

# GRAPEVINE

Volume 114

Yellowstone Square Dance Council

Summer 2023



**Class of '22 and earlier:  
It's not too late!  
Dance with folks  
from all over  
Montana, and  
probably from  
beyond, too!  
Go to our  
website for  
complete  
information.  
If you haven't  
decided yet, no  
problem!  
Pre-registration  
is available, but  
you can also just  
pay at the door.  
Can't spare  
three days? Again  
no problem,  
just come for  
one or two.**

## 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Montana State Square & Round Dance Festival

May 26–29, 2023

“Shake it  
Loose at the  
Moose”



See you in Great Falls at the  
Moose Lodge  
401 21<sup>st</sup> St.  
Black Eagle, MT 59414

Questions: Contact Joann Yates  
at (406) 799-1071

## Something For Everyone!

### 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Magic City Hoedown



Friday – May 5, 2023  
Saturday – May 6, 2023  
Metra Park, Cedar Hall  
Billings, Montana

**Bill Henke**

Rounds cued by

**Larry & Susan Sperry**

Sponsored by the  
Yellowstone Square Dance Council

#### Schedule

##### Friday – May 5, 2023

7:15 p.m. Round Dance (Pre-rounds)  
8:00 – 10:00 p.m. Mainstream Square Dance  
w/Announced Plus Tips & Rounds

##### Saturday – May 6, 2023

10:00 – 11:30 a.m. Plus Dance  
1:00 – 2:30 p.m. Round Dance Workshop  
2:30 – 4:00 p.m. Beginner Square Dance  
7:15 p.m. Round Dance (Pre-rounds)  
8:00 – 10:00 p.m. Mainstream Square Dance  
w/Announced Plus Tips & Rounds

### Plus Workshop and Dance

With

Lynn and Judy Strobel

Sponsored by Prairie Stars Square Dance Club

#### **\*\*Senior Citizens Center\*\***

1060 Cedar, Forsyth, MT

Saturday June 10, 2023

*Casual Dress*

2:30 to 4:30 p.m. – Workshop/Plus Dance  
Dancers should have an understanding of the “Plus Calls”

5:00 p.m. – Supper Served; Prepared by  
Dan and Rita Watson

6:00 to 8:00 p.m. – Plus Dance

Total Program (Supper Included) Only \$25.00/person  
*Please let us know if you are coming; Helps us plan for supper*

For information contact Lynn and Judy @ 406-234-7384  
Cell 406-951-1088

Forsyth Motels Include:

Rail's Inn Motel: 406-346-2242

Restwell Motel: 406-346-2771

Westwind Motor Inn: 406-346-2038

Or check out Miles City Motels if you prefer

### Important Meeting!

**Sunday, May 7, 4 p.m., Cedar Hall**

**Subject:**

#### **2024 State Festival in Billings**

This is a big project and lots of help will be needed, and lots of ideas, too. Please come if you possibly can. Otherwise, who knows what you'll be “volunteered” for! (LOL)

Time permitting, we may also start the hall “tear down” process that day in preparation for leaving the hall for the summer. At this meeting, we'll also schedule the final stage of the teardown. If you have never been involved in that, you don't know what you're missing!

## Billings Plus Group

Lynn Strobel, Bob Hogemark, Hunter Keller, callers  
7:00-9:00 p.m., Cedar Hall at MetraPark  
Saturdays, see website or calendar for dates

The final Fourth Saturday Frolic (Mainstream) on April 22 was a lot of fun as usual. Hunter sure kept us hopping! We were happy to welcome some visitors, members of this year's beginner class, who came to see what they were in for in the future.

It was good to see three squares on the floor for our final Plus dance of the season on April 29. It's always nice to have the snowbirds back.

We're looking forward to reconnecting at the Hoedown this weekend with even more of the folks we haven't seen for a while. And that's only the beginning of the summer season when we get to dance in places, and with people, we don't get to enjoy so often during the winter. Don't forget Hunter's **Friday night summer dances** at the First Presbyterian Church 13 St. W. and Poly Drive in Billings. Six Plus and two Mainstream are planned. See the calendar on page 3.

As the poster on the front page of this issue announces, the **Forsyth Plus Dance** is almost here! This is always a fun day which includes a delicious dinner by Rita and Dan to keep up your energy. Lynn and Judy are asking that you let them know by June 1 if you plan to come so they can plan for the dinner. Lynn's email is [strobell@midrivers.com](mailto:strobell@midrivers.com). See you there!



## Silhouettes

Larry & Susan Sperry, Cuers  
Mondays 7-9 p.m., Cedar Hall at MetraPark  
<http://www.larrysperry.com>

It's good to have Larry back, along with the rest of the snowbirds! We enjoyed his talents at our final Plus Saturday and he also cued on Thursday to let the new dancers see round dancing in action. Our final dance with Hunter was April 17; now we'll start regular summer dancing on Monday, May 8, 7-8:45 at the Casa Village Rec Hall. Larry will also start Beginner classes on Tuesday, May 9, 7:30 p.m., also at Casa Village. Cost for the beginner class is \$8 per person and no prior experience is necessary.

