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Square & Round Dance Council

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2025-2026

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<http://www.coloradosquaredance.com/cwasrdc>

CWAS&RDC COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

JAN 10 2027	?????????
MAR 21, 2027	FOUR CORNERS DANCERS – CORTEZ CO.
MAY 2, 2027	?????????
AUG 23, 2027	CWAS&RDC - VFW HALL, 503 ½ FLORENCE RD, GRAND JCT.
NOV 21 2026	CHATFIELD COUNTRY KICKERS – CWAS&RDC MEETING AND TURKEY TROMP

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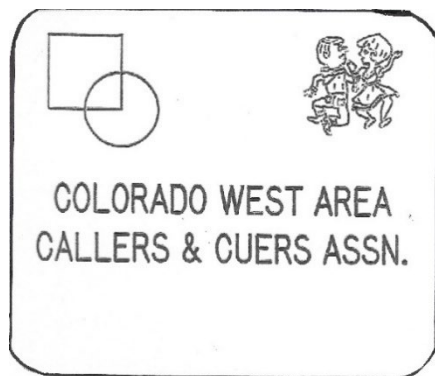
CWAS&RDC PAST PRESIDENTS

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CITY</u>
1951	Paul Davis*	NA
1952	Forrest Adair*	Grand Junction
1953	Howard* & Jean* Martsolf	Grand Junction
1954-1955	Lamar* & Joan Podbevsek	Glenwood Springs
1956-1957	Dale* & Marion* McClaran	Montrose
1957-1958	Lee & Dee* Cogswell	Mack
1980-1981	Dale* & Marion* McClaran	Montrose
1981-1982	Lee & Dee* Cogswell	Mack
1982-1983	Pat McBride	Grand Junction
1983-1984	Glenn & Twila Locke	Grand Junction
1984-1985	Dave & Terry* Schiessl	Eagle
1985-1986	Don & Phyllis Burrows	Cedaredge
1986-1987	Don & Kathy Dodson	Grand Junction
1987-1988	Charlie* & Janis Brown	Craig
1988-1999	Larry & Kathee* Schulz	Grand Junction
1989-1991	Carl* & Rosie Kerns	Grand Junction
1991-1992	Dale* & Marion* McClaran	Montrose
1992-1994	Leon & Betty* Chapman	Montrose
1994-1996	Chuck & Carol Watkins	Grand Junction
1996-1998	Gary* & Jan Gardner	Cortez
1998-2000	Carl* & Rosie Kerns	Grand Junction
2001-2002	Bob* & Andi* Slade	Rifle
2002-2004	Jim & Maggie Stafford	Grand Junction
2004-2005	Ervin & Nancy Wyatt	Montrose
2005-2006	Lee & Dee* Cogswell	Mack
2006-2007	Don & Judy* Morris	Cortez
2007-2008	Andy* & Frankie Logan	Cortez
2009-2010	Darryl & Dixie* Dye	Clifton
2011-2015	Ronnie*& Vonnie Robinson	Cortez
2015-2016	Paul* & JoAnn Eakins	Grand Junction
2016-2018	Ronnie*& Vonnie Robinson	Cortez
2018-2020	Jim & Maggie Stafford	Grand Junction

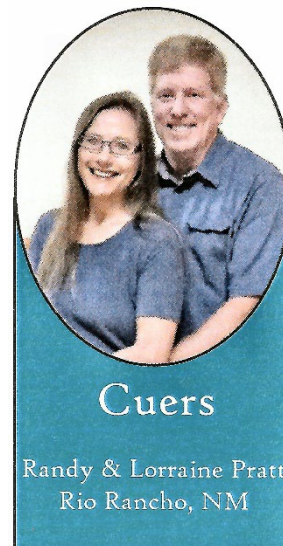
*Deceased



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Elaine O'Neill Mike Lee, Pat McBride



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S = Squares, O = Cue & Instruct, C = Cuer, P = Party Nights,
CL = CALLERLAB, RL = ROUNDALAB





COLORADO WEST AREA SQUARE & ROUND DANCE HALL OF FAME

FIRST INDUCTEES 2003

*BURL & *BOBBIE STARR
*BOB & *MILDRED ELAM
*BOB & *PEARLINE ARPKE
*GEORGE & *WILMA SAWYER
*TOM & DOT DOHERTY

2004

CHUCK & CAROL WATKINS
PAT & WANDA MCBRIDE

2005

*DALE & *MARIAN McCLARAN
*ANDY & FRANKIE LOGAN

2006

*ADELA (DEL) COVEY
*LAMAR & JOAN PODBEVSEK

2007

*CARL & ROSIE KERNS
LEE & *DEE COGSWELL

2008

*HOWARD & *JEAN MARTSOLF
DON & *JUDY MORRIS

2009

JIM & MAGGIE STAFFORD
LELAND & LOLA HOWARD

2010 NO INDUCTEES

2011

RICHARD & RUTH BERRY
*WILBUR & LOIS RICHARDSON

2012

LARRY & *KATHEE SCHULTZ

2013

MAXINE & *DALE SPRINGER

2014-2017

NO INDUCTEES

2018

*RONNIE & VONNIE ROBINSON

2019

ERVIN & NANCY WYATT

2020-2021

NO INDUCTE

2022

NAAMAN MOOREHOUSE

2023

TOM & JOYCE HARTMAN

2024

JIM RUSH

VICKI GRAFFENBERG

2025

DUANE & PATTY RANDOL

JERRY & IDA SHULL

2026

ABBY PALMER & WALT WINNEE

MIKE & STACEY LEE

*Deceased

CWASRDC MEETING

08-23-2026

Grand Junction, CO

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by President Vicki Graffenberg at 10:00 a.m. Vicki led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: roll call of clubs. Clubs represented today include:

Black Canyon Twirlers- Montrose	xx	Dancing Shadows- Grand Junction	xx	Yampa Valley Boots and Bows- Craig	xx	Four Corners Dancers- Cortez	
Chatfield Country Kickers- Grand Junction	xx	Delta Hubwheelers- Delta	xx	San Juan Dancers- Durango	xx		

Those in Attendance: Vicki Graffenberg, Jim Rush, Abby Palmer, Walt Winnie, Lynda Law, Pat McBride, Chuck and Carol Watkins Anthony Risenhover, Art and Lily Hardin, Mike and Stacey Lee.

