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SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE MONTH

Congratulations to Joanna Lieuallen (Hunterdon Flutterwheels) 2025 Cover Contest Winner

KITTATINNY RANGERS

LAKELAND SQUARES

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NNJSDA PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

This is a message for all square dance recruiters. Actually, this is for each of you and for every club that offers square dance lessons. So, why does this involve all of you?

Every club member is a potential recruiter for our lessons. Yes, your club





probably offers "beginner dances" or "hoedowns," or has the first class free to show people what square dancing is like. But there is a lot that you can also do!

Talk! You can tell family, friends, church, and organization members why square dancing is fun. Check out the CALLERLAB videos on callerlab.org/marketing and share the links that you think might help get your point across.

Flyers! Ask your club for recruitment flyers (examples are also found at CALLERLAB) so that you can have them available at grocery stores, libraries, hairdressers, doctors' offices, senior centers, high schools, city hall bulletin boards - even ask your local pizza place to put one in each of their boxes! Put them anywhere people can see them.

Square dance shirts! Wear them in public and when people ask about the shirt, tell them about classes. Mention that square dancing is actually just walking in time with the music - no fancy steps required, they don't need a partner, we dance to all kinds of music, and they can wear what they have on right now.

You should make it a point to angel for anyone you recruit. If they cannot take classes on your club's night, tell them about classes offered by other clubs. After they graduate, you can always get them back into your club. And please angel at your classes!

Finally, the NNJSDA community is saddened that the final Y Squares dance is on September 11. The club has been an active member of the NNJSDA for more than 60 years, and it has always been fun to dance there. We wish the best to all Y Squares members and look forward to seeing you dancing at other events.

~ Richard Ball and Chris Wadel

Have you ordered your Mini-Festival ribbon?

(See ad on page 6.)

2025-26 EVENTS | NNJSDA

A = Advanced, C = Challenge, MS = Mainstream, PL = Plus, RD = Rounds

October 11, 2025 (Saturday)

7:30-10:30 PM

Bridgewater

Jenn Engimann (PA)/Mary Pickett (NJ)

MS/PL/RD (early RD)

Set Up: Rutgers Promenaders

Clean Up: Middletown Ramblers

March 14, 2026 (Saturday)

3:30-6:00 PM

Bridgewater

Doren McBroom (MD)/

Tom Denniston, Ellen McCabe (PA)

MS/PL/RD (Early RD)
Set Up: Circle Eights

Clean Up: Reelers

November 9, 2025 (Sunday)*
49th Mini-Festival

1:00-6:30 PM

Randolph (tentative)

Tony Oxendine (NC), Jim Emory (NY),

Mark Franks (NJ)/Mary Pickett (NJ)

MS/PL/A/C1/RD

April 26, 2026 (Sunday)

3:30-6:00 PM

Bridgewater

Sandy Corey (NY)/Steve Bradt (PA)

MS/PL/RD (Early MS)

Set Up: Kittatinny Rangers

Clean Up: Lakeland Squares

January 25, 2026 (Sunday)

3:30-6:00 PM

Bridgewater Class Instructors

Class-level Mainstream

Set Up: TBA

Clean Up: Hunterdon Flutterwheels

May 16, 2026 (Saturday)

7:00-10:00 PM

Bridgewater

Howard Williamson (PA)/

Mary Pickett (NJ)

MS/PL/RD (Early RD)

Set Up: Middletown Ramblers

Clean Up: Bee Sharps

Bridgewater: PeopleCare Center, 120 Finderne Avenue, Bridgewater, NJ **Randolph:** Randolph High School, 511 Millbrook Avenue, Randolph, NJ

*Final qualifying dance for Freeloader Award (see page 11 for details)

Other Noteworthy Dates

September 14 – Delegates meeting (virtual)

December 14 – Executive board meeting (virtual)

January 25 – Delegates meeting (Bridgewater)

April 26 – Delegates meeting (Bridgewater)

May 16 – Presidents reception (Bridgewater)

NNJSDA EXECUTIVE BOARD | 2025-26

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Are you interested in being on the NNJSDA Board? An assistant treasurer position is open. Please contact Richard or Chris for more information.

ONLINE STUDY RESOURCES		
All dancers, whether new or experienced, can find something useful on these websites.		
Ceder Chest ceder.net		
Dehn Base dehnbase.org/sd/tutorial/#gdp		
How to Square Dance videosquaredancelessons.com		
Open Squares opensquares.de/basic-uebersicht-teil-1		
Taminations	tamtwirlers.org/taminations	



49th ANNUAL MINION CONTROL OF THE STATE OF T

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2025 1:00-6:30 PM

Randolph High School, Randolph, NJ (tentative location)



Tony OXENDINE (NC)



Jim EMORY (NY)



Mark FRANKS (NJ)



PICKETT
(NJ)

Mainstream, Plus, Advanced, Challenge 1, Rounds Specials: All Singers Mainstream, DBD and Intro to A, more to come

"ONE SQUARE IS FAIR" EVENT FOR NNJSDA MEMBER CLUBS

Info: Chris 201-835-7726 minifestival.info@nnjsda.org

Soft, non-scuffing shoes ONLY - No boots, please

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No refunds after 1	1/7/25 – Thank yo	u.	Total	\$
For latest	updates and dire	ctions: nnjsda.c	org/mini_fe	st_info

CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES!

Give a big welcome and Yellow Rocks to our newest graduates, and make sure to dance with them and share your experience.

MAINSTREAM

Bee Sharps: Anna Allen, Laurel Dobalo, Terry Woltman

Kittatinny Rangers: Zita Kurtzman, Frederique Poulet, Thomas Sidoti

PLUS

Belles & Beaux: Christy Cleary, Kim Ferrentino, Rich Ferrentino,

Rosann Flynn, Diana Garcia, Diane Gaydos, Gloria Hubeman, Anne Pace, Ed Proskey, Vicky Proskey, Mary Scanlon, Susan Shlanger, Kathy

Smolen, Bea Sparber, Rina Williams

Hunterdon Marie Honachefsky, Frank Laritz, Paula Lawrence, **Flutterwheels:** Jeanne Mauriello. Tiiu Monnone. April Neckorcuk.

Jeanne Mauriello, Tiiu Monnone, April Neckorcuk, Cathy Pecka, Bette Perlman, Diana Reinhardt,

Gene Reinhardt

EMERGENCY CALL FOR MEDICAL AID

- 1. When a dancer goes down during a tip, a second dancer attends to him/her.
- 2. The remaining couples join hands and take a step backward. This provides the injured person and the attendant with air and space.
- 3. Raise joined hands as high as possible in the form of an arched circle.
- 4. On seeing this signal, the caller immediately asks for medical assistance. Club officers should know the location of the AED

(Automated External Defibrillator).

- If 911 help is required, a club member calls (providing the exact address) and waits outside the building to direct responders into the hall.
- 6. In general, the caller and remaining squares continue dancing while aid is administered.

Annual Plus Weekend



with Jenn Engimann and Dane Bragg

Oct. 3-5, 2025

Dancing starts at 8 PM Friday 5 dance sessions





\$55 Per-person dance fee

Located on a picturesque wooded lakeside site in the Pocono Mountains of Pennsylvania



- Lodging w/private baths ~ common kitchens
- Plus dancing and workshops . Tent camping and RV sites available
- Square Dance attire optional . Onsite Country Kitchen open for meals



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Chevry Ridge Campsites & Lodgings

47 Camp Road, Honesdale, PA 18431 ~ 570-488-6654







cherryridgecampsites.com



CALLER'S WORKSHOP WITH

TONY OXENDINE

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 8, 2025

PeopleCare Center 120 Finderne Ave., Bridgewater, NJ 08807 Morning Session: 10:00 AM-1:00 PM Afternoon Session: 2:00 PM-5:00 PM

\$25 per session **CCNJ** members \$5 discount per session

Dancers Wanted Please RSVP

For more information contact: President Katie Wilson 609-713-9419 mrskwilson411@aol.com





FAREWELL TO OUR FRIENDS

Square dancing is "friendship set to music." We have shared wonderful friendships with many dancers and acknowledge current and former NNJSDA club members who have passed away.

John Bridenbaugh – March 20, 2025 Kittatinny Rangers Bill Majcher – June 26, 2025 Kittatinny Rangers and Hunterdon Flutterwheels

John Erdek – August 19, 2025 Rutgers Promenaders **Jane Ross** – August 28, 2025 Bee Sharps and Lakeland Squares

Alice Lambert – April 17, 2025 Y Squares **John Sheppard** – May 4, 2025 Kittatinny Rangers

Terry Smith — May 30, 2025 Times Squares



Thanks for the memories.



Information may be submitted to articles@nnjsda.org

I imagine you dancing
Skipping among the clouds
Happily singing with the angels
Looking down upon the crowds.
- Tanya Lord

ADS/ARTICLES GUIDELINES

Submissions are encouraged about events and activities relevant to the square dance community. If you have an idea for a topic or would like to write an article, please send an email to editor@nnjsda.org.

Next Issue Submissions Due March 7, 2026

ADS: Email your ads to ads@nnjsda.org in any	Ad Size	H x W	Rate
editable format, such as MS Word, and include your club's name in the subject line. Make checks	Full page	7.5" x 5"	\$55
payable to NNJSDA.	Half page	3.75" x 5"	\$30
ARTICLES: Email articles to articles@nnjsda.org; publication subject to available space and	Quarter page	1.75" x 5"	\$15
editorial constraints. Photographs welcome.	Eighth page	1" x 5"	\$10



Square Dancer? Camper?



The Garden State Square Dance Campers Association is looking for YOU!

We have a MS/PL campout in Pennsylvania every month, May to October. Join us! gssdca.wixsite.com/gssdca

*Appalachian Campground in Shartlesville – See website for registration forms.

Don't camp? At Appalachian, rent a cabin (deluxe or rustic) or stay at a nearby motel!

September 5-7, 2025 Bob Engel We are joining Square Up Campers. Shady Oaks Campground, 40 Round Barn Road, Newmanstown, PA 17073 To register, call Kathy Engel at 717-532-5654.

October 3-5, 2025 Dane Bragg and Jenn Engimann

Cherry Ridge Campsites, 147 Camp Road, Honesdale, PA 18432 To register, call campground directly at 510-488-6654.

2026 (Not finalized yet! Check out the website closer to the campout.)

June 12-14, 2026* Dave Black July 17-19, 2026* **Bob Engel**

August 14-16, 2026* Mark Franks



Peel the Pumpkin 2025

SCARE THRU







Saturday, October 25, 2025 10:00 AM-6:00 PM

PS 3, 490 Hudson Street, New York, NY

Mainstream - Challenge 2 Halloween Costume contest Full day \$50 thru Sept. 30 | \$60 after | Lunch included Or Half day \$30 at door (Morning or Afternoon)

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NNJSDA INCENTIVE PROGRAMS

nnjsda.org/nnjsda_documents.php

FOR DANCERS

Freeloader Awards of a dangle and a coupon for a free NNJSDA dance are earned by attending at least three qualifying summer NNJSDA dances and the Mini-Festival in the same year. Bring your signed Freeloader form to the Mini-Festival registration desk. Have the treasurer sign it and then present it to the corresponding secretary.

Patron Awards of a dangle and a coupon for a free NNJSDA dance were earned by the following dancers for having attended at least eight different NNJSDA member club dances:

Tina Ammerman: #2 Larry Bugal: #47, #48, #49 Ken Kuter: #2 Donald Lane: #2 Joanna Lieuallen: #2, #3 Bonnie Jean Mac Yash: #3 Ann Rothfuss: #17 Ellen Ward: #28

FOR CLUBS

The programs below cover a dance year from June 1 through the following May 31.

One Square Is Fair benefits your club with a dues reduction when eight club members (one square) attend at least five of the scheduled NNJSDA dances. Officially registered students may be counted at the Midterm Student Dance.

