

# SW-SDAW Tips & Cues



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### 75th National Square Dance Convention<sup>®</sup>



**June 24-27 2026**  
**DIAMOND JUBILEE**

*Winter 2025: December, January, February*

## State Conventions & National Conventions

### State Conventions

Minnesota: June 12-14, 2026, Rochester, MN

Illinois: July 24-26, 2026, Rock Island, IL

Michigan: August 20-22, 2026, Grand Rapids, MI

Indiana: November 7-9, 2025, French Lick, IN

**Wisconsin: August 7-9, 2026, Brookfield, WI**

**Wisconsin: August 13-15, 2027, Stevens Point, WI**

### National Conventions

68th NSDCA International Camporee, Bellville, TX

June 17-19, 2026

75th: Waco, TX, June 24-27, 2026

76th: Loveland, CO June 23-26, 2027

77th: Daytona Beach, June 28-July 1, 2028

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INFORMATION & REGISTRATION  
[wisquairedanceconvention.org](http://wisquairedanceconvention.org)



Sheraton Hotel & Conference Center  
Brookfield, WI  
ALL UNDER ONE ROOF

**66<sup>TH</sup> WISCONSIN  
SQUARE & ROUND DANCE  
Convention**

**AUGUST 7-8-9, 2026**

GET YOUR KICKS IN 2026



Special Guest Caller  
DEE DEE DOUGHERTY-LOTTIE

## From the Tips and Cues Editor:

The content of this publication can only be as good as what I receive from your club. Please have your dance flyers, schedules, and ads submitted by the deadlines.

*Spring Issue Months:*  
March, April, May

**Copy Deadline:**  
**January 10, 2026**

Submit to:  
[tipsandcues1@gmail.com](mailto:tipsandcues1@gmail.com)

**Check websites or Club Contact for Times & Locations.**

**Happy Dancing!**

**Badger Rovers**



NSDCA Chapter #031  
www.badgerrovers.com

Contact: Stephanie Esser  
608-576-0624 or stephesser@tds.net

February 28, 2026 Winter Potluck and Annual meeting at Tom & Kathy Nickel, 4301 Hilltop Circle., Middleton, WI  
Arrive at 5:00pm, Dinner 6:00pm

May 15-17 **Derge County Park**  
N8379 County Road, Beaver Dam, WI

June 12-14 **Buffalo Lake Camping Resort**, 555 Lake Ave., Montello, WI  
608-297-2915

June 17-19 **68th NSDCA International Camporee** Bellville, TX (see flyer)

September 11-13 **Token Creek County Park**, Deforest WI, 608 224-3730; online: https://www.countyofdane.com/lwrp/parks/token\_creek.aspx

**Everyone is Welcome to join us!**  
**Potluck dinner at 5:30 on Saturday evening with dance to follow.**



**Tuesday Square Dances**

**Swingin' Beavers**

2nd & 4th Tuesdays  
5th Tuesday - Plus



Community Care  
405 West Third St., Beaver Dam  
Enter through double doors at the back of building. Park on the blacktop play area  
Early Rounds at 7:00  
7:30-9:30 pm

Contacts: Bob & Bonnie Sweeney  
920-386-2951  
bobsween@yahoo.com or  
Tom Nickel 608-831-0341  
tenickel@chorus.net  
www.swinginbeavers.com

November 25 Dave Crowley/Ray Steinich  
December 9 Tom & Kathy Nickel  
December 30 Tom & Kathy Nickel **Plus**  
January 13 Tom & Kathy Nickel  
January 27 Dave Crowley/Ray Steinich  
February 10 Tom & Kathy Nickel  
February 24 Mike Seurer  
March 10 Tom & Kathy Nickel  
March 24 Don & Doug Sprosty  
March 31 Tom & Kathy Nickel **Plus**

**Tuesday Round Dances**

**Dancing Shadows**

1st & 3rd Tuesday  
Phase 2 Rounds



All Dancers Welcome  
4301 Hilltop Circle  
Middleton, WI 7:30-9:00pm  
Kathy Nickel, Cuer  
608-831-0341, tenickel@chorus.net