Those attending by Zoom are: Carrie Dobbs from San Juan Dancers.

Minutes: Minutes from 05-29-2026 Council Mtg. Motion made by Abby, seconded by Carol to accept the minutes as published. Motion carried.

Treasurer: Treasurer report given by Lynda Law. Motion to accept the report made by Pat McBride. Seconded by Chuck Watkins. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Two Sympathy Cards were sent out. One for the passing of Dan Seeley to Eve, his wife, and one to the family of Mike Sikorsky.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Hall Of Fame- Abby Palmer and Walt Winnie, Mike and Stacey Lee were inducted at Peach Promenade on Friday Aug. 21. Paul did a great job of the presentation.

Float: FRA used the float for the wreath laying ceremony on Memorial day.

CWCCA: Next Fifth Saturday, Aug. 29, Montrose. Flyers out. Next 5th Saturday is Oct. 31. Pat noted that we need to have a bang-up Halloween dance. Costumes and all.

CRDA: No formal report

News Editor: Report attached. Due date for next bulletin, TUESDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER 2026.

Peach Promenade: Report given by Jim Rush. We made money. About \$900. These are preliminary figures and will probably change. Registrations were down again this year. More about Peach under new business.

Senior Rep: Report attached.

Jr. Rep.: No Report. Reminder to all clubs to get their special dance information to Pat and Wanda McBride ASAP for the next quarter (Fall)

Web site report: CO will still be managed by Ervin Wyatt; Discussion of Council website by Mike Lee, see New Business.

Golden/Platinum Dancer : Report attached. Judy Chmielewski received a Golden Dancer certificate in July. Elaine Fritz is eligible for a Golden Dancer certificate.

Vicki Graffenberg will email the form to Stacey Lee.

Vice president: No Report.

5th Friday. —Next 5th Friday is 04-30-2027. Fifth Friday in Durango was great.

Old Business:

- **501c3 refiling** - Pat moved to get money for the refiling, it is about \$225. He will let Lynda Law know the exact amount. Abby Palmer seconded. Motion passed.
- Jim started a discussion about Peach Promenade which covered rising costs and decreasing attendance. He was inquiring as he still needs to hire a Caller for Peach Promenade 2028. Discussion as to if Peach is still a viable venture. Several points were discussed to include working with Rocky Mountain Rainbeau Squares and Bear Miller in Denver to

coordinate the date of Peach and any special dance that they have. Suggested that we might want to send a representative to the Denver Council meeting to advertise Peach and encourage their attendance. It was also discussed that we might want to put a clause into our contract that the caller cannot call a dance within a certain distance of Grand Junction and within a week before or after Peach in that same area. Jim will look into all the suggestions. Anthony Risenhover moved and Stacey Lee seconded that we with normal preparations for the 2028 Peach Promenade. Motion Carried.

New Business

- Council approval for hosting a Trail Thru Dance event prior to the 76th NSDC, date to be June 20, 2027. No venue is set yet and the dance time is not set as well. Caller is Adam Christman.
- Nominations for officers. Vicki noted that Lynda is in the process of moving over to the eastern slope so we will need a new treasurer. Vicki asked for volunteers. No one volunteered at this time.
- Council web site. Mike reviewed what is going on with the web site. Report attached. He was given a round of applause for his efforts to bring us into the new age...
- Bulletin editor replacement. Mike Lee has volunteered and Brooke Peters as well. Mike is contemplating taking on the task. Chuck will meet with them moving forward.
- Lily Hardin gave a short presentation on the National Convention. Need volunteers. There is a push to get 500 dancers from Colorado registered.
 - Fund raising idea. Silent auction. Have each council put together a basket for the auction.
 - Also put in guesses on the number of stitches in the quilt.
 - Linus project.
 - CSDLA is doing a welcome dance at 2-4 Wed. night.
 - Charity project is going to start on Wed. Archive room open on Wed. as well. Hotels, 13 available. Embassy suites are sold out.

Next meeting: Nov. 21, 2026 before Turkey tromp. Meeting 5 p.m., pot luck at 6 p.m., dance at 7 p.m.

Announcements: none

Motion to adjourn: Chuck Watkins moved and Lynda Law seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat McBride

COLORADO WEST AREA SQUARE and ROUND DANCE COUNCIL

Editor's Report

23 August 2026

We will be sending out about 140 September bulletins via email after peach.

We are still looking for someone to take over the Editor's job. More on this at the Council meeting.

The deadline for the OCTOBER BULLETIN is
TUESDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER 2026.

Respectively Submitted

Chuck and Carol Watkins
Editors

Senior Rep Report to CWAS&RDC August 23, 2026

The last CSSDA meeting was held on July 25, 2026 via Zoom.

The Ednet presentation was a review of the progress on the 2027 National Convention. A power point presentation is available on the website under the July 25 meeting. Volunteers are needed in many areas and there is a volunteer form attached to this report for those interested.

The treasurers report revealed a current balance of \$21,553.75.

CSDLA issued a letter concerning the new mainstream list (SSD plus 3 calls) and the new plus (8 additional calls from A1). All clubs are encouraged to workshop the new calls in order to be ready to dance on 9/1/26.

Promenading in the Rockies, a booklet for new dancers, is being worked on.

The 2026 festival was a success but Linda was not there to report further.

Ken Tucker reported that there were 30 youth at the festival and they had a great time. He would appreciate any donations to continue to build youth participation.

A financial review committee was appointed to do the review of the 2026 festival.

The next meeting is to be held via zoom on October24, 2026.