Bee Sharps Belles & Beaux Hunterdon Flutterwheels Reelers Rutgers Promenaders

Raids benefit your club with a dues reduction when at least eight club members (one square) attend other member clubs' eligible dances. The program is based on reaching at least 200 miles between clubs.

Bee Sharps Belles & Beaux Circle Eights Hunterdon Flutterwheels



Download the Freeloader, Patron, One Square Is Fair, and Raid program forms at *nnjsda.org* (see Documents tab). Forms are verified and signed by an officer (usually treasurer or president) at the dances attended and forwarded to the NNJSDA corresponding secretary upon completion.

BEE SHARPS OF SOMERVILLE



- Friday Dances (dates and formats below)
- Early Rounds 7:30
- Square Dancing and Rounds 8:00-10:15 (except for Dec. 27, 2025)
- Advanced tip 10:15, if dancers are present and caller agrees.

September 2025-June 2026 PeopleCare Center

120 Finderne Avenue, Bridgewater, NJ QUESTIONS: CALL DAVE @ 908-500-6111 Website/Facebook: beesharps.org /@BeeSharps

Date	Caller	Cuer	Format	Dance Theme
Sept. 12	Mark Franks	Mary Pickett	MS/PL/RD	Welcome Back Dance
Sept. 26	Betsy Gotta	Roy Gotta	MS/RD	Music of the '50s and '60s
Oct. 10	Jim Emory	Steve Bradt	MS/PL/RD	Oktoberfest
Oct. 24	Howard Richman	Mary Pickett	MS/PL/RD	Costume Party
Nov. 14	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore	Steve Bradt	MS/PL/RD	It's a Hoedown!
Nov. 28	Нарру	Thanksgiving	©	* NO DANCE *
Dec. 12	Howard Richman	Steve Bradt	MS/PL/RD	Ugly Holiday Sweater Contest
Dec. 27	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore	NO Rounds	Class-Level & MS with 1 Plus Tip	High-Low MS Dance 2 to 5 PM
2026				
Jan. 9	Betsy Gotta	Roy Gotta	MS/PL/RD	Pajama Night
Jan. 23	Doug Kauffman	Mary Pickett	MS/PL/RD	Crazy Hats
Feb. 13	Mark Franks	Mary Pickett	Early A2/PL/RD	Mardi Gras
Feb. 27	Dan Koft	Kathy Koft	MS/PL/RD	Wear RED for National Heart Month
March 13	Howard Richman	Steve Bradt	MS/PL/RD	Broadway Musicals
March 27	Jenn Engimann	Mary Pickett	MS/PL/RD	Cartoon Night
April 10	Dane Bragg	Steve Bradt	MS/PL/RD	Glitz and Glamour Night
April 24	Betsy Gotta	Roy Gotta	MS/PL/RD	Take Me Out to the Ball Game
May 8	Howard Richman	Steve Bradt	MS/PL/RD	Ocho de Mayo
May 22	Paul & Stephen Ingis	NO Rounds	All MS with 1 Plus Tip	Ice Cream Social
June 12	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore	Russ Booz	MS/PL/RD	Hawaiian Luau and Graduation

BEE SHARPS – Bridgewater

beesharps.org Cell for dance: 908-500-6111

2, 4 Fri. Sept.-June

Vic Ammons: 908-763-4593

PeopleCare Center 120 Finderne Avenue

Our 2025 graduates (below) have been active since completing class in the spring. Many attended their first "real" dances as well as our summer workshops, led by spirited and talented callers to give new dancers experience with different voices and styles: Ed Crowley, Paul Ingis, Mary Moody, Greg Moore, Karin Rabe,



Howard Richman, and Katie Wilson. A big thank you to all our club angels and to Joanna Lieuallen and Ruth and Harry Mazujian from Hunterdon Flutterwheels.

To Wes Thielke, our outstanding instructor since 2009, we wish a most happy upcoming Mainstream class at Wednesdays), assisted by new

retirement. Karin and Greg will teach our upcoming Mainstream class at Adamsville School on Thursdays (a move from Wednesdays), assisted by new class coordinators Heidi Garcia and Lauren Haas.

Since our club usually includes round dancing, we were often asked, "Where can I learn?" I teamed up with Paula Lawrence from Hunterdon Flutterwheels to identify about 20 interested dancers, locate a hall, and secure Roy Gotta to start a new beginner class on Monday nights in Bridgewater. They are darn good dancers who quickly learned rumba and cha, and plan to continue in the fall.

Heidi Garcia, Sonny Steven, Dave Tien, Vic, and I enjoyed an afternoon supporting fellow dancer Jim Barnish (blue shirt on right) in a gripping production

of The Shawshank Redemption; a few months later, dancers from Bee Sharps, Hunterdon Flutterwheels, and Y Squares saw Jim in Our Town.



Our intrepid

class coordinators this past year, Rana and Ron Slosberg, enjoyed a trip through Croatia, Bosnia, Montenegro, Slovenia, and Venice. Holly and Bill Smythe visited Maria Light, a former member, in North Carolina. Vic helped his church's mission team with construction and electrical work on a school in Lisbon, Portugal. We look forward to welcoming you all to Bee Sharps.

[~] Nancy Ammons

Belles & Beaux

1st and 3rd Wednesdays
Dance 7:15-9:30 PM, Mainstream with a Plus Tip

Maywood Recreation Center

340 Duvier Place, Maywood, NJ 07607

Chris Wadel

President 201-835-7726 cwadel@optimum.net



Claire Zimmerman

Caller Contact 201-291-8417 swissoctober@hotmail.com

Sep 3	Sandy Corey	End of Summer Celebration – Wear your shorts or capris before the cool weather sets in.
Sep 17	Larry Shipman	Crossword Puzzle Dance – Wear black and white (puzzles will be handed out).
Oct 1		NO DANCE – Yom Kippur
Oct 15	Paul Ingis	Breast Cancer Awareness Month – Wear pink.
Nov 5	Stephen Ingis	Oven Mitt Dance – Dangle dance
Nov 19	Dane Bragg	It's Pumpkin Time – Wear orange.
Dec 3	Mark Franks	National Write a Friend Month – Notes will be brought to a local nursing home.
Dec 17	Fran Wadel	Student Midterm Dance – Bring your students to dance with us.
Jan 7	Paul Ingis	Tribute to Woodstock – Wear tie dye and beads.
Jan 21	Maryjane Clewell	Baby It's Cold Outside – Dance in your favorite hat, scarf, and/or gloves.
Feb 4	Stephen Ingis	National Chocolate Lovers Month – Wear brown and enjoy our chocolate treats.
Feb 18	Jonathon Weiner	Some Days It's OK to Be a Devil – Dangle dance Wear red and get a dangle.
Mar 4	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore	National Snack Day
Mar 18	Dane Bragg	Irish Spring – Wear anything green.
Apr 1		NO DANCE – Happy Passover
Apr 15	Larry Shipman	It's Tax Day – No need to be sad, come out and dance with us.
May 6	Howard Richman	Murder Mystery
May 20	Betsy Gotta	National Health and Fitness Day – Square dance to keep fit!

sqrdance.org/BellesBeaux

1, 3 Wed. All Year Chris Wadel: 201-835-7726

Maywood Recreation Center 340 Duvier Place

More than 80 dancers gathered on May 7 for an evening of intrigue, elegance, and square dancing at the annual Belles & Beaux Murder Mystery Dance. This year's performance, Murder at a Rehearsal for My Hair Lady, featured caller Howard Richman and a colorful cast of innocent and not-so-innocent characters. In the end, Wilhemina Shakespeare was brought to justice and led away in fuzzy pink handcuffs for the murder of Alfreda Hitchhen. Thanks to Richard Ball for writing, directing, and keeping this tradition going for so many years! Missed the fun? Watch for an email with a link to the video on YouTube!

We kept the vibe going with our Mystery Bus Ride on Saturday, May 31, back after a six-year hiatus. (These two classic events earned us the nickname "Mystery Club.") The bus ride features a fun-filled day at an undisclosed destination and a dance with an undisclosed club. Attendees first toured The Seeing Eye in Morristown, a facility that trains dogs for the visually impaired as

well as their handlers, and saw dogs in training. The bus continued to the Morris Museum, where Stephen Ingis called a few tips (photo at right). The next stop was for



dinner at the Flaming Grill and Modern Buffet. Our trip culminated in an evening of dancing in Bridgewater to caller Dan Koft at an event hosted by Independence Squares and Times Squares. We had a great time and look forward to continuing this tradition for many years.

We were honored to graduate eight Mainstream dancers taught by Fran Wadel, who will return in the fall for our next class. To refresh your skills or introduce a prospective new dancer, join us on Thursday nights in Glen Rock from 7:15-9:30.

Last year's Plus class was such a success that we offered it again this year – and graduated 15 people! We plan to start another Plus class in April 2026.

We dance all year on first and third Wednesdays at the Maywood Recreation Center – come take a turn with us!

~ Deb Stahl



CIRCLE EIGHTS

2025-2026 Mainstream with Plus Tips



Dancing one Sunday per month from 2-4 PM at the Maywood Recreation Center 340 Duvier Place, Maywood, NJ 07607

9/05/25 **INTRO DANCE: Friday 7-9 PM Bring your friends!** Caller Fran Wadel at HUMC, 349 Hillsdale Ave., Hillsdale, NJ 07642

9/14/25 **Karin Rabe & Greg Moore** Back to School: Bring school supplies to donate, and a high school photo.

65th Anniversary Dinner-Dance International Caller BILL HARRISON

Sunday, Sept. 28, 2025, 12-4 PM at The Brownstone, Paterson, NJ Alternating MS and Plus. Must purchase tickets by Sept. 15. Email Arlene at *squaredancer77@gmail.com* or call (201) 444-9071.

10/12/25	Betsy Gotta Celebrate your heritage!
11/23/25	Howard Richman Let's be thankful: bring food to donate.
12/14/25	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore Holiday joy: wear holiday colors.
1/11/26	Paul Ingis Black and White dance!
2/08/26	Fran Wadel STUDENT DANCE: all students \$5.
3/08/26	Howard Richman "Everyone is Irish" Day
4/12/26	Mark Franks "Celebrate the Earth" Dangle Dance
5/03/26	Jonathon Weiner Hawaiian Luau
6/14/26	Betsy Gotta ICE CREAM SOCIAL: enjoy your summer!

MAINSTREAM BEGINNERS CLASS WITH TEACHER FRAN WADEL

Hillsdale United Methodist Church, 349 Hillsdale Ave., Hillsdale, NJ 07642

Tuesday nights beginning Sept. 16, 2025 7-9 PM

To register, call class coordinators Alicia and David at 201-926-5000.

Information: Pat and Tom 201-955-1495 circle8s.nnjsda.org

circle8s.nnjsda.org Cell for dance: 201-744-6463

Various Sun. Sept.-June Maywood Recreation Center Pat and Tom Duemig: 201-955-1495 340 Duvier Place

Circle Eights thanks Belles & Beaux and Bee Sharps for their wonderfully supportive raids. Before our own members raided RocklandRockytops, we enjoyed dinner at a newly discovered Mexican restaurant. Our raid to Lakeland Squares was one we won't forget! We arrived during a brownout with no air conditioning in their hall, but decided to stay and dance in the air-conditioned basement. It proved to be a very interesting raid!



Congrats to our newest members, who graduated in April. Pictured left to right are head angels Rich and Kim Ferrentino, Marjie Remington-Howes, Beth Parrillo, class instructor Fran Wadel, Autumn Hill, Grace Moyano, Rina Williams (who learned the man's part), and Christy Cleary. They've really been enjoying dancing and raiding with us! We'll be starting a new class in the fall – keep an eye out for details.