November 4, 18 December 2  
December 16 Christmas Party  
January 6, 20  
February 3 Celebrate My B-day  
February 17

**Sunday Round Dances**

**Friendship Rounds**

Most Sunday evenings  
Phase 3 lessons at 5:30,  
Phase 2-4 dance 7-9:00

Phase 2 lessons, *Thursdays*  
7:30-9:00 Starting September 18th

The Garden Room in The Castle,  
501 Prospect St, Beloit, WI  
Peggy Weisensel Chavey, Cuer  
Contact Peggy for dance information  
608-201-3529 or  
beloitdancers@gmail.com



## Dancing Shadows

### Phase II

## Round Dances

**1st & 3rd TUESDAYS of the Month**  
**7:30pm – 9:00pm**

**Location:** *Kathy & Tom Nickel's*  
*4301 Hilltop Cir., Middleton WI*

**Cuers:** *Kathy & Tom Nickel*

**Contact:** 608-831-0341 [tenickel@chorus.net](mailto:tenickel@chorus.net)



COME JOIN THE FUN AT

## WESTPORT PLUS

**PLUS Level**

**SQUARE DANCING**  
with ROUNDS

**2<sup>nd</sup> FRIDAYS of the Month!!!**  
**7:00 – 9:30pm**

**Lakeview Lutheran Church**  
4001 Mandrake – Madison, WI

Caller : Tom Nickel  
Cuer: Kathy Nickel  
[tenickel@chorus.net](mailto:tenickel@chorus.net)

### WINTER DANCE SCHEDULE

Call to check schedule before attending

- **November 4<sup>th</sup>, November 18<sup>th</sup>**
- **December 2<sup>nd</sup>**
- **December 16<sup>th</sup>, Christmas Party** 🎄
- **January 6<sup>th</sup>, January 20<sup>th</sup>**
- **February 3<sup>rd</sup>, Celebrate My B-day** 🎉
- **February 17<sup>th</sup>**

### WINTER DANCE SCHEDULE

2025

November 14<sup>th</sup>

December 12<sup>th</sup>

2026

January 9<sup>th</sup>

February 13<sup>th</sup>



**Friday Square Dances**



**Westport Squares**  
 1st, 3rd & 5th Fridays  
[www.westportsquares.com](http://www.westportsquares.com)  
 or Eldon & Virginia Boehm  
 608-535-9461

7:00-9:30  
 Lakeview Lutheran Church  
 4001 Mandrake Rd., Madison 53704

November 7 Curt Braffet/Ray Steinich  
**Food Pantry**

November 21 Dominic Gruetzmacher  
 December 5 Dave Crowley/Ray  
 Steinich **Red Cross** \*\*\*

December 19 Myron Hollatz  
**January 2** Tom & Kathy Nickel  
**New Years Eve Ball,**  
**Its All in Black & White**

January 16 Wayne Irwin  
 January 30 John Harden/Ray Steinich  
**Frosty Ball**

February 6 Dominic Gruetzmacher  
 February 15 Don & Doug Sprosty  
**Sweetheart Dance (See flyer)**

February 20 Tom & Kathy Nickel  
 March 6 Dave Crowley  
 March 20 Mike Seurer

\*\*\*Club Meeting after dance

**Note: Check our website for updates on Times and Location.**

**Please note: The annual New Dancer Christmas party planned for Sunday, December 7, 2025 has been canceled.**

**Saturday Square Dances**

**Petunia City Squares**

2nd & 4th Saturdays Mainstream

7:00 Pre-rounds on select dates\*  
 7:30-9:30 Square Dance



Peoples Church  
 340 W. Grand Ave.  
 Beloit, WI 53511

[petuniacitysquares@gmail.com](mailto:petuniacitysquares@gmail.com)  
 Facebook:

[www.squaredance4life.com/petuniacity/](http://www.squaredance4life.com/petuniacity/)  
 or call: 608-713-1895  
 Night of Dance: 815-298-7087