After the meeting Ervin gave a report on the new website. The initial contractor was fired after a period of no progress. The new contractor is much better and there is a framework set up. He gave a brief tour. He expects that the new website will be ready to launch within a few months. Below are the links to review the ne website:

<https://ervinwyatt.aitaah.com/>

<https://map.americanstechlabs.com/>

Respectfully Submitted,

Abby Palmer and Walt Winne

Appendix B – Volunteer Interest Flyer – CO Specific

76th National Square Dance Convention® is coming to Colorado: June 20-26, 2027



Embassy Suites - John Q. Hammons Conference Center
4705 Clydesdale Parkway
Loveland, Colorado 80537



The square dance world will be guests in Northern Colorado next summer! The 76th NSDC needs Colorado and the Nationwide Square Dance Community to help make the Convention a great success and promote the activity. Convention events cover a full week of activities in Loveland! Can you help?

(Please Print)

Name _____ Email _____ Phone _____

Return form to 76 NSDC Table, or Contact General Chairmen, Art & Lilly Hardin, gsa@76nsdc.com

Circle Day(s): Sun, 6/20 Mon, 6/21 Tue, 6/22 Wed, 6/23 Thu, 6/24 Fri, 6/25 Sat, 6/26

Circle Shift(s): Mornings Afternoons Evenings

Circle Work Area(s): Registration Fashion Show Hospitality Youth Activities

Information Desk Tours Ceremonies Education Programs Ways & Means

Food Service Flooring Services

Prior to the start of Convention. If you can help indicate when and where. Provide any other information.

Help with promotion dances in Colorado _____

Help your council sponsor a Benefit Dance _____

Decorations _____

Assist with stuffing registration packets Time and location to be determined. You will be contacted to see if you can help _____

(See reverse side for descriptions of work areas)

Note that it takes about 200 volunteers to ensure we have a great convention. Any little bit helps.

Thank You!



Services Used

co.west.dance@gmail.com

2FA unless otherwise indicated

[Wordpress.com](https://wordpress.com) \$66/yr (\$198/3.yr renews May 19, 2029)

MailPoet Plugin - for sending emails

Backuply Plugin - for site backup to Google Drive

Twentig Plugin - for animation on the pages

Pie Calendar Plugin - for calendar control

CPT UI Plugin - for helping with the scheduling

ActivityPub Plugin - for connecting to the Fediverse

[Purelymain.com](https://purelymain.com) \$10/yr no-2FA

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Site Layout - west.dance

- west.dance
 - Calendar
 - Clubs
 - Black Canyon Twirlers
 - Delta Hub Wheelers
 - Chatfield Country Kickers
 - Four Corners Dancers
 - San Juan Dancers
 - Yampa Valley Boots & Bows
 - CO - CWASRDC
 - bulletin
 - hall-of-fame
 - peach-promenade
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 - manage-your-subscription
 - thank-you-for-letting-us-know
 - you-are-now-unsubscribed
 - you-have-subscribed-to-west-dance

- News
- People
 - Elaine O'Neill
 - Mike Lee
- <Posts>
 - in-montrose-july-11-2026
 - peach-promenade-26-is-coming
 - fifth-friday-dance-july-31-26
 - —etc—
- Privacy policy
- co,west,dance -> west.dance/co
- mikelee.dance -> west.dance/people/mike-lee

Fun cards

Add calendar to pages and posts - In process

Get buy off of the council and the clubs

Information will need to be provided by each club on a regular basis

Get a commitment of the leadership in the west area

President's Corner



There was a Council meeting on Sunday, August 23rd. Council is working hard for Western Slope square dancing, and a lot was discussed and decided at this meeting. Please take some time to read the meeting minutes.

Our next Council meeting, potluck *and* CCK's Turkey Tromp are all on Saturday, Nov. 21. Debbie Steinkirchner is calling – she always brings smiles to our faces and lightness to our dance steps.

The meeting is at 5pm, potluck at 6, and dance at 7-9:30pm. Put this on your calendar right now!

Peach Promenade was August 21 & 22. It was a huge success! Dan Nordbye is a really fun and inventive caller. If you missed it, I feel sorry for you. But all is not lost. You can plan now for next year! It will be on August 27 & 28, 2027.

The Colorado State Square Dance Triple Scoot Salute was held June 12 & 13. It was a lot of fun and had over 500 dancers! A photo of the Western Slope Peach promoters and contingent can be found in this Bulletin.

When there is a fifth Friday not followed by a fifth Saturday, that Friday is designated as a Council-sponsored 5th Friday Dance. July 31st was such a day and the San Juan Dancers in Durango hosted the dance. There were 3 squares and Richard Berry, Pat McBride & Mike Lee kept the party going. Rotating the venue amongst the Western Slope clubs is a good way for dancers to meet and dance with different clubs and people they may not dance with otherwise. Here's hoping that future 5th Fridays will be attended by dancers from all corners of the Western Slope!

Don't forget to register for the June 23-26, 2027, National Square Dance Convention dance, hosted by CSSDA (CO State Square Dance Assoc.). It's being held in lovely Loveland, CO! Click the link - <https://76nsdc.com/>.

See you in a square and all over the Western Slope!

Vicki

August 24, 2026



Austin receiving
Square Dance
Lessons

Graduation
Certificate



Judy Chmeilewski
receiving Golden Age
Dancer Certificate



Peach Promenade Reps at Colorado
State Festival

VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

LATE AUGUST DANCE - If you get this in time, there will be a “5th Saturday Dance” on Saturday night, August, 29th, at the Lions Community Building (LCB), 602 N. Nevada Ave., in Montrose. This is being hosted by the Colorado West Callers & Cuers Association. It will be from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Later than planned because there was a schedule conflict. The LCB should be open after 6 p.m. Callers may include Pat McBride, Elaine O’Neill and Mike Lee. \$8 dancer admission. What a great Fall season this will be after a summer that was Hot, Hot, Hot – not just the temperature, but the dancing too!