The last Circle Eights dance of the previous season — our Ice Cream Social — was followed by our annual membership meeting at which the following board members were elected for 2025-26: presidents Pat and Tom Duemig, 1st vice presidents Kim and Rich Ferrentino, 2nd vice presidents Alicia and David Weschler, 3rd vice presidents Gerry and Rick Savino, secretary Rina Williams, and treasurer Arlene Remington. Thanks to our outgoing Raid chairs, Debbie and Jose Obarrio, for doing a great job, and welcome to Kim and Rich as our new Raid chairs.

In addition to dancing, our members continued traveling. Rina Williams went to Colorado to welcome her first grandchild – granddaughter Noah.

Although our 60th anniversary celebration was canceled due to Covid, Circle Eights can finally celebrate the 65th in grand style. Please join us on Sunday, September 28, 2025, at The Brownstone in Paterson from noon to 4:00 PM. See our ad for details.

~ Jeanne Weisman

HUNTERDON FLUTTERWHEELS



Hunterdon County Complex Building 1 314 Route 12, Flemington, NJ 08822



Web: hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjsda.org **Contact # night of dance:** 908-458-6387

<u>Date</u>	<u>Theme</u>	<u>Caller</u>
9/14/25	DANCE PARTY (Open to the public) 2:00-4:00 PM	Mary Moody
9/19/25	Hispanic American Heritage (Baile feliz – happy dancing.)	Dane Bragg
10/3/25	Oktoberfest (Think dirndls and lederhosen.)	Mary Moody
10/17/25*	Dancing Down on the Farm ~ LIVE MUSIC	Howard Richman
11/7/25*	Saluting Our Armed Forces (Wear red, white, and blue.)	Mark Franks
11/21/25	Maize Craze (Wear yellow. Enjoy corny jokes and snacks.)	Mary Moody
12/5/25	Celebrate National CBD (Cookie and Brownie Days)	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore
12/19/25	"Ugly" Holiday Sweaters (Local food pantry drive)	Dane Bragg
1/2/26	Happy New Year NO DANCE	
1/16/26	Absolutely NOT Our Opposite Day Dance (Or is it?)	Jenn Engimann
1/30/26	Winter Respite (Hot cocoa and puzzles)	Mary Moody
2/6/26	Souper Bowl XI (Homemade soups and halftime snacks)	Howard Richman
2/20/26	Loving Our Pets (Share your favorite pet photos and stories.)	Dane Bragg
3/6/26	Yawn! It's National Napping Day (Wear comfy pajamas.)	Mark Franks
3/20/26	National Chip 'n' Dip Day (What's your favorite?)	Betsy Gotta
4/3/26	Good Friday/Passover NO DANCE	
4/17/26	National Monument Day (Share photos and mementos.)	Mary Moody
5/1/26	Aloha! National Lei Day (Hawaiian dress and snacks)	Howard Richman
5/15/26	Itza Pizza Party (Wear red, white, and green.)	Dane Bragg
5/29/26	Under the Sea Soiree (For World Sea Turtle Day)	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore
6/5/26	Drive-In Movie Night ~ ICE CREAM SOCIAL	Paul Ingis

Alternate Mainstream and Plus Tips 1st and 3rd Fridays 8:00-10:15 PM Soft-Soled Shoes, Please! MS Classes Wednesdays from 7:00-9:00 PM Plus Classes Spring 2026 Check Website for Venue Changes.

For Information:

908-458-6387

hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjsda.org facebook.com/hunterdonflutterwheels

*Alternate venue: PeopleCare Center, Bridgewater

hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjsda.org

1, 3 Fri. Sept.-June Frank Laritz: 908-458-6387 Hunterdon County Complex, Building 1 314 State Route 12

Here are highlights from our busy spring and summer:

Guests from five clubs squared up for our Travel Around the World dance. Everyone enjoyed Dan Koft's vocal timbre and creative call combinations to music from around the globe.

Our Plus students graduated at our Scavenger Hunt dance. Dane Bragg called the tips with his soothing vocals and well-planned patters. Lakeland Squares raiders paraded with lots of comical nautical flair and vigor.

We concluded the season with our Cowabunga, Dude! dance. Fifty people, including Reelers raiders, shared the floor as well as their favorite toppings for the well-provisioned ice cream buffet. Paul Ingis dedicated a patriotic singer to US veterans in honor of D-Day.

We met our Raid program goal for the dance year by traveling 245 miles to six clubs with raiding parties numbering from 10 to 21 dancers.

Our first Summer Solstice Barn Dance in June was on fire! Howard Richman brought his customary high energy, sense of humor, and impeccable attention to dance floor dynamics. We welcomed 13 new dancers to the floor that evening.

Our summer workshops kept dancers on their toes and their minds sharp as instructors reviewed Mainstream and Plus calls.

Members danced their ways to the National Square Dance Convention, the Star Spangled Banner Festival, All-Day DBD, and the Tennessee State Convention.

In July, club members were spotted directing traffic in Deerpath Park at Music Under the Stars concerts and then enjoying the entertainment.

Our annual picnic was hosted by Mark and Marja, who opened their patio, pool, and grill to members taking a summer break for some club camaraderie.

We are hosting a Dance Party open to EVERYONE. We invite you to bring your adult family members, friends, and coworkers as guests.

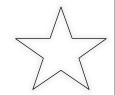
Please see our schedule in the adjoining ad for the coming year's events.

~ Gerri Vitovitch



KITTATINNY RANGERS

MAINSTREAM DANCE CLUB



September – June
2nd and 4th Fridays 7:00-9:00 PM
\$7 Admission Light Refreshments

First Presbyterian Church, 100 Main Street, Stanhope, NJ 07874 Parking in rear of church; enter through red door.

2025		2026		
Sept. 12	Ed Crowley	Jan. 9	TBA	Mainstream Classes
Sept. 26	Dane Bragg	Jan. 23	Dane Bragg	with teacher Ed Crowley
Oct. 10	TBA	Feb. 13	Doug Kauffman	with teacher La crowley
Oct. 24	TBA	Feb. 27	Howard Richman	Halsted Middle School
Nov. 14	Cameron Harnish	Mar. 13	TBA	59 Halsted Street
Nov. 28	NO DANCE	Mar. 27	Sharon Trimble	Newton, NJ 07860
Dec. 12	Doug Kauffman	Apr. 10	TBA	Thursday evenings
Dec. 26	NO DANCE	Apr. 24	Doug Kauffman	6:30–9:00 PM
COI	ME DANCE	May 8	TBA	September 18, 2025–
		May 22	Howard Richman	June 11, 2026
V	VITH US	June 12	Ed Crowley	
	kittatinnyrangers.d	org	Questic	ons? 973-248-2604

SUGGESTIONS FOR STYLING

- **Touch hands immediately after every call.** Touching hands helps maintain the formation (line, wave, column, etc.) and helps prepare for the next call.
- Keep your set small.
- Step to the rhythmic beat of the music.
- Be bold in executing calls.
- Compromise. If you miss part of a call, try to pick up where the action is. If
 you can't resolve the formation, form a line, wait for the caller to call for a
 line, and try to keep the set dancing.
- Accept or admit you "goofed." When you goof (and we all do) goof
 gracefully and try to recover the best you can to save the set from breaking
 down entirely.
- Concentrate. Think of the definition of each call. It takes time for the calls and movements that are learned to become part of a person's mental and physical muscle memory. Be PATIENT with yourself and with others!

kittatinnyrangers.org
Cell for dance: 973-248-2604

2, 4 Fri. Sept.-May

First Presbyterian Church
Connie Smith: 973-202-9493

100 Main Street

Greetings from the Kittatinny Rangers — we trust that you have had a wonderful summer.

Highlights for the Rangers included our president, Donna Poyer, retiring as a school bus driver in June (to the dismay of many children). This will enable her to spend more time dancing (to the delight of her square dance friends).

Also in June, we celebrated with new graduates who successfully completed our Mainstream class: Zita Kurtzman, Frederique Poulet, and Thomas Sidoti. Kudos to vice presidents/class coordinators Karen Hartman and Donald Lane, teacher Ken Smith, class assistant Tina Ammerman, and our faithful angels.

In July, we gathered with the Reelers for our annual joint picnic hosted by Lise Greene and Mark Bippes. (Some of the attendees are pictured here.) We enjoyed delicious food and relaxing views of Lake Hopatcong and are so thankful that they maintain this tradition.

In August, our Betty Harris officially became 96 years of age. Her unofficial

celebration was in May with Eddie Mindlin, when he turned 99. As a testament to longevity and square dancing, there is a video of Eddie and Betty flawlessly executing calls in a square with much younger dancers.

Throughout the summer, members enjoyed NNJSDA and club dances.

Sadly, three in our square dance family passed away in the last several months. John Bridenbaugh (wife Sue) was a lifelong animal lover, retired veterinarian, and pilot. John Sheppard (wife Pat) was an active hiker, storm chaser, and world traveler. Bill Majcher loved dogs, and in his younger days volunteered for several youth sport activities as well as the Appalachian Service Project. We, however, remember them best for their joy in square dancing and their friendship. They will be missed.

Remember, you are always welcome to join the Kittatinny Rangers on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month to dance at First Presbyterian Church in Stanhope. Mainstream classes are held in the fall and spring in Newton.

~ Connie Smith

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(Air-Conditioned Hall)

Alternating MAINSTREAM and PLUS 2nd & 4th MONDAYS (8:00-10:00 PM)

SEPT.	8	Howard Richman	Vacation Theme	
SEP1.	22	Paul Ingis	Pirate Theme	
OCT	13	Betsy Gotta	Nursery Rhymes Theme	
OCT.	27	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore	Halloween	
NOV	10	Howard Richman	Veterans Day	
NOV.	24	Stephen Ingis	Thanksgiving/Autumn Theme	
DEC	8	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore	Polka Dot Theme – Bring Toys for Tots	
DEC.	22	Howard Richman	Holiday Dance	
TANT	12	Fran Wadel	Student MS Dance – Winter Wonderland	
JAN.	26	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore	Under the Sea Theme	
FEB.	9	Howard Richman	Mardi Gras	
FEB.	23	Betsy Gotta	Wear a Tie Day	
	9	Stephen Ingis	St. Patrick's Day – Wear Green	
MAR.	23	Fran Wadel	MS Graduation	
	30	Howard Richman	Hoedown – No Experience Necessary! Cowboys and Cowgirls Theme	
APR.	13	Betsy Gotta	Silly Earring Theme	
APK.	27	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore	Devils and Dogs Theme	
MAY	11	Mark Franks	Anniversary Potluck Dinner-Dance	
	18	Howard Richman	Hoedown – No Experience Necessary! Moon Dance Theme	

For more information: Kathy Keener 973-229-0698

Monte/Janet: 973-546-3092

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Visit our website at lakelandsquares.wixsite.com/Lakeland







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2, 4 Mon. Sept.-July Kathy Keener: 973-229-0698 Good Shepherd Episcopal Church 9 Two Bridges Road

Ahoy! It has been a busy spring and summer at Lakeland, where we added hoedowns to our twice-a-month schedule. These intro-like dances are well attended with up to five squares, and some people also come just to watch. Howard Richman did an excellent job teaching and Jonathon Weiner had us laughing and imitating his Bronx accent. It was a pleasure to see many people dressed in western garb.

Our nine students graduated on March 24 with a huge cake and Fran Wadel calling. The graduates had us rolling with laughter over a very humorous skit.

We marked our 52nd anniversary with a potluck dinner-dance, and Ed Foote voiced many of his quirky quips. There was anniversary cake plus a cake and song for Eddie Mindlin's 99th birthday. He proudly wore his World War II Navy hat.