November 22 Don & Doug Sprosty\*  
 December 13 Tom & Kathy Nickel\*  
 January 10 John Harden/  
 Peggy Chavey\*  
 January 24 Dave Crowley  
 February 14 Don & Doug Sprosty\*  
 February 28 Myron Hollatz\*  
 March 14 Tom Manning/  
 Peggy Chavey\*  
 March 28 Dave Crowley

**Westport Squares Plus**

2nd Fridays **7:00-9:30pm**

Lakeview Lutheran Church (LV)  
 4001 Mandrake Rd.,  
 Madison 53704

Caller: Tom Nickel  
 Cuer: Kathy Nickel  
 608-831-0341  
[tenickel@chorus.net](mailto:tenickel@chorus.net)

November 14 December 12  
 January 9 February 13



**SW-SDAW Meeting**

Visitors are always welcome.  
 Please attend the meeting and see what the SW-SDAW area is about and how we work to promote square dancing in our area and the state.

Next Meeting Date:  
**Monday, February 2, 2026**

Time: 7:00pm

**In Person Location:**  
 United Methodist Church of  
 Sun Prairie,  
 702 North Street,  
 Sun Prairie WI 53590

[www.swsdaw.com](http://www.swsdaw.com)

Meetings for May, August &  
 November are in person.  
 Note: Meeting for February will be on Zoom.

# NSDCA

## 68<sup>th</sup> International Camporee

# Ridin' High & Headin' West

## June 17, 18 & 19, 2026

for a Wild Western Square Dance Party

## The Coushatta Recreation Ranch

4029 Clay Ranch Ln. Bellville, Texas 77418

## Three Full Days of Camping and Dancin' Fun

(Three nights of camping included in the registration fee.)

"Squares, Rounds, & Lines + Games & Workshops"

Registration forms are online at...

# NSDCA.ORG

Camporee Treasurer:  
 Susan Wolford  
 256-673-0170  
 E-mail  
[68th.nsdca@gmail.com](mailto:68th.nsdca@gmail.com)  
 Hosted by  
 NSDCA BOD

With the 75th NSDC  
 being in Waco, Texas  
 June 25, 26 & 27.  
 Make your plans now to  
 enjoy our 'Wild West'  
 Camporee on your way.

Bar-B-Que's  
 'Boot Stompin'-Dancin'  
 on a Texas Ranch

yahoo!



**CHRISTMAS ROUND DANCE**

**DANCING SHADOWS & PRISON CITY ROUNDS**



Phase II, III, IV

CHA CHA

FOXTROT

With  
**Kathy & Tom Nickel**  
**Ray & Georgine Steinich**  
& Guest Cuers

TWO STEP

WALTZ

RUMBA

*Continuous Dancing*

**Tuesday Evening**  
**November 18, 2025**

**6:00 to 9:00 PM**

**Trinity Church-United Methodist**  
**308 Oneida St, Beaver Dam, WI 53916**

*Bring Treats to Share*

**FREE DANCE**

WATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION TO COME

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**Tuesday, November 18, 2025**



Westport Squares  
**Sweetheart Dance**

**Sunday, February 15, 2026**

**Doug & Don Sprosty**

Calling & Cueing

**1:00-3:30pm**

**\$10.00 Adult/\$5.00 Youth**

Lakeview  
Lutheran Church

4001 Mandrake Rd., Madison WI

[www.westportsquares.com](http://www.westportsquares.com)  
[www.facebook.com/westportsquares](http://www.facebook.com/westportsquares)  
608-535-9461  
Celebrating 71 years of dancing



**Let's Celebrate!**

Wear your Red, White & Blue in honor of our Nation's 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday during a special event Friday, June 26, 2026 at 6:30 pm!

The NSDC's Diamond Jubilee coincides with America's 250th Birthday! Help us mark these important milestones.

75<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention<sup>®</sup>  
June 24-27, 2026 • Waco Convention Center  
Register for the NSDC at <https://75nsdctx.com>

**Leaves are Falling, Waco is Calling!**

Register today for the **75<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention<sup>®</sup>**  
Sign up at <https://75nsdctx.com/register/>

Want the latest news and events fast? Scan the QR Code for our Facebook page

Celebrate the NSDC's Diamond Jubilee with us  
**June 24-27, 2026**  
Waco Convention Center