PEACHY KEEN! The Peach Promenade was another spectacular event enjoyed by hundreds, and we thank everyone who participated as well as those who organized and worked behind the scenes to make sure everything went smoothly over the two-day event! Our main caller, Dan Nordbye, and Cuers Peter & Chama Gomez were excellent and made sure the fun never ended.

We also inducted two couples into the CWASRDC Hall of Fame on the first night – Mike & Stacey Lee from Montrose, and Walt Winne & Abby Palmer from Delta! They are very deserving of their new places among the best leaders our organization has ever developed!

SUMMER FUN! Clubs continued dancing over the summer, and despite busy schedules, we thank everyone who kept the squares moving! Special thanks to Jim and Vicki and everyone who played a part in the Chatfield Country Kickers’ Summer Barbecue and Dance! It was another success!

ANNIVERSARY IN MONTROSE - The Black Canyon Twirlers of Montrose will be celebrating their 67th anniversary with a special night on Saturday, September 12, featuring Special Guest Caller Dan Clairmont. Read more about the plans and info about Dan on the BCT page in today’s Bulletin.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! - Plans are already being made for 2027 Special Events!

-**Spring Fling** will be March 19-21 in Cortez with Debbie Steinkirchner calling, and cuers Randy & Lorraine Pratt. Contact is Duane at 970.560.2137.

-**76th National Square Dance Convention** is June 20-26 in Loveland! Info and registration at 76nsdc.com.

-**58th Peach Promenade** is August 27-28, at Grand Mesa Middle School, Grand Junction. Jet Roberts is the caller, with Mike & Tani McNees as cuers. Info and registration at www.PeachPromenade.org –Paul



FROM THE EDITORS

It has come time for Carol and I to step down as Editors for the News Bulletin. We can no longer dance and feel that it is not right to be the editor when we are not dancers anymore.

Planning ahead for next year, there will be no Colorado State Square Dance Festival nor USA^{west} CONVENTION BECAUSE THE NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION WILL BE HELD HERE IN COLORADO. When the National Convention is in the Western States the USA^{WEST} is not held.

Thanks to Mike and Stacey Lee for stepping forward to volunteer to take over what I feel is an important part of communicating with our dancers.

Carol and I have enjoyed working on the News Bulletin for over 25 years and know that Mike and Stacey will continue the tradition that has hopefully kept our Council Area dancers informed on the happenings around Western Colorado, the Colorado State and Nation of Square Dancing. It has been our privilege to be the Voice of the Colorado West Area Square and Round Dance Council and dancers for the past 25 plus years.

Chuck and Carol Watkins

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Peach Promenade Happy Dancers

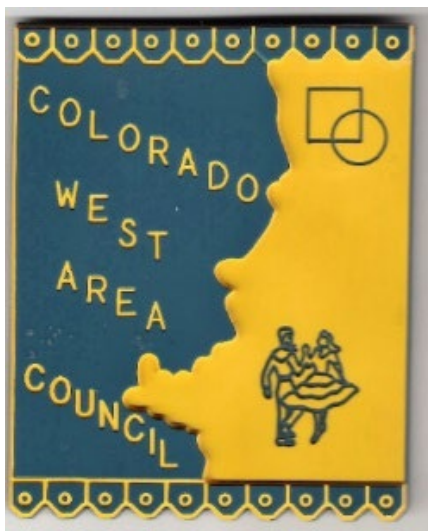
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MEMBER CLUBS AND CONTACT LISTING

DAY			CALLER/CUER
WEEK	CLUB	CONTACT	LEVEL
TUE	DANCING SHADOWS	PAT/ WANDA MCBRIDE	PAT MCBRIDE
	CENTER FOR INDEPENDENCE	3138 F ¾ RD	PH II-IV
	740 GUNNISON AVE.	GRAND JUNCTION, CO 81504	
	GRAND JCT., CO 81501	(970)434-3543	
	pandapw3138@gmail.com		
THU	YAMPA VALLEY BOOTS&BOWS	ALLISON ANTHONY	PAT MC BRIDE
	SENIOR SOCIAL CENTER	970-326-3740	OR ZOOM
	775 YAMPA AVE	CRAIG, CO 81625	MS/PLUS
	CRAIG, CO	(970) 326-3740	
	healthheartandsoul@gmail.com		
FRI	SAN JUAN DANCERS	JUDY NORTON	RICHARD BERRY
B	DURANGO/LAPLATA SR CTR	1420 CR 526	MS/PLUS
	2424 MAIN AVE	BAYFIELD, CO 81122	
	DURANGO, CO	(970) 884-1338	
	jlnorton@fone.net		
	d0307018@sbcglobal.net	CARRIE DOBBS (281) 923-7155	
SAT	CHATFLD CNTRY KICKERS	LYNDA LAW	PAT MC BRIDE
1st	VFW HALL	1185 PRIMROSE LN	MS/PLUS
&	503 ½ FLORENCE RD	FRUITA, CO	Rounds II-IV
3rd	GRAND JUNCTION, CO	(303) 619-5237	
B	lslaw52@gmail.com		

SAT	DELTA HUBWHEELERS	PAUL ASH	VARIOUS CALLERS
1st	1 st BAPTIST CHURCH GYM	857 PALMER ST	SSD/MS
&	1250 PIONEER RD.	DELTA, CO 81416-1745	
3 rd	DELTA, CO	(970) 773-4495	
B	deltawriter47@gmail.com		
SAT	FOUR CORNERS DANCERS	DUANE/PATTY RANDOL	RICHARD BERRY
1st	MONTEZUMA CTY SENIOR CTR	902 MAY LANE	MS/PLUS
&	117 N. CHESTNUT ST	CORTEZ, CO 81321	
3 rd	CORTEZ, CO	(970) 560-4709	
SAT	BLACK CANYON TWIRLERS	MIKE/STACEY LEE	VARIUS CALLERS
2nd	LIONS Community Bldg	226 CASTLE AVE.	SSD/MS
&	7th & N. NEVADA AVE	MONTROSE, CO 81401	
4th	MONTROSE, CO 81401	(970) 312-9335	
B	sjlee@mklee.com		

B indicates clubs participating in Banner Stealing



5th Saturday Dance August 29th



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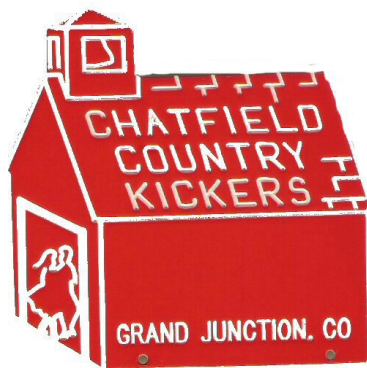
Pat McBride, Elaine O'Neill and Mike Lee

Join us at the Lions Park Clubhouse in
Montrose at 7PM to 9PM.