The Night at the Movies dance called by Howard Richman was once again our best-attended event of the year. We had visitors from eight clubs and 14 raiders from Hunterdon Flutterwheels. Among the 55 dancers were 29 in costume, and eight Oscars were awarded: best animal (101 Dalmatians) Sheryl Gurney;

best costume (Drive-in-Theater) Helen Leba; best duo (Nightmare Before Christmas) Bonnie Jean Mac Yash and Ken Kuter; best cartoon (Snoopy and patient from Peanuts) Jane Ross and Chris Carter; best actress



(World's End Pirates of the Caribbean) Kim Ferrentino; best actor (The Patriot) Matt Carmel; best child star (Dorothy from The Wizard of Oz) Pat Mascenik; best group (Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs) Rich Evans, Gale Frankle, Dean Hartman, Celia Longendyke, JP Plioplys, Doina Ralea, Judy Salomon, and Ellen Taylor. Thanks to all who dressed up and thanks to Janet Eid for baking the Oscar cookies. Howard Richman was superb with his performances in costume.

Our strangest dance was on June 23 with Paul Ingis. It was a 100-degree day and our air-conditioning would not work. Two huge fans plus overhead fans did not help. Fortunately, the downstairs AC was working and the temperature there was in the 60s. We moved all the furniture and had a successful dance, including a raid from Circle Eights. We just had to wipe up condensation from the floors after each tip! Since the space was long and narrow, Paul had to stand on a chair to see the back square – probably for the first and perhaps the last time.

[~] Janet and Monte Montagnino



MIDDLETOWN RAMBLERS

SQUARE DANCE CLUB MIDDLETOWN, NEW JERSEY

Mainstream/Plus Club Fridays 7:30-9:30 PM Croydon Hall - Middletown Senior Center 900 Leonardville Road, Leonardo, NJ 07737 middletownramblers.org

2025		2026	
Sep 5	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore	Jan 23	Betsy Gotta
Sep 12	Jenn Engimann	Jan 30	Howard Richman
Sep 19	Mark Franks	Feb 6	Mark Franks
Sep 26**	Howard Richman	Feb 13	Betsy Gotta
Oct 3	Betsy Gotta	Feb 20	Howard Richman
Oct 10	Maryjane Clewell	Feb 27	Doug Kauffman
Oct 17	Mark Franks	Mar 6	Betsy Gotta
Oct 24	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore	Mar 13	Doug Kauffman
Oct 31	Howard Richman	Mar 20	Howard Richman
Nov 7	NO DANCE	Mar 27	Doug Kauffman
Nov 14	Howard Richman	Apr 3	NO DANCE
Nov 21	Howard Richman	Apr 10	Betsy Gotta
Nov 28	NO DANCE	Apr 17	Mark Franks
Dec 5	Howard Richman	Apr 24	Howard Richman
Dec 12	Betsy Gotta	May 1	Mark Franks
Dec 19	Mark Franks	May 8	Betsy Gotta
Dec 26	NO DANCE	May 15	Doug Kauffman
2026		May 22	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore
Jan 2	NO DANCE	May 29	Howard Richman
Jan 9	Doug Kauffman	Jun 5	Betsy Gotta
Jan 16	Paul Ingis	Jun 12	Paul Ingis

Dance Level: Alternating MS/Plus
**Thompson Park Open House
Larry Sherwood, President 732-319-920
Cyndy Allan, VP 732-995-8949

middletownramblers.org

Every Fri. All Year Middletown Senior Center at Croydon Hall Larry Sherwood: 732-319-8920 900 Leonardville Road

The Middletown Ramblers look forward to squaring up with people from across New Jersey and beyond during the fall and winter seasons.

On Friday, September 26, we will run a free barn dance introducing newcomers to the fun of movement with Howard Richman. The location is Thompson Park, starting at 7:00 PM.

We look forward to more reunion socials including square dancing on the same evening.

Middletown Ramblers enjoy traveling to other clubs; some of us will also travel to regional and national events.

We continue to offer "featured calls" every Friday for both Mainstream and Plus.

I'm sure we will have another costume party. The photo below is from the 2024 Halloween dance.

Larry Sherwood continues to be our instructor, assisted in many ways by multiple angels on Tuesday evenings. We have several students graduating from our classes every year.

Every Friday dance includes refreshments, thanks to Karen Berner, Patty Ross, Sandy Stewart, and others.

For updates, check our website (middletownramblers.org).

Come to the shore – the more, the merrier!

~ John Luard





Maryjane: 551-206-7905

Motiv8ors

motiv8ors.nnjsda.org



cmimigirl@aol.com

Sundays at American Legion Post 171 17-08 River Road, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

Full C1 6:00-6:30		C1 Teach /:00-/:30		
	Class Le	evel C1 6:30-7:00	Advance	ed+New Calls 7:30-9:00
	Sept. 7	Mark Franks	Jan. 18	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore
	Sept. 28	Betsy Gotta	Feb. 1	Jenn Engimann
	Oct. 5	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore	Feb. 15	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore
	Oct. 19	Jenn Engimann	Mar. 1	Jenn Engimann
	Nov. 16	Ed Foote	Mar. 22	Betsy Gotta
	Nov. 30	Betsy Gotta	Apr. 19	Jenn Engimann
	Dec. 7	Jenn Engimann	Apr. 26	Betsy Gotta
	Dec. 21	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore	May 17	Mark Franks
	Jan. 4	Mark Franks	May 31	Betsy Gotta
		Singles Welcome	Compute	er Squares

Rich: 845-735-3222

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Susan (Allen) and Brian Horowitz who tied the knot on July 26, 2025, in a lovely lakeside setting in the Berskshires, Massachusetts. Susan and Brian are members of Bee Sharps and Hunterdon Flutterwheels and Susan currently serves as NNJSDA 2nd Vice President. Pictured above left are Joanna Lieuallen, Maid of Honor, Susan, Brian, and Barry Horowitz, Best Man.

motiv8ors.nnjsda.org

Various Sun. All Year Maryjane Clewell: 551-206-7905 American Legion Post 171 17-08 River Road

Several Motiv8ors joined Independence Squares at their "Grease"-themed annual fly-in. Poodle skirts, saddle shoes, and leather jackets were visible



Louis and Jan Thompson in costume at "Grease" fly-in

throughout the weekend. The Langhorne, Pennsylvania, location is very convenient from northern New Jersey, so seriously consider attending their Big Top-themed event from March 13-15, 2026. It promises a fun time for all.

George Voorhis and Ed Guckin traveled to Ottawa, Canada, to attend "Veer North," a fly-in hosted by Date Squares. A staff of dynamic Canadian and American callers provided a great experience for the attendees. An interesting tidbit: The club is named after their traditional local confection.

In June, Susan and Frank Dreifus celebrated their 50th anniversary by sponsoring a square dance to benefit the

American Heart Association. Details about this special couple and the event can be found on page 41. In addition, congratulations go to Susan and Frank on the birth of their second great-granddaughter, Opal Rae.

In July, Maryjane Clewell, Susan and Frank Dreifus, Marie Gower, Bernadine Icklan, Cathy and Don Schlesinger, and May Tamanaha attended the C1 Blast with caller Ken Ritucci at Cherry Ridge in Pennsylvania. The Blast both taught and reinforced the program's calls and concepts to which they had been introduced at the ongoing lessons at Motiv8ors dances. Don's account of that experience can be found on page 45.

Other square dance events enjoyed by club members include Pass the Ocean, Hon! (Delaware), Make Magic (New York), Plus weekend at Cherry Ridge (Pennsylvania), IAGSDC Convention (California), and Star Spangled Banner Festival (Maryland).

~ Jan Thompson





REELERS

Plus Club with Rounds

Info: Karen Condon 201-841-7523 kmc07834@yahoo.com reelers.nnjsda.org Ironia School, 303 Dover-Chester Road (Route 513) Randolph, NJ 07869

1st and 3rd Fridays 7:30 – Early Rounds 8:00-10:15 – Plus/Rounds

For Mainstream class info, contact Karen Condon (see above). For info on round dance classes at various levels, call or text Mary Pickett: 908-419-3605.

Bring your friends to our three community (intro) dances: Tuesday 9/9/25; Tuesday 9/16/25; Friday 5/29/26

Cuer: Mary Pickett unless noted

2025-26	<u>Caller</u>	<u>Theme</u>
09/05	Mark Franks (NJ)	Welcome Back (club colors)
09/19	Clay Goss (DE)	Fall Ice Cream Festival
10/03	Howard Richman (NJ)	Movie and Show Tunes
10/17	Karin Rabe & Greg Moore (NJ)	Around the World
11/07	No D	ance
11/21	Ted Lizotte (NH)	Give Thanks (food donation)
12/05	Doug Kauffman (NJ)	Books for Kids (new books)
12/19	Paul Ingis (NJ)	Holiday Dance
01/16	Sandy Corey (NY)	Denim Hoedown
02/06	Dave Black (PA)	Souper Bowl (canned soup)
02/20	Jenn Engimann (PA)	Bring on the Pies
03/06	Dan Koft (PA) – Kathy cuing	Chocoholics' Delight
$03/20^{1}$	Dane Bragg (PA)	Welcome, Students
$04/17^2$	Clay Goss (DE)	Treasurers' Break
05/01	Ed Foote (PA)	Sounds of the '60s and '70s
05/15	Mark Franks (NJ)	Ice Cream Social
06/05	Howard Richman (NJ)	Beach Bash
1	Student Mainstream, no rounds	² Club treasurers free

reelers.nnjsda.org
Cell for dance: 973-216-4524

1, 3 Fri. Sept.-June Ironia School Karen Condon: 201-841-7523 303 Dover-Chester Road (Route 513)

The Reelers are eager to welcome all NNJSDA dancers and guests to our upcoming events. Two community dances will be held on Tuesdays, September 9 and 16, at Ironia School. Mainstream classes will begin there on September 30, and we're delighted that Ed Crowley will be our instructor again.

We had four Mainstream-only and 19 Plus graduates in May (photo by Karen Condon). Expertly taught by Ed, our classes were well attended by enthusiastic students and angels, and laughter was always a part of the evening.

You'll also see some of those grads hit the floor for a round dance or two! Join us for beginner lessons with Mary Pickett at Ironia School on Thursdays from 7:30-9:30, starting September 18. Have fun learning (with or without a partner), join us on the floor at a future round dance, and surprise your friends and family with your cha cha skills at the next wedding or anniversary party!

Reelers and Kittatinny members had some summer fun together at our annual combined picnic. Our thanks once again to Mark Bippes and Lise Greene for hosting the festivities at their home overlooking Lake Hopatcong.

When not dancing, our members are a very active bunch. Reelers Plus graduates Gale Frankle, Dean Hartman, John Plioplys, Doina Ralea, and Ellen Taylor, along with longtime members Mark Bippes, Lise Greene, and Bob Turner, participated in the Hudson Farm Charity Hike in May.

Mark was inducted into the 2025 Eagle Scout Hall of Fame for the Patriots' Path Council. Congratulations, Mark! Lise was featured in *Lake Hopatcong News* (pages 8-10). Read this fascinating article describing her journey in translating her Danish mother's diaries and letters written between 1934 and 1994.

We welcome all new and experienced Plus dancers to join us for the new season beginning September 5. For more information, please visit our website.

~ Phyllis Wooster











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RocklandRockytops WELCOME TO OUR CLUB

ALTERNATING MAINSTREAM AND PLUS TIPS Second and Fourth Fridays 7:00-9:00 PM (All Year Round) Congers Community Center – 8 Gilchrest Rd., Congers, NY

09/12/25	FRAN WADEL	02/27/26	BETSY GOTTA
09/26/25	SANDY COREY	03/13/26	RANDY LONGOBUCCO
10/10/25	BETSY GOTTA	03/27/26	JIM EMORY
10/24/25	RANDY LONGOBUCCO	04/10/26	HOWARD RICHMAN
11/14/25	ED FOOTE	04/24/26	MARK FRANKS
11/28/25*	PAUL INGIS		ED FOOTE
12/12/25	SANDY COREY		
Free F	Holiday Spirit Dance	05/22/26	RICK GITTELMAN
12/26/25	NO DANCE	06/12/26	BETSY GOTTA
	<u>2026</u>	06/26/26	HOWARD RICHMAN
01/09/26	HOWARD RICHMAN	07/10/26	PAUL INGIS
01/23/26	STEPHEN INGIS	07/22/26	JIM EMORY
02/13/26	FRAN WADEL	08/14/26	HOWARD RICHMAN
Student/	Valentine's Day Dance	08/28/26	SANDY COREY

<u>Directions to Congers</u>: page 16 of *May 2017 Map Supplement*<u>For further information</u>: Don 845-623-2772 or 845-642-5624
*Venue for this dance: Hillsdale United Methodist Church

ROCKLANDROCKYTOPS - Congers, NY

sqrdance.org/RocklandRockytops Cell for dance: 845-642-5624

2, 4 Fri. All Year Congers Community Center
Don Schlesinger: 845-623-2772 8 Gilchrest Road

At RocklandRockytops, we have been enjoying another season of our awesome activity of square dancing. On April 11, we hosted 36 attendees, including 17 raiders from Circle Eights, dancing to caller Randy Longobucco. On April 25, three squares, including several new Mainstream dancers from Circle Eights and Friendly Squares, enjoyed the calling and lovely singing voice of Sandy Corey.

