: Jet Roberts
Jun 26 Hot Dog Heaven Dance
Jul 10 Wagons “Ho”
Jul 17 National Lottery Day
Jul 24 Yellow Rock Dance
Jul 31 A “Dip-A-Di Do Da Dance
Aug 14 Elvis’ Pink Cadillac
Aug 21 South of the Border
Aug 28 Surfin’ Safari Dance

WESTERN SQUARE DANCERS, MACON, GA

Location: Howard Community Club
5645 Forsyth Road, Macon, GA
Dance Nights: Thursday (every Thursday except the 4th)
Dance Times: 7:00 – 9:00 pm – Dancing mainstream/Plus alternating with rounds
Caller: Tom Wood
Cuer: Peggy Ellington
Information: Joyce Mosely 478-737-1565 or Tom Wood 478-718-0308
Email: joyce.mosely@cox.net

Western Square are back dancing!.

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