Lions Park Clubhouse

602 N. Nevada Ave at N. 7th Street, Montrose, CO.

Donation: \$8 per dancer



CHATFIELD COUNTRY KICKERS.....MS/PLUS
 1ST & 3RD SATURDAYS.....7:00 PLUS..... 8:00 MS
 VFW POST 3981 503 ½ FLORENCE RD.GRAND JCT.
 CALLER/CUER.....PAT MCBRIDE
 CONTACT.....LYNDA LAW.....303-619-5237

Welcome back to the monthly bulletin!

We have had a HOT summer but we still keep dancing!!! Cooler days (and nights) are on the horizon, so put on your dancing shoes and get them feet moving!!!

CCK LOCAL DANCES- All dances called and cued by Pat McBride unless specified.
 Finger foods accepted and appreciated.

September 5 Proclamation Day Dance
 September 19 Regular Dance
 October 3 Crazy Hat Dance
 October 17 Regular Dance
 November 7 Regular Dance
 November 21 Turkey Tromp (See Flyer) Debbie Steinkirchner
 December 5 REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR
 December 19 CHRISTMAS DINNER DANCE.

Special dances coming up!

CCK special dance is the Turkey Tromp on NOV 21 featuring Debbie Steinkirchner!!! She is enthusiastically making an encore performance at the CENTER FOR INDEPENDENCE (aka Gunnison Center,LLC)!!! Please welcome her back by attending this dance (which includes the CWAS&RDC meeting at 5pm, potluck at 6pm, and 7pm dance.) See FLYER!

Christmas Dinner Dance is held at the VFW.

We sure have a lot of fun! Share your experience of square/round dancing, through the years, fun, and adventure, with others. You never know when you might meet someone who might want to learn or reunite again with the square/round dance world! INVITE them!!!

Lynda Law
 CCK Club President
 303 619 5237 (pls leave message if needed)
lslaw52@gmail.com





DELTA HUB WHEELERS.....Plus/SSD
1st & 3rd Sat6:00 PM
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.....DELTA
ContactPAUL ASH.....970-773-4495
CALLER.....VARIOUS CALLERS

We're Back! It's Cooler! We've had some Rain! Everything is Looking Up!!
 We had a Great Summer of Fun, but First, here's what's happening in September!

LABOR DAY WEEKEND DANCE! If you're not camping, come join us in some "labor" on the floor, on Saturday, September 5, 2026, on our Home Floor, at the Delta First Baptist Church (DFBC), 1250 Pioneer Rd., Delta. From 6 to 8:30 p.m., Elaine O'Neill and Mike Lee will be our Callers! Dancer admission is just \$8 still, and we will start asking for your 2027 dues, so we hope you will have a few extra dollars to invest in your continued Hubwheelers membership!! Yay!

ANNUAL MEETING, POTLUCK, AND DANCE! This incredible yearly happening will take place on Saturday, September 19th! We will begin with, of course, THE FOOD! Bring your items to the DFBC by 4:30 p.m. and the Feasting will begin soon after! Nothing will be provided by the club. Attendees can choose to bring a main dish, side, salad, dessert, or more than one. The Business Meeting is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. I have Good News, and Bad News about the meeting! The Good News is I expect it to be pretty short, as we have no controversies that I know of. The Bad News is this – if you are NOT there, expect a phone call or text that YOU have been ELECTED to a position anyway – like president, vice president, secretary or treasurer! So, protect your sanity and be there! When the meeting ends, we will be dancing from 6 to 8:30 p.m. with Elaine O'Neill, who is coming into her own as a Caller! She has shown great improvement in recent months!!

SUMMER RECAP! It was a crazy summer as we were away from our Home Floor for almost two months because of bookings and a July 4 cancellation. Thank you, officials with the Delta County School District, who arranged for us to use the cafeteria at Garnet Mesa Elementary School for two of our summer dances. We got back to the DFBC on Colorado's 150th Birthday, August 1st, and we danced and celebrated to the state we love! Many of us went to the Peach Promenade a few days ago and had a great time. Thanks also to Jim Rush and Vicki Graffenberg for their Hospitality with the Chatfield Country Kickers' Annual Barbecue and Dance on July 18, which many Hubwheelers attended.

BEGINNER CLASS - After a strong Spring, students in the class got busy with the start of summer. We stopped the class, and hope to have a re-start soon, in September or October.

Enjoy the Beautiful Colors of Fall!
 Yellow Rocks!
 -Paul



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 Stacey & Mike Lee
 Walt Winne & Abby Palmer



DANCING SHADOWS.....PH II & III

PH II & III.....7:00-9:00pm

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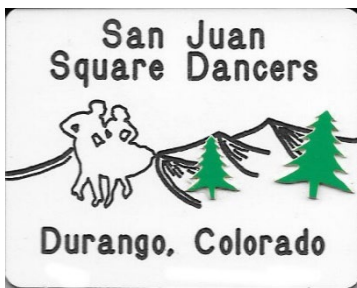
CUER.....PAT & WANDA MCBRIDE

CONTACT.....PAT/WANDA MCBRIDE..... 970-434-3543

If you want to get in on the two-step class, we are about halfway through. You might Call Pat and Wanda just to make sure that they will be dancing when you want to go.