Rockytops members Kristen Rabeler and Theresa Kane had a fun time in April at the Philadelphia Independence Squares Fly-In weekend. See "Where in the World Have Our Dancers Been?" for their story on page 44.

May 9 was our annual Ice Cream Social, with entertaining caller Ed Foote. Three charming Schlesinger grandchildren were with us to help Grandma Cathy

and her fellow scoopers dish out the varied flavors of ice cream and bountiful array of toppings. I suspect they also came to be with Grandpa Don for his May birthday. Also celebrating a May birthday was Rockytops member Debbie Moran. In addition, we were delighted to wish a very happy 99th birthday to guest Eddie Mindlin. We thank Eddie and Don Lane, of Kittatinny Rangers and Reelers, for making the long trip to dance with us.

Unfortunately, we had to cancel our May 23 dance when Rick Gittelman was not well. We send Rick our best wishes for good health. In spite of a very rainy evening



on June 13, we had three squares with caller Jim Emory. Delighting in the calling of Mark Franks on June 27 were 51 attendees, including seven new Plus graduates. Raids from Belles & Beaux, Circle Eights, and Reelers contributed to a fantastic night!

Callers who kept us strutting in July and August were Howard Richman, Sandy Corey, Betsy Gotta, and Paul Ingis. If you were not among those who shared the wonderful dances we had this season, we hope to welcome you soon at RocklandRockytops.

~ Joan Schierlitz



2025-2026 Mainstream Dance/Class Schedule

Pioneer Grange #1, 410 Ridge Road, Dayton, NJ 08810

First, Third, and Fifth Sundays

Class 1:30, Dance (Mainstream & Rounds) 2:30-5:00 Class members are invited to stay for the dances.

Guests: \$8 (adult)/\$4 (under 18)
If you need more information, contact Ginny at 732-690-5280.

2025	Theme	Call/Cuer
September 7	Welcome Back/Open House	Dan Koft/Kathy Koft
September 21	Open House	Dan Koft/Kathy Koft
October 5	Breast Cancer Awareness (wear pink)	Betsy Gotta/Roy Gotta
October 19		Dan Koft/Kathy Koft
November 2	Food Bank (bring canned goods)	Betsy Gotta/Roy Gotta
November 16		Dan Koft/Kathy Koft
November 30	No dance – holiday weekend	
December 7	Holiday Party/Toys for Tots	Gottas & Kofts
December 21	Backwards Day	Betsy Gotta/Roy Gotta
2026		
January 4	Planes, Trains, and Automobiles	Betsy Gotta/Roy Gotta
January 18		Betsy Gotta/Roy Gotta
February 1	Happy Songs	Dan Koft/Kathy Koft
February 15	Mardi Gras	Betsy Gotta/Roy Gotta
March 1		Betsy Gotta/Roy Gotta
March 15	Around the World	Dan Koft/Kathy Koft
March 29		Dan Koft/Kathy Koft
April 5	No dance – Easter	
April 19	Crazy Hat Day	Gottas & Kofts
May 3	Color Wheel	Dan Koft/Kathy Koft
May 17		Betsy Gotta/Roy Gotta
May 31	No dance – holiday weekend	
June 7	Talk to the Animals	Dan Koft/Kathy Koft

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Our dancing season came to a very successful completion with the continuation of our themed events. At our club meeting, we voted in and introduced a new executive board for the 2025-26 season: Ginny Platania reprising as president, Ken Robinson as vice president/class coordinator, Mary Ann Ryan-Erdek resuming her role as secretary and *Grand Square* reporter, and Karen Lewis who joins Jeff Platania as co-treasurer.

We would like to thank Rosemary Biggs, who has rotated off her treasurer duties, and also to wish Ken a very active and joyous dance season as he continues to recover from his recent health issues.

Our two summer dances were called and cued by our regular teams: one in July with Betsy and Roy Gotta and the other in August with Dan and Kathy Koft. We welcome all clubs to raid us in the new dance season.



As another National Square Dance Convention has come and gone, you may be interested to know about a friendly competition called "The Last Square Standing." If you're curious as to what this is all about, a video of this year's event can be found online at youtu.be/VBKfb5 XOcM?si=EQs4fKc4e B-z4t6.

~ Mary Ann Ryan-Erdek





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Spring began for Times Squares with members making annual pilgrimages to fly-ins sponsored by sister clubs – Philadelphia Freedom (Independence Squares) and Pass the Ocean, Hon! (Chesapeake Squares). Also starting in May, Times Squares shifted to its summer schedule of Thursday-only club nights with occasional Saturday dances and open houses.

On May 31, Times Squares and Independence Squares from Philadelphia cosponsored Wheel Around New Jersey 2. This second annual popular event saw almost 100 people from New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania dancing to the creative calling of Dan Koft.

The main summer event for many of our members was the annual IAGSDC Convention during the weekend of July 4. Thirty-one Times Squares members traveled to San Francisco to dance, renew distant friendships, and remember the dancers we lost since the last convention. Congratulations to members Larry Epley, Daniel Savitt, Greely Walker, and Leslie Walsh, all of whom received medallions for 30 years of convention attendance.

Our Thursday dances continued weekly, many of them having special themes to celebrate summer events: Pride in June with Howard Richman, Christmas in July with Besty Gotta, and our annual White Party in July with Dayle Hodge (picture below).

In June and July, we held two successful open houses in preparation for our Mainstream class that began August 5. We look forward to graduating another batch of new Mainstream dancers in October, just in time for our Peel the Pumpkin fly-in on October 25 featuring callers Ken Burke and Betsy Gotta.

~ Kim Norland



Y Squares





The Last Dance

September 11, 2025 Hehnly School 590 Raritan Road Clark, NJ

Caller Mike Sikorsky Cuer Mary Pickett

Early Rounds 7:30 PM
Dance 8:00-10:00 PM
Alternating squares and rounds, third tip is Plus

Thank you for attending our farewell dance. We have appreciated all of your support and raids, tonight and always.

Questions: Call Maureen Moynihan 732-259-1559

Thanks for the Memories



Members of Y Squares at the club's 50th anniversary dance on Nov. 14, 2013 (photo: George Kuhne)

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2, 4 Thurs. Sept.-May Maureen Moynihan: 732-259-1559 Hehnly Elementary School 590 Raritan Road

Our club had many fresh themes this year, and our members provided exceptional treats to accompany those themes. We also enjoyed our annual summer picnic hosted by Jan and Paul Sanderson.

As has been the case for most years, our members traveled to other clubs. In addition, the Sandersons and Barbara and George Kuhne went to WASCA. Y Squares was represented by Tony Milito and Maureen Moynihan at the National Square Dance Convention in Shreveport, Louisiana, where 16 New Jerseyans participated. The theme was Dancing on the Wild Side! The convention stressed that both square and round dancing provide us with plenty of exercise for both body and mind.

A longtime former club member, Alice Lambert, passed away in April. She and her husband, Bill, were the catalysts for holding our dances at the school in Clark. They were actively involved in Y Squares until physically unable to continue dancing.

Alas, as much as we have tried to create a variety of fresh themes and increase our attendance, Y Squares had to make the difficult decision to close our doors. However, the good news is that we are going out with a blast and having Mike Sikorsky as our final caller. Of course, Mary Pickett will be cuing. Our last dance is on Thursday, September 11, 2025, at our usual hall (Hehnly School in Clark).

We want to thank all the members who made Y Squares a success throughout the club's 62 years. We appreciate those who served on our executive board and committees; were lesson coordinators and teachers; provided exceptional treats; and provided ice for dances.

Also, thanks to the regular visitors and raiders who helped fill our squares over the last few years. And, of course, a huge thank you to Mary Pickett for being our house cuer.

To learn more about the history of Y Squares, please see page 49 for a reprint of our 50th anniversary article from the January 2014 issue of *Grand Square*.

Most of all ... thanks for the memories. ~ Maureen Moynihan and Tony Milito







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In celebration of our 50th wedding anniversary, we sponsored a square dance on June 14 at PeopleCare Center as a fundraiser for the American Heart Association. The dance, which raised more than \$1,500 for the AHA, was enjoyed by about 50 people. We chose this charity because without its work over the last 100 years, Frank would never have made it to this milestone.

We met at our apartment complex in 1973 when Susan's dog barked at Frank's dog. While dating, we took square dance lessons in Princeton. We also took first aid lessons and joined the newly formed Plainsboro First Aid Squad, leaving little time for other extracurricular activities.

On January 12, 1975, we married; Frank's daughters, Laura and Debra, were in attendance. Soon after, we bought a house and transferred to the Jamesburg First Aid Squad. After the birth of our son, David, we began welcoming the first of more than 50 foster children. In 1987, we bought a farmhouse in Sussex County and adopted our second son, Michael. The boys had a 4-H dairy goat project, and we had almost every other farm animal except cows and horses. In 2002, we downsized to a home in Whiting, taking only one dog and three cats.

With more time, we started square dancing again at Pairs "N" Squares after a lapse of almost 30 years. We progressed from Mainstream through Challenge 1, with detours into DBD and Hex. Our New Jersey clubs have included Middletown Ramblers, Shore Swingers, Crestwood Promenaders, Garden State Campers, and Rutgers Promenaders. We have also been members of Liberty Stars and Elk Mountaineers in Pennsylvania. Currently, we are members of Motiv8ors and Somerset Squares (New Jersey) and Y-Knots (Pennsylvania).

We have danced at Harvest Moon, Tumbling Leaves, WASCA, and DC and Philadelphia Fly-Ins. The most distant was Santa's Swingers in Fairbanks, Alaska. In 2017, we cruised the Caribbean with Bill Harrison and Tom Miller.

Our family has now grown to include six grandchildren and two greatgrandchildren. And yes, we still have a cat; Boxer travels with us to our trailer at Cherry Ridge Campsites in Pennsylvania for more square dancing.

Thank you to everyone who made a donation, including those who were not able to attend the dance. Special thanks to Jenn Engimann, Deb Cassel, Curtis Kraut, and Diane Coffman, whose help was invaluable.

~ Susan and Frank Dreifus



SQUARE DANCE WORD SEARCH

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Can you find all these calls?
Submitted by Rana Slosburg (Bee Sharps)

Allemande Angel Circulate Extend Left Partners Promenade Recycle Right Run

Square Swing Tag the Line Trade Zoom

GUIDE TO BEING A GREAT ANGEL

[Editor's note: Some advice is timeless. With classes beginning again, here is a list of helpful reminders to experienced dancers when guiding new students.]

- 1. Smile! Be encouraging. Be gentle with your attitude and words.
- 2. Wear your name badge; it helps to make things more personal and friendly.
- Do not talk during the tip. The students need to hear the caller/teacher clearly
 and without distractions. Save any comments you want to make until after the
 tip.
- 4. Do exactly what the caller/teacher calls. For example, do not do a Swing before a Promenade unless it is called.
- 5. Do not rush through a call. Students need time to process what they hear the caller/teacher say, and then they need more time to react.
- 6. Help to keep the formations neat. For example, lines and columns should be relatively straight. Try to keep your lines and waves parallel to the walls (not diagonal) and to each other. This will make it easier for the students to identify both the formations and their position in them.
- 7. You are the example the students see. Do the calls accurately, without taking short cuts and without adding flourishes. Examples: During Dosado, a dancer faces the same wall throughout the call. Circle to a Line is not defined as Slap and Veer. There are no hand contacts in Weave the Ring. Do not add a twirl after a Swing.
- 8. Use hand contacts consistently to establish formations and keep them neat. Establish eye contact with everyone in your square, especially the person with whom you are about to interact. (Refer to *Tips for Your Tips* articles.)
- 9. If you notice someone repeatedly making the same mistake during a tip, at the end of the tip (A) you can give the student the name of the call and suggest he/she approach the caller/teacher for clarification, and/or (B) you can give the caller/teacher the student's name and the call involved and let the caller/teacher handle the matter as he/she sees fit.

Thank you so much for being there!

If you can, review the call definitions before the classes. It will help if you have recently familiarized yourself with the definitions as listed by CALLERLAB. They can be found on their website, CALLERLAB.org (click on Dance Programs).

~ Jan Thompson

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Grease Was the Word: Rockytops members Kristen Rabeler and Theresa Kane, along with Nancy Jacobs of Reelers, had a fun time in April at the Independence Squares Fly-In weekend in Langhorne, Pennsylvania. This was the fourth year in a row that Kristen and Theresa participated, having started when they were new Mainstream graduates. Nancy, who has been going longer, introduced the Rockytops gals to the event.

They always look forward to the challenge of dancing to different callers and seeing people they have gotten to know from previous years. Theresa says they enjoy experiencing interesting dance formations such as progressive squares,

kaleidoscope squares, and demanding DBD (dance by definition) configurations. The dancing is fast-paced with upbeat music. This year's callers were Jeremy Butler of Virginia Beach, Virginia; Vic Ceder of Los Olivos, California; and Don Moger of Montreal, Canada.

An intriguing fact about Vic's hometown: Quaint Los Olivos was used several times in the Andy Griffith TV series as the town of Mayberry.

Each year, the Independence Squares Fly-In has a unique theme. In keeping with this year's theme, "Grease Is the Word," our members donned 1950s garb. They planned ahead to share outfits and clothing to complete their costumes and work on their hairdos and makeup (see photo of

their final result). It was a fun and creative outlet for them, says Nancy.

~ Joan Schierlitz

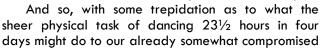


Kristen Rabeler, Nancy Jacobs, Theresa Kane



Having a Blast at Cherry Ridge (Boot Camp): It all started innocently enough. My wife, Cathy, spotted a flyer announcing a four-day C1 "Blast," taught by Ken

Ritucci, at Cherry Ridge Campsites, near Honesdale, PA. As we are currently completing C1 lessons at Motiv8ors, she thought this would be the perfect way to immerse ourselves in the program and learn from a master teacher and caller. And, while we had heard from many of our friends how enjoyable similar (but not quite!) weekends, at all program levels, including rounds, could be, we had never before participated. (Note: The Challenge program comprises C1, C2, C3A, C3B, and C4; so, miles to go before we sleep!)





bodies – not to mention the sensory overload of attempting to keep straight in our minds the $85\ C1\ calls$ – we decided to give it a go. I'll cut to the chase: we survived. Barely!

Was it fun? At times. There were about 26 hardy souls who gave it their all, including a full square of eight from Motiv8ors (see our article on page 27). Was it challenging? (You knew that was coming, right?) Beyond our wildest dreams. When you immerse yourself in a program of this nature, there's little time for anything else: you dance, eat, sleep, rinse, and repeat.

The campgrounds are quite beautiful; the accommodations are modest, but clean and adequate; and the camaraderie is a definite high point. As always,

square dancing is, by its very nature, a group endeavor. But an extended "weekend" such as this different. Everyone has a singleminded purpose: to succeed - and, perhaps, to enjoy, in the process. The aren't always completely compatible, but there's a sense of ultimate achievement program concludes and, well, to the best of your newfound ability, you're dancing C1.



The experience was ... memorable, to say the least. Would we do it again? Maybe, for a shorter weekend. Do we recommend that you go for one or more of the many programs on the Cherry Ridge annual schedule? Absolutely! And if you bring along the most comfortable shoes you own, ankle and knee braces, a portable fan, and, perhaps, some Bengay, that might be a good idea, as well.

~ Don Schlesinger (Motiv8ors, RocklandRockytops)

Oh, Canada: A wonderful fly-in, Veer North to the Capital, was held over Easter weekend in Canada, hosted by Ottawa Date Squares. The club celebrated its 30th anniversary by asking dancers to wear white apparel and pearls Saturday night. I wore both!

Other highlights of the weekend were a late-night pool tip at the host hotel, a "last square standing" tip, and an excellent buffet brunch hosted at a favorite local restaurant in Byward Market. Another highlight was getting to dance with Jean, a sprightly octogenarian.

Veer North is a highly recommended weekend getaway, though most establishments are closed on Good Friday. On the return home, I made the obligatory stop at the duty-free shop in Prescott. Onta



Jim (in a marshmallow white outfit) dancing with Jean

obligatory stop at the duty-free shop in Prescott, Ontario, for many things maple, like Coureur des Bois whiskey. Luckily there was no issue crossing the border in either direction.

~ Jim Babcock (Times Squares)

Star Spangled Banner Festival: There was a rather large New Jersey contingent at the 60th Star Spangled Banner Festival held in Pikesville, Maryland (near Baltimore), from July 17-19. It was a fabulous weekend with great callers — Ken Burke, Bill Harrison, Ken Ritucci, Jet Roberts, and Mike Seastrom. For the round dancers, there was a dedicated hall with sessions up to Phase IV, plus teaches and workshops for most of each day.

The whole weekend offered Plus, A2, and C1 squares. On Saturday, there was also Mainstream. It was very enjoyable to watch the youth dancing — their energy and laughter were so uplifting and contagious. At the "die hard" session during the last hour, I watched Ed Crowley's grandson Anthony (age 9) dancing with the teenagers — they would lift him right off his feet on a swing! He danced his little heart out, always being in the correct spot.

Clogging and line dancing were also available for a limited time. There were workshops and intros at all levels. A "second hand rose" shop offered used square dance clothing. The festival covered just about everything the National Convention offers.

On Saturday morning, some participants were interviewed and shown dancing on local TV. A couple from Arkansas, in the area for a funeral, had been looking for places to dance on their travels and couldn't find any. Seeing us on TV, they drove over and joined us.

There were more than 300 dancers (including three squares of youth), and all events took place in the Doubletree by Hilton. It's about a three-hour drive from the NNJSDA area, and worth the trip. Will we see some of you there next year?

~ Donna Poyer (Kittatinny Rangers)

Tennessee State Convention: It was because of Ken Burke from Tennessee (a caller at last year's Mini-Festival) that a group of NNJSDA dancers traveled this summer to the 50th Tennessee State Convention in Gatlinburg. It was well worth the 11-hour drive!

There were more than 10 halls ranging from Social Square Dancing (SSD) through Challenge, including numerous slots in the Mainstream and Plus halls for fun squares and hot hash tips ... and not just once a day! Among the 108 callers in attendance were stars like Steve Kopman, Tony Oxendine, and Jet Roberts plus a host of local callers who were just as wonderful.

The 1,509 participants were (for the most part) terrific dancers, which made each tip a joy. The 39 youth dancers exhibited their usual exuberance. New

Jersey was represented by nine dancers: Susan and George Cerny, Ed Crowley, Joanna Lieuallen, Mary and Jim Stamets, Jan and Louis Thompson, and me. Sharon Trimble, a Pennsylvania caller, carpooled with some of us.

Many vendors offered square dance attire, footwear, jewelry, and more. There was also a "garage sale" of used square dance clothing sold at bargain prices. The convention center's food concessions were open all day long with tables where dancers could sit and visit. During one such break, Ed and I were talking to the people



(L-R) Mary Stamets, Jim Stamets, Susan Cerny, George Cerny, Donna Poyer, Ed Crowley

sitting at our table and learned that they had been on vacation with Don Coy, who formerly called at NNJSDA club events, and his wife, Dot. Afterward, they tried unsuccessfully to reach the Coys by phone. Ed promptly got his phone, called Don, and handed it to the couple across the table – a nice reunion!

On our trip back home, we stopped at a Buc-ee's for breakfast. What a place that is! Check it out online; among other attributes, the chain won a nationwide contest for the cleanest restrooms in America.

Consider attending next year – we are all signed up already.

~ Donna Poyer (Kittatinny Rangers)



(L-R) Donna Poyer, Ed Crowley, Joanna Lieuallen, Sharon Trimble

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Y SQUARES - 50 YEARS OF HISTORY

We are often asked why the club is called Y Squares. The seed for the club was planted in 1962 when the Westfield YMCA contacted Bob and Jean Kellogg to call for a series of three square dances. They had danced for many years, and taught and cued rounds for other clubs. Bob called, they both cued, and Jean did the organizing.

Many of the 45 couples attending the first series of dances wanted more. A class was offered, resulting in the formation of Y Squares in 1963, with 27 charter members. Following a year at the YMCA, dances were held in Westfield schools for three years. Then the club spent a decade moving to various schools in New Providence and Scotch Plains. Thanks to the support of the Board of Education, Y Squares has danced in Clark since 1976: at the Karl Kumpf School, from 1976 to 2000, and at the Frank K. Hehnly School, from 2000 to the present.

Like many back then, Y Squares was a caller-run club, led by the Kelloggs until Bob's death in 1979. Dick Jones and Mike Foley shared the calling for two years, and then Mike continued until poor health forced his retirement in 1987. Brian Fugere was club caller from 1988 until his death in 1997. Dan Koft became our principal caller in 1997, sharing the duties with many other fine callers.

Jean Kellogg continued to cue after Bob's death, later sharing the schedule with Peg Tristram, Karen Kushla, and Kathy Koft. Now Mary Pickett cues most dances.

Y Squares is a Mainstream club, with one Plus tip added in 2001. A few years later, it was decided to alternate Mainstream and Plus because most of our members danced Plus. Like many clubs, our membership dwindled – from 127 in 1992 to 30-some today. In 2011, Y Squares decided to return to a format of all Mainstream with one Plus tip. It was also decided to move from Friday to Thursday night because the nearest club, Bee Sharps, danced the same night.

Dan Koft was awarded a callers' school scholarship from the club's Bob Kellogg Memorial Fund. (Previous recipients were Bill Heyman and Bill Anderson.) Dan has taught the Y Squares class for many years. The last few classes have produced some quality members who have moved into leadership positions and are of great value to Y Squares. This year's class is large, and we hope to graduate more members. In accordance with Y Squares tradition, all dancers, including new graduates, are welcome. Our outstanding callers prove that dancing any program can be fun.

One of our strengths is the dynamic participation of our membership. Active members who serve the club and the square dance community help to keep us vibrant. "We dance for fun" is the Y Squares motto. Please join us to share in the fun.