Wishing you all a lot of dancing.

Pat and Wanda



SAN JUAN SQUARE DANCERS.....MS/PLUS

FRIDAYS.....MS WS 6:00.....Dance.....7:00 PM

DURANGO/LA PLATA SR.CTR..... DURANGO

CONTACTJUDY NORTON.....(970) 884-1338

..... CARRIE DOBBS.....(281) 923-7155

CALLER.....RICHARD BERRY

Hello From Durango,

Summer is flying by and I am happy to say we have enjoyed some terrific dancing in Durango. Although many of our dancers have been traveling or recovering from illness, we have still been able to make two squares for most dances. Our caller, Richard Berry, has spent considerable time taking us through all the new mainstream and plus moves, so hopefully by September we will be good to go!

On July 31st, the Durango Club hosted the Council's *Fifth Friday Dance*. We had three squares of dancers and everyone had a nice time. Apparently, we were enjoying ourselves so much, no one remembered to take pictures! In any case, we want to thank all the callers and cuers that participated and made the night a success!

As we move into Fall, the Durango club will be dancing every Friday night up until the week of Thanksgiving. If you are in the area, please drop in and dance with us!



BLACK CANYON TWIRLERS.....PLUS/SSD/MS
 2ND & 4TH SAT6:00PM
 LIONS CLUBHOUSE 7TH & N. NEVADA, MONTROSE
 CALLERS.....MIKE LEE
 ELAINE O'NEIL
 CONTACT...MIKE/STACEY LEE.....970 312-9335

Thank you, Everyone, who participated in our dances, and helped make the Summer of America's 250th Birthday so great that it will be remembered by dancers for years to come!

LATE AUGUST DANCE - If you get this in time, there will be a "5th Saturday Dance" on Saturday night, August, 29th, at the Lions Community Building (LCB), 602 N. Nevada Ave., in Montrose. This is being hosted by the Colorado West Callers & Cuers Association. It will be from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Later than planned because there was a schedule conflict. The LCB should be open after 6 p.m.

OUR ANNUAL ANNIVERSARY DANCE! We're starting the Fall Season in a BIG WAY, with our 67th Anniversary Dance on Saturday night, September 12th, on our Home Floor at the LCB! We are proud to present **SPECIAL GUEST CALLER DAN CLAIMONT** for this evening event, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Dancer admission will be \$10 for this night (slightly higher because of a special caller). Wear our BCT Club Colors of Black and White! Come and enjoy some Anniversary Cake, and a wide range of treats which will be supplied by the BCT club and the many dancers who enjoy bringing something to share!! Look for more info about Dan Clairmont at the end of this story.

SEPTEMBER 26: Come enjoy the stylings of Mike Lee at this dance. Mike and his wife, Stacey, who is our BCT President, were inducted into the Hall of Fame for the Colorado West Area Square & Round Dance Council at last month's Peach Promenade! On this night, Mike will be calling the moves for dancers from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the LCB. Fee will be back to \$8. We will probably start asking you for 2027 Dues, so you can continue to be proud as a Black Canyon Twirler!

DAN CLAIMONT

I began square dancing in 1987 with my wife, Gail, in California. After many years of dancing and being officers in the club, I started to help the beginners class. I got hooked, and the bug of becoming a caller became quite clear. In 2009 I took my first caller class. My first professional dance came in 2010 in Huntington Beach, CA with 14 squares of supportive friends. I have called now at 14 National Square Dance Conventions, and will be in Loveland, Colo. in June 2027. I call all over the world from Mainstream, Plus and through A2. I will call wherever I can get an opportunity. I have instructed Square Dancing to hundreds of party nights and private parties all over.

I love to teach Square Dancing to new beginners and have graduated 28 beginners' classes and love teaching new dancers how great square dancing is. I call over 100 dances a year. For more, visit my website at "Dan Clairmont Square Dance Caller".

-Paul



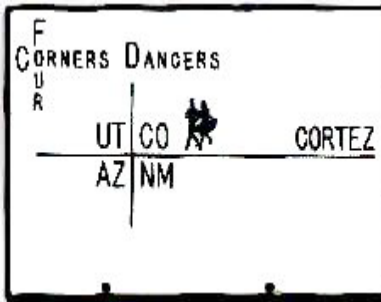


YAMPA VALLEY BOOTS & BOWS.....MS/PLUS
EVERY THURSDAY.....7:00 PM
SENIOR SOCIAL CENTER 775 Yampa Ave.....CRAIG,CO
CALLER.....PAT MCBRIDE OR ZOOM

We dance by zoom and once a month live with our caller, Pat McBride.
 We sure appreciate all that he and Wanda do for us!

Allison Anthony

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FOUR CORNERS DANCERS.....MS/PLUS
1st & 3rd SATURDAY.....6:30 PLUS7:30 MS
MONTEZUMA COUNTY SENIOR CENTER.....CORTEZ
CALLER.....RICHARD BERRY
CUERS.....RANDY & LORRAINE
CONTACT..DUANE/PATTY RANDOL.....(970)560-4709

We hope all of you have a glorious summer. We will be dancing as usual the first and third Saturdays of the month. We certainly hope if you are traveling in the area on a dance day you will come dance with us.

We may be dark a couple of Saturdays depending on who and how many are out of town, so you should give us a call to make sure we are dancing that evening.

See you all at Peach Promenade in August.

Patty Randol



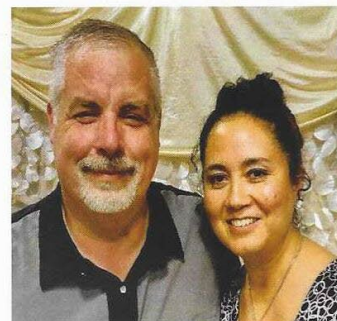
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Mike & Tani McNees
Logan, UT

Questions? Call 970-245-5624 or email
PeachPromenadeGJ@gmail.com

Friday - Mainstream with Plus Tips

7:15 – 7:45 p.m. Pre-Rounds

8:00 – 10:00 p.m. – Jet Roberts & Colorado West
Area Callers

Pre-Registration Requested By:
August 20, 2027

On-line Pre-Registrations will Close on
August 23, 2027

Pre-register to enter drawing for free admission.