~ George and Barbara Kuhne, Presidents, Y Squares (adapted from a 2003 article by Florence and Hal Margo)

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A=Advanced; C=Challenge; MS=Mainstream; PL=Plus; RD=Rounds, TBA=To Be Announced; *italics*=student-level MS or intro/dance party

Date	Club	Caller/Cuer	Location	Program
		SEPTEMBER	·	
4 Th	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL/A
5 F	Circle Eights	Wadel	Hillsdale	Intro
5 F	Middletown Ramblers	Rabe & Moore	Leonardo	MS/PL
	Reelers	Franks/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
7 Su	Motiv8ors	Franks	Fair Lawn	A/C
	Rutgers Promenaders	Koft/Koft	Dayton	MS/RD
8 M	Lakeland Squares	Richman	Towaco	MS/PL
9 Tu	Reelers	Rabe & Moore	Randolph	Intro
11 Th	Times Squares	Weiner	New York, NY	MS/PL/A
	Y Squares	Sikorsky/Pickett	Clark	MS/PL/RD
12 F	Bee Sharps	Franks/Pickett	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	Crowley	Stanhope	MS
	Middletown Ramblers	Engimann	Leonardo	MS/PL
	RocklandRockytops	Wadel	Congers, NY	MS/PL
14 Su	Circle Eights	Rabe & Moore	Maywood	MS/PL
	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Moody	Flemington	Intro
16 Tu	Reelers	Ed Crowley	Randolph	Intro
17 W	Belles & Beaux	Shipman	Maywood	MS/PL
18 Th	Times Squares	Hodge (remote)	New York, NY	MS/PL/A
19 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Bragg	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Franks	Leonardo	MS/PL
	Reelers	Goss/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
21 Su	Rutgers Promenaders	Koft/Koft	Dayton	Intro
22 M	Lakeland Squares	P. Ingis	Towaco	MS/PL
25 Th	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL/A
26 F	Bee Sharps	Gotta/Gotta	Bridgewater	MS/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	Bragg	Stanhope	MS
	Middletown Ramblers	Richman	Leonardo	Intro
	RocklandRockytops	Corey	Congers, NY	MS/PL
27 Sa	Times Squares	Franks	New York, NY	MS/PL/A/C
28 Su	Circle Eights	Harrison	Paterson	MS/PL
	Motiv8ors	Gotta	Fair Lawn	A/C
		OCTOBER		
3 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Moody	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Gotta	Leonardo	MS/PL
	Reelers	Richman/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
5 Su	Motiv8ors	Rabe & Moore	Fair Lawn	A/C
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gotta/Gotta	Dayton	MS/RD
9 Th	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL/A

CALENDAR MEMBER CLUBS' ADVERTISED DANCES				
Date	Club	Caller/Cuer	Location	Program
		OCTOBER	•	•
10 F	Bee Sharps	Emory/Bradt	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	TBA	Stanhope	MS
	Middletown Ramblers	Clewell	Leonardo	MS/PL
	RocklandRockytops	Gotta	Congers, NY	MS/PL
11 Sa	NNJSDA Dance	Engimann/Pickett	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD
12 Su	Circle Eights	Gotta	Maywood	MS/PL
13 M	Lakeland Squares	Gotta	Towaco	MS/PL
15 W	Belles & Beaux	P. Ingis	Maywood	MS/PL
16 Th	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL/A
1 <i>7</i> F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Richman	Bridgewater	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Franks	Leonardo	MS/PL
	Reelers	Rabe & Moore/ Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
19 Su	Motiv8ors	Engimann	Fair Lawn	A/C
19 Su	Rutgers Promenaders	Koft/Koft	Dayton	MS/RD
23 Th	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL/A
24 F	Bee Sharps	Richman/Pickett	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	TBA	Stanhope	MS
	Middletown Ramblers	Rabe & Moore	Leonardo	MS/PL
	RocklandRockytops	Longobucco	Congers, NY	MS/PL
25 Sa	Times Squares	Burke & Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL/A/C
27 M	Lakeland Squares	Rabe & Moore	Towaco	MS/PL
30 Th	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL/A
31 F	Middletown Ramblers	Richman	Leonardo	MS/PL
		NOVEMBER		,
2 Su	Rutgers Promenaders	Gotta/Gotta	Dayton	MS/RD
5 W	Belles & Beaux	S. Ingis	Maywood	MS/PL
6 Th	Times Squares	Richman	New York, NY	Intro
7 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Franks	Bridgewater	MS/PL
9 Su	NNJSDA Mini-Festival	Oxendine, Emory, Franks/Pickett	ТВА	MS/PL/A/ C1/RD
10 M	Lakeland Squares	Richman	Towaco	MS/PL
11 T	Times Squares	McAtee	New York, NY	MS/PL/A
13 Th	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL/A
14 F	Bee Sharps	Rabe & Moore/ Bradt	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	Hamish	Stanhope	MS
	Middletown Ramblers	Richman	Leonardo	MS/PL
	RocklandRockytops	Foote	Congers, NY	MS/PL
16 Su	Motiv8ors	Foote	Fair Lawn	A/C
	Rutgers Promenaders	Koft/Koft	Dayton	MS/RD
18 T	Times Squares	Richman	New York, NY	MS/PL/A
19 W	Belles & Beaux	Bragg	Maywood	MS/PL
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Date	Club	Caller/Cuer	Location	Program	
		NOVEMBER	•		
20 Th	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL/A	
21 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Moody	Flemington	MS/PL	
	Middletown Ramblers	Richman	Leonardo	MS/PL	
	Reelers	Lizotte/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD	
22 Sa	Times Squares	Lizotte	New York, NY	MS/PL/A/C	
23 Su	Circle Eights	Richman	Maywood	MS/PL	
24 M	Lakeland Squares	S. Ingis	Towaco	MS/PL	
25 T	Times Squares	Richman	New York, NY	MS/PL/A	
28 F	RocklandRockytops	P. Ingis	Hillsdale	MS/PL	
30 Su	Motiv8ors	Gotta	Fair Lawn	A/C	
		DECEMBER			
2 T	Times Squares	Richman	New York, NY	Intro	
3 W	Belles & Beaux	Franks	Maywood	MS/PL	
4 Th	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL/A	
5 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Rabe & Moore	Flemington	MS/PL	
	Middletown Ramblers	Richman	Leonardo	MS/PL	
	Reelers	Kauffman/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD	
7 Su	Motiv8ors	Engimann	Fair Lawn	A/C	
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas & Kofts	Dayton	MS/RD	
8 M	Lakeland Squares	Rabe & Moore	Towaco	MS/PL	
9 T	Times Squares	Richman	New York, NY	MS/PL/A	
11 Th	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL/A	
12 F	Bee Sharps	Richman/Bradt	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD	
	Kittatinny Rangers	Kauffman	Stanhope	MS	
	Middletown Ramblers	Gotta	Leonardo	MS/PL	
	RocklandRockytops	Corey	Congers, NY	MS/PL	
14 Su	Circle Eights	Rabe & Moore	Maywood	MS/PL	
17 W	Belles & Beaux	Wadel	Maywood	Student Level	
18 Th	Times Squares	Hodge (remote)	New York, NY	MS/PL/A	
19 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Bragg	Flemington	MS/PL	
	Middletown Ramblers	Franks	Leonardo	MS/PL	
20.5	Reelers	P. Ingis/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD	
20 Sa	Times Squares	McAtee (remote)	New York, NY	MS/PL/A/C	
21 Su	Motiv8ors	Rabe & Moore	Fair Lawn	A/C	
22.44	Rutgers Promenaders	Gotta/Gotta	Dayton	MS/RD	
22 M 26 F	Lakeland Squares Times Squares	Richman	Towaco	MS/PL	
20 F 27 Sa	Bee Sharps	Richman Rabe & Moore	New York, NY Bridgewater	MS/PL/A MS/PL	
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4 Su	Motiv8ors	Franks	Fair Lawn	A/C	
4 T	Rutgers Promenaders	Gotta/Gotta	Dayton	MS/RD	
6 T	Times Squares	Richman	New York, NY	Intro	
7 W	Belles & Beaux	P. Ingis	Maywood	MS/PL	

	CALENDAR MEMBER CLUBS' ADVERTISED DANCES			
Date	Club	Caller/Cuer	Location	Program
		JANUARY	-1	
9 F	Bee Sharps	Gotta/Gotta	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	TBA	Stanhope	MS
	Middletown Ramblers	Kauffman	Leonardo	MS/PL
	RocklandRockytops	Richman	Congers, NY	MS/PL
11 Su	Circle Eights	P. Ingis	Maywood	MS/PL
12 M	Lakeland Squares	Wadel	Towaco	MS/PL
16 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Engimann	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	P. Ingis	Leonardo	MS/PL
	Reelers	Corey/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
18 Su	Rabe & Moore	Gotta	Fair Lawn	A/C
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gotta/Gotta	Dayton	MS/RD
21 W	Belles & Beaux	Clewell	Maywood	MS/PL
23 F	Bee Sharps	Kauffman/Pickett	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	Bragg	Stanhope	MS
	Middletown Ramblers	Gotta	Leonardo	MS/PL
	RocklandRockytops	S. Ingis	Congers, NY	MS/PL
24 Sa	Times Squares	Franks	New York, NY	MS/PL/A/C
25 Su	NNJSDA Dance	Class Instructors	Bridgewater	MS
26 M	Lakeland Squares	Rabe & Moore	Towaco	MS/PL
30 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Moody	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Richman	Leonardo	MS/PL
		FEBRUARY	<u>.</u>	,
1 Su	Motiv8ors	Engimann	Fair Lawn	A/C
	Rutgers Promenaders	Koft/Koft	Dayton	MS/RD
4 W	Belles & Beaux	S. Ingis	Maywood	MS/PL
6 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Richman	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Franks	Leonardo	MS/PL
	Reelers	Black/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
8 Su	Circle Eights	Wadel	Maywood	Student Level
9 M	Lakeland Squares	Richman	Towaco	MS/PL
13 F	Bee Sharps	Franks/Pickett	Bridgewater	PL/A/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	Kauffman	Stanhope	MS
	Middletown Ramblers	Gotta	Leonardo	MS/PL
	RocklandRockytops	Wadel	Congers, NY	Student Level
15 Su	Motiv8ors	Rabe & Moore	Fair Lawn	A/C
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gotta/Gotta	Dayton	MS/RD
18 W	Belles & Beaux	Weiner	Maywood	MS/PL
20 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Bragg	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Richman	Leonardo	MS/PL
	Reelers	Engimann/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
21 Sa	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL/A/C
23 M	Lakeland Squares	Gotta	Towaco	MS/PL
27 F	Bee Sharps	Koft/Koft	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD

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	FEBRUARY					
27 F	Kittatinny Rangers	Richman	Stanhope	MS		
	Middletown Ramblers	Kauffman	Leonardo	MS/PL		
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1 Su	Motiv8ors	Engimann	Fair Lawn	A/C		
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gotta/Gotta	Dayton	MS/RD		
4 W	Belles & Beaux	Rabe & Moore	Maywood	MS/PL		
6 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Franks	Flemington	MS/PL		
	Middletown Ramblers	Gotta	Leonardo	MS/PL		
	Reelers	Koft/Koft	Randolph	PL/RD		
8 Su	Circle Eights	Richman	Maywood	MS/PL		
9 M	Lakeland Squares	S. Ingis	Towaco	MS/PL		
13 F	Bee Sharps	Richman/Bradt	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD		
101	Kittatinny Rangers	TBA	Stanhope	MS		
	Middletown Ramblers	Kauffman	Leonardo	MS/PL		
	RocklandRockytops	Longobucco	Congers, NY	MS/PL		
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14 Sa	NNJSDA Dance	Denniston, McCabe	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD		
15 Su	Rutgers Promenaders	Koft/Koft	Dayton	MS/RD		
18 W	Belles & Beaux	Bragg	Maywood	MS/PL		
20 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Gotta	Flemington	MS/PL		
	Middletown Ramblers	Richman	Leonardo	MS/PL		
	Reelers	Bragg/Pickett	Randolph	Student Level		
22 Su	Motiv8ors	Gotta	Fair Lawn	A/C		
23 M	Lakeland Squares	Wadel	Towaco	MS/PL		
27 F	Bee Sharps	Engimann/Pickett	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD		
	Kittatinny Rangers	Trimble	Stanhope	MS		
	Middletown Ramblers	Kauffman	Leonardo	MS/PL		
	RocklandRockytops	Emory	Congers, NY	MS/PL		
28 Sa	Times Squares	Richman	New York, NY	MS/PL/A/C		
29 Su	Rutgers Promenaders	Koft/Koft	Dayton	MS/RD		
30 M	Lakeland Squares	Richman	Towaco	Intro		
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10 F	Bee Sharps	Bragg/Bradt	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD		
	Kittatinny Rangers	TBA	Stanhope	MS		
	Middletown Ramblers	Gotta	Leonardo	MS/PL		
	RocklandRockytops	Richman	Congers, NY	MS/PL		
12 Su	Circle Eights	Franks	Maywood	MS/PL		
13 M	Lakeland Squares	Gotta	Towaco	MS/PL		
15 W	Belles & Beaux	Shipman	Maywood	MS/PL		
17 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Moody	Flemington	MS/PL		
	Middletown Ramblers	Franks	Leonardo	MS/PL		
	Reelers	Goss/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD		
19 Su	Motiv8ors	Engimann	Fair Lawn	A/C		
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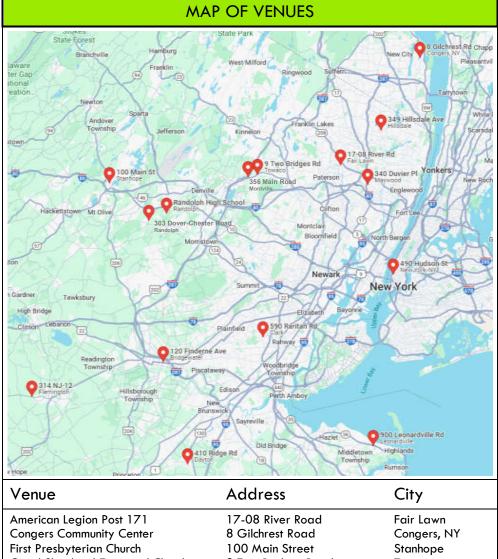
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Date	Club	Caller/Cuer	Location	Program
		APRIL		
19 Su	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas & Kofts	Dayton	MS/RD
24 F	Bee Sharps	Gotta/Gotta	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	Kauffman	Stanhope	MS
	Middletown Ramblers	Richman	Leonardo	MS/PL
24 F	RocklandRockytops	Franks	Congers, NY	MS/PL
25 Sa	Times Squares	Franks	New York, NY	MS/PL/A/C
26 Su	Motiv8ors	Gotta	Fair Lawn	A/C
	NNJSDA Dance	Corey/Bradt	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD
27 M	Lakeland Squares	Rabe & Moore	Towaco	MS/PL
		MAY		
1 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Richman	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Franks	Leonardo	MS/PL
	Reelers	Foote/Pickett	Randolph	PL/RD
3 Su	Circle Eights	Weiner	Maywood	MS/PL
	Rutgers Promenaders	Koft/Koft	Dayton	MS/RD
6 W	Belles & Beaux	Richman	Maywood	MS/PL
7 Th	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL/A
8 F	Bee Sharps	Richman/Bradt	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	TBA	Stanhope	MS
	Middletown Ramblers	Gotta	Leonardo	MS/PL
	RocklandRockytops	Foote	Congers, NY	MS/PL
11 M	Lakeland Squares	Franks	Towaco	MS/PL
14 Th	Times Squares	Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL/A
1 <i>5</i> F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Bragg	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Kauffman	Leonardo	MS/PL
	Reelers	Franks	Randolph	PL/RD
16 Sa	NNJSDA Dance	Williamson/Pickett	Bridgewater	MS/PL/RD
1 <i>7</i> Su	Motiv8ors	Franks	Fair Lawn	A/C
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gotta/Gotta	Dayton	MS/RD
18 M	Lakeland Squares	Richman	Towaco	Intro
20 W	Belles & Beaux	Gotta	Maywood	MS/PL
21 Th	Times Squares	Franks	New York, NY	MS/PL/A
22 F	Bee Sharps	P. Ingis, S. Ingis	Bridgewater	MS/PL
	Kittatinny Rangers	Richman	Stanhope	MS /BI
	Middletown Ramblers	Rabe & Moore	Leonardo	MS/PL
00.7	RocklandRockytops	Gittelman	Congers, NY	MS/PL
28 Th	Times Squares	Hodge	New York, NY	MS/PL/A
29 F	Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Rabe & Moore	Flemington	MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Richman	Leonardo	MS/PL
	Reelers	Gotta	Randolph	Intro
30 Sa	Times Squares	Hodge	New York, NY	MS/PL/A/C
31 Su	Motiv8ors	Gotta	Fair Lawn	A/C

	CONVENTIONS, FESTIVALS, SPECIALS, WEEKENDS					
Date	Event	Caller/Cuer	Location	Program		
	SEPTEMBER					
5-7	GSSDCA	Engel	Newmanstown, PA	MS/PL		
		OCTOBER				
3-5	Cherry Ridge Weekend	Bragg, Engimann	Honesdale, PA	PL		
25 Sa	Peel the Pumpkin	Burke, Gotta	New York, NY	MS/PL/A/C		
		NOVEMBER				
7-9	Harvest Festival Hoedown	Engimann, Forrester, Kellogg	Harrisburg, PA	MS/PL/A/C		
8 Sa	CCNJ Caller Workshop	Oxendine	Bridgewater			
9 Su	NNJSDA Mini-Festival	Oxendine, Emory, Franks/Pickett	ТВА	MS/PL/A/ C1/RD		
		FEBRUARY				
22 Su	Midwinter Mania	CCNJ Callers	Bridgewater	Student MS		
26-28	WASCA	Multiple	Washington, DC	All Programs		
		MAY				
9 Sa	Wheel Around NJ 3	Koft	Chatham	MS/PL/A		
		JUNE				
5-7	Cherry Ridge Weekend	Franks	Honesdale, PA	PL		
12-14	GSSDCA	Black	Shartlesville, PA	MS/PL		
24-27	National Convention	Multiple Callers/ Cuers	Waco, TX	All Programs		
	JULY					
1-5	IAGSDC Convention	Multiple	Montreal, QC	All Programs		
1 <i>7</i> -19	GSSDCA	Engel	Shartlesville, PA	MS/PL		
		AUGUST				
14-16	GSSDCA	Franks	Shartlesville, PA	MS/PL		

CLEARANCE FOR SPECIAL DANCES AND EVENTS

If your club plans to hold a dance event outside its regular dance program, location, day, or time, you must request clearance from the NNJSDA. This helps to avoid conflicts. Please contact the corresponding secretary for guidance. For details, see the NNJSDA Constitution and Bylaws, section 14, page 4.

2025-26	CLASSES MA	INSTREAM	
nnjsda.or	g/member_clubs_	lessons.php	
Because changes may occur, contact o	CC = Class Coordinate		er details.
	SUNDAY		
Rutgers Promenaders – Betsy Go	otta/Dan Koft	Starting: Sept. 7	1:30-2:30
Pioneer Grange #1, 410 Ridge R	oad, Dayton		
CC Ginny Platania	732-690-5280	jgplatania@comcast.ne	et
	MONDAY		
Lakeland Squares – Fran Wadel		Starting: Sept. 15	6:30-9:00
Good Shepherd Episcopal Church	, 9 Two Bridges Road		
CC Kathy Keener	973-229-0698	lakelandsquares@hotm	ail.com
	TUESDAY		
Circle Eights – Fran Wadel		Starting: Sept. 16	7:00-9:00
Hillsdale United Methodist Church	, 349 Hillsdale Avenu	ue, Hillsdale	
CC Alicia & David Weschler	201-926-5000	aweschler@gmail.com	
Hunterdon Flutterwheels – Mary	Moody	Starting: Sept. 17	7:00-9:00
Hunterdon County Senior Center A	Auditorium, 4 Gauntt	Place, Flemington	
CC Regina DeStefano, Sharon S	Stevens	fw-lessons@nnjsda.org	
Middletown Ramblers – Larry Sh	erwood	Starting: Sept. 30	7:00-9:15
Henry Hudson Activity Center, Rou	ite 36 North & Avenu	ue D, Atlantic Highlands	
CC Beverly Yackel	732-747-8505	bevyackel@gmail.com	
Reelers – Ed Crowley		Starting: Sept. 30	6:30-8:30
Ironia Elementary School, 303 Do	ver-Chester Road. Ro	ındolph	
CC Donald Lane		dblane43@gmail.com	
Times Squares — Howard Richma	n	Starting: Jan. 13	6:30-9:00
Public School 3, 490 Hudson Stree	et, New York, NY		
CC Kim Norland	347-581-3228	krnorland@hotmail.com	n
	THURSDAY		
Bee Sharps – Karin Rabe and Gr	eg Moore	Starting: Oct. 2	7:00-9:00
Adamsville School, 400 Union Ave	enue (Route 28), Bridg	gewater	
CC Heidi Garcia, Lauren Haas		beesharpssquaredance(@gmail.com
Belles & Beaux – Fran Wadel		Starting: Sept. 4	7:15-9:30
Glen Rock Central School; 600 M	aple Avenue, Glen Ro	ock	
CC Richard Ball	973-725-9738	rebtama@gmail.com	
Kittatinny Rangers – Ed Crowley		Starting: Sept. 18	7:00-9:00
Halsted Middle School, 59 Halste	d Street, Newton		
CC Karen Hartman	973-383-9430	hartmank70@gmail.co	om



venue	Address	City
American Legion Post 171	17-08 River Road	Fair Lawn
Congers Community Center	8 Gilchrest Road	Congers, NY
First Presbyterian Church	100 Main Street	Stanhope
Good Shepherd Episcopal Church	9 Two Bridges Road	Towaco
Hehnly Elementary School	590 Raritan Road	Clark
Hillsdale United Methodist Church	349 Hillsdale Avenue	Hillsdale
Hunterdon County Complex, Building 1	314 State Route 12	Flemington
Ironia Elementary School	303 Dover-Chester Road	Randolph
Maywood Recreation Center	340 Duvier Place	Maywood
Middletown Senior Center	900 Leonardville Road	Leonardo
Montville Senior House	356 Main Road	Montville
PeopleCare Center	120 Finderne Avenue	Bridgewater
Pioneer Grange	410 Ridge Road	Dayton
Public School 3	490 Hudson Street	New York, NY
Randolph High School	511 Millbrook Avenue	Randolph

	NNJ	SDA MEMBER	R CLUBS
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		MAINSTREA	M
Sunday	1, 3, 5 SeptJune		
Rutgers F	Promenaders*	Dayton	rutgerspromenaders.org
Friday	2, 4 SeptMay		
Kittatinn	y Rangers	Stanhope	kittatinnyrangers.com
	IIAM	VSTREAM + F	PLUS TIP
Wednesday	1, 3 All Year		
Belles &	Beaux	Maywood	sqrdance.org/BellesBeaux
	Μ	AINSTREAM/	PLUS
Sunday	Various SeptJune		
Circle Eiç	ghts	Maywood	circle8s.nnjsda.org
Monday	2, 4 SeptJuly		
Lakeland	l Squares	Towaco	lakelandsquares.wixsite.com/lakeland
Friday	1, 3 SeptJune		
Hunterdo	on Flutterwheels	Flemington	hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjsda.org
Friday	Every Week All Ye	ear	
Middleto	own Ramblers	Leonardo	middletownramblers.org
Friday	2, 4 All Year		
Rockland	lRockytops	Congers, NY	sqrdance.org/RocklandRockytops
	MAINSTREA	AM/PLUS + A	ADVANCED TIP
Friday	2, 4 SeptJune		
Bee Shai	rps*	Bridgewater	beesharps.org
	MAINST	REAM/PLUS/	ADVANCED
Thursday	Every Week All Ye	ear	
Times Sq	uares	New York, NY	timessquares.nyc
		PLUS	
Friday	1, 3 SeptJune		
Reelers*		Randolph	reelers.nnjsda.org
	ADV	ANCED/CHA	LLENGE
Sunday	Various All Year	•	
Motiv8or	rs .	Fair Lawn	motiv8ors.nnjsda.org

*Round Dancing (alternating or additional)