Saturday

9:00 a.m. Phase III & IV Workshop – McNees

Mainstream Workshop – Mike Lee

10:15 - 11:30 a.m. Phase II Workshop – McNees

Plus Workshop – Pat McBride

1:00 - 2:30 p.m. Mainstream Dance – Jet Roberts

2:30 - 4:00 p.m. Plus Dance – Jet Roberts

6:30 p.m. Pre-Rounds – Mike & Tani McNees

7:15 p.m. Grand March

7:30 – 10:00 p.m. Jet - Mainstream with Plus Tips

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@ \$35.00 _____

Saturday Evening Dance Only.....(Number) _____

@ \$23.00 _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____



*Orange Blossom Square
Dance Club
40th Anniversary Dance
1986 to 2026*

October 18, 2026

6:30–9:30 pm

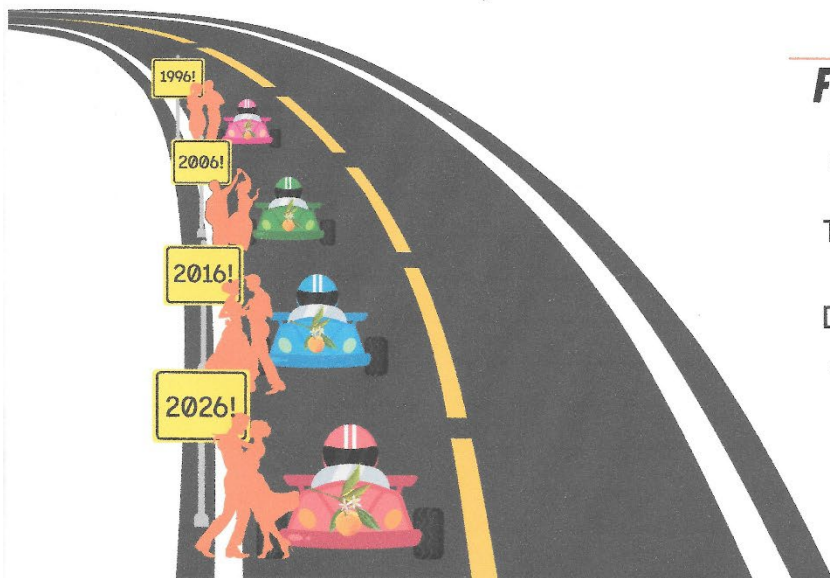
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Name _____ Email _____ Phone _____

Return form to **76 NSDC Table**, or Contact General Chairmen, Art & Lilly Hardin, gc@76nsdc.com

Circle Day(s): Sun, 6/20 Mon, 6/21 Tue, 6/22 **Wed, 6/23** Thu, 6/24 Fri, 6/25 Sat, 6/26

Circle Shift(s): Mornings Afternoons Evenings

Circle Work Area(s): Registration Fashion Show Hospitality Youth Activities

Information Desk Tours Ceremonies Education Programs Ways & Means

Food Service Flooring Services

Prior to the start of Convention. If you can help indicate when and where. Provide any other information.

Help with promotion dances in Colorado _____

Help your council sponsor a Benefit Dance _____

Decorations _____

Assist with stuffing registration packets Time and location to be determined. You will be contacted to see if you can help. _____

(See reverse side for descriptions of work areas)

Note that it takes about 200 volunteers to ensure we have a great convention. Any little bit helps.

Thank You!



Description of Work Areas for Volunteers:

Registration:	Distribute registration packets, assist with walk-in registrations, answer questions, data entry, name badge and ribbon adjustments, help research registration issues for dancers
Fashion Show:	Usher/seat attendees, monitor dressing area(s), model, escort, decorations
Hospitality:	Monitor hospitality rooms, replenish snacks, take tickets and assist with seating at Wednesday night special event
Youth Activities:	Lifeguard during pool dance, help with youth activities
Information Desk:	Answer questions, lost and found, distribute daily schedules, share hospitality basket for dancer needs
Tours:	Staff tour desk, answer questions, distribute tour information, sell tour tickets, data entry, assist with bus loading/unloading, serve as Bus Host (free tour)
Ceremonies:	Assist with set up, assist with seating, meet and escort Color Guard or City Officials, line up Parade of States, direct traffic for Parade of States in ballroom, collect Parade of States signs
Education:	Room hosts, education check-in desk, host NEC Archives Room, assist with Sew & Save
Programs:	MC for clinics and workshops (introduce dance leader and count attendees), dancer counts for dance halls, help exhibition Teams
Ways & Means:	Sell merchandise and answer questions, cash/credit card handling, sell extra meal tickets, sell extra program books, syllabus, magnets, etc.
Food Service:	Collect meal tickets, keep lines orderly, answer questions
Assist with flooring:	The CSSDA plastic floor needs to be installed, then moved, four different times, Wednesday morning before USDA meeting, Wednesday afternoon after USDA Meeting, Thursday night after dancing, Friday morning after the keynote speech.
Services:	Dispatch (coordinators between hotel and problem), decorations, help with Veterans and First Responder Display

No Caller. No Dance. It's That Simple.

Every Great Dance Begins with a Caller. Without Callers, the Music Stops. Our Future Depends on the Next Caller. Who Will Be Holding the Microphone tomorrow?

Nobody needs to tell a square or round dancer how important a great caller or cuer is—but too often we don't think about developing the next one until we're facing a retirement, illness, or a club without anyone to call. As International Caller Patty Greene joked, clubs usually start talking about caller recruitment "when their caller gets sick... or starts talking about moving or retiring. "Patty believes recruiting new callers isn't just important—it's essential. "It's fine to have a hundred thousand dancers, but if there's nobody around to call to them, you're losing half of the experience of the whole square dance thing." The good news? You don't have to wait for someone to volunteer. Patty suggests clubs create an annual Amateur Caller Night where anyone can give calling a try—no experience required. She has seen nervous first-timers discover passion they never knew they had. One participant was "shaken like a leaf" before taking the microphone. Afterwards? "My gosh, that was so much fun. I want to do it again!" Her advice is simple: treat it like a party. Friends come to cheer each other on, experienced callers provide cue sheets and encouragement, and nobody expects perfection. "You don't know who's going to get the bug," Patty says—and that's exactly the point.

Patty also wants to bust one of the biggest myths about calling: you don't have to be a great singer. Song choice, microphone technique, and finding the right key matter far more than having a Broadway voice. As she reminds us, "It's all about song choice."

Most of all, Patty believes callers aren't just entertainers—they're builders of community. Her personal goal is beautifully simple: "If you leave feeling better about yourself... then I've done my job." Perhaps her most memorable line captures both her humor and her heart: "All God's chillin' got a place in the choir." That's how she approaches caller development. Some people will become outstanding regional callers and more. The sky's the limit! Others may simply become excellent teachers or club callers.

We desperately need our local callers! Every one of them has something valuable to contribute.

If your club wants a future, don't wait for a crisis. Host an Amateur Caller Night. Offer scholarships to caller schools. Encourage the people who are curious. You may discover the person who will be inspiring dancers—and keeping your club thriving—for decades to come.

Our full podcast interview with Patty Greene will air this fall.

Navigating Change Keeping the Tradition, Changing the Expectations Square and round dancing have wonderful traditions worth preserving: friendship, community, music, movement, and the joy of dancing together. But preserving what we love does not mean every expectation or practice must remain unchanged.

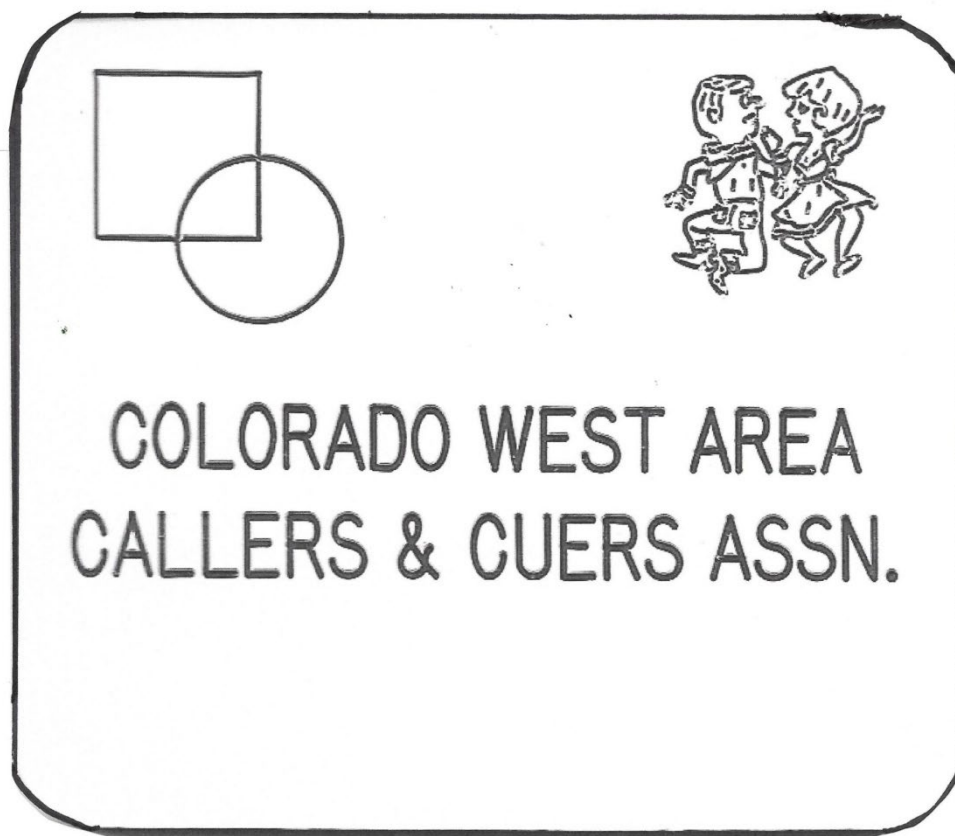
Today's new dancers often arrive with different schedules, priorities, learning styles, backgrounds, and expectations than dancers of previous generations. They may not attend every week, commit to months of lessons, immediately buy traditional clothing, volunteer for a committee, or make dancing the center of their social lives. We should be careful not to judge their commitment, character, or enthusiasm based on expectations that developed in a different time. When we expect newcomers to adapt completely to the way

we have always done things—or assume that our way is the only right way—we may unintentionally push away the very people we hope will become part of our community. Being welcoming means more than greeting someone at the door. It means being curious about different perspectives, listening without judgment, and being willing to consider new ways of thinking and doing things.

Growing clubs are willing to ask a different question: How can we preserve the heart of square and round dancing while becoming more flexible in how people experience it?

That might mean offering shorter learning opportunities, welcoming casual participation, adapting teaching methods, reducing pressure to conform, experimenting with music or events, and giving people time to become part of the community in their own way. It also means recognizing that someone can love dancing without participating exactly as we do.

These changes do not diminish our traditions. They make those traditions more accessible to the people we hope will carry them forward. The future of dancing does not require choosing between tradition and change. It requires knowing what is essential to preserve, what we can be flexible enough to rethink, and when we need to make room for ideas that are different from our own.



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13	14 MONDAY NITERS TBD	15 DANCING SHADOWS 7-9 PM	16	17 YVB&B	18 SJSD 6:00	19 CCK 7:00 PM DHW6:00 FCD 6:30 PM
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