Have a wonderful summer and we hope to see you at Casa Village and at as many of the special Montana (and beyond!) summer dances as you can manage.



## Checkerboard Squares

Bob Hogemark, Caller  
Thursday evenings Mainstream  
6:30-9:00 Cedar Hall, Metra Park

They're official! As of May 4, the Checkerboard Squares has 23 new members. Well, that's not exactly correct. With their enthusiasm, energy, and willingness to pitch in and help, bonds have been formed and our new dancers have been Checkerboards from day one. We're so glad you're dancing with us!

Don't forget about the **Magic City Hoedown's Beginner Dance**, Saturday May 6, 2:30-4 p.m. Bill Henke is a caller who will have you amazed at the things you can do with what you've learned. We guarantee he'll have you laughing quite a bit, too.

We have just one more club dance, May 11, before we break for the summer. Hunter has a full schedule of summer dancers for the new folks so we shouldn't get too rusty! Summer is a busy time, but there are enough dates planned that we should see everyone once in a while.

Have you joined the **Checkerboard Squares private Facebook group** yet? Since we won't be seeing each other quite as often over the next few months, it's a good way to stay in the loop. Send a friend request, and if you're a Checkerboard, you're in! Don't forget to visit [squaredancemontana.com](http://squaredancemontana.com), too, for more dance news and information.

## LOOK!

**We have summer dances, but not as often as the weekly ones we've enjoyed the past few months. It's not the same as "real life," but there are ways to keep in practice online. On our website, [squaredancemontana.com](http://squaredancemontana.com), there's a link on the beginner page to Saddlebrooke Squares YouTube demonstrations. Or, to see things from a different angle, google About Taminations - Tam Twirlers for animated birds-eye-view demonstrations of the calls. Both are very helpful. Hardest part is remembering the name of the calls you want to review!**

**Of course the summer dances are the best way to stay sharp and we hope to see you at many, if not all, of them. But try these out as well and see how they work for you.**

# Summer 2023

**SUMMER LOCATIONS:** Please note that we won't be in Cedar Hall during the summer. Round dancing is at the Casa Village Rec Hall on Gold Dust Drive. Square Dancing is at the First Presbyterian Church, 13th Street S. and Poly Drive.

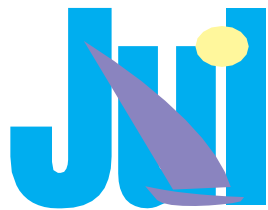
*Watch your email and the website, [squaredancemontana.com](http://squaredancemontana.com) in case we decide to cook up anything else!*



<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 7</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>	<b>State Festival Meeting</b>	<b>Cedar Hall</b>
<b>SILHOUETTES ROUND DANCE</b>				
Mondays	May 8, 15, 22	7:00-8:45 p.m.	Casa Village	
<b>ROUND DANCE LESSONS</b>				
Tuesdays	May 9, 16, 23, 30	7:15-8:45p.m.	Casa Village	
<b>NEW DANCER SUMMER DANCES</b>				
Thursday	May 25	7-9 p.m.	First Presbyterian Church	
<b>SUMMER DANCES PLUS LEVEL w/ROUNDS</b>				
Friday	May 12	7-9 p.m.	First Presbyterian Church	



<b>SILHOUETTES ROUND DANCE</b>				
Mondays	June 5, 12, 19, 26	7:00-8:45 p.m.	Casa Village	
<b>ROUND DANCE LESSONS</b>				
Tuesdays	June 6, 13, 20, 27	7:15-8:45p.m.	Casa Village	
<b>NEW DANCER SUMMER DANCES</b>				
Thursdays	June 1, 15, 29	7-9 p.m.	First Presbyterian Church	
<b>SUMMER DANCES PLUSLEVEL w/ROUNDS</b>				
Fridays	June 9, 23	7-9 p.m.	First Presbyterian Church	



<b>SILHOUETTES ROUND DANCE</b>				
Mondays	July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31	7:00-8:45 p.m.	Casa Village	
<b>ROUND DANCE LESSONS</b>				
Tuesdays	July 11, 18, 25	7:15-8:45p.m.	Casa Village	
<b>NEW DANCER SUMMER DANCES</b>				
Thursdays	July 6, 20	7-9 p.m.	First Presbyterian Church	
<b>SUMMER DANCES PLUS LEVEL w/ROUNDS</b>				
Fridays	July 14, 28	7-9 p.m.	First Presbyterian Church	
<b>SPECIAL SUMMER DANCE w/ JERRY JUNCK</b>				
Monday	July 24	6:45-8:45 p.m.	Casa Village	



<b>SPECIAL PLUS DANCE w/ JERRY JUNCK</b>				
Tuesday	August 8	6:45-8:45	Casa Village	
<b>SILHOUETTES ROUND DANCE</b>				
Mondays	August 14, 21, 28	7:00-8:45 p.m.	Casa Village	
<b>ROUND DANCE LESSONS</b>				
Tuesdays	August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	7:15-8:45p.m.	Casa Village	
<b>NEW DANCER SUMMER DANCES</b>				
Thursdays	August 3, 17, 31	7-9 p.m.	First Presbyterian Church	
<b>MAINSTREAM DANCE</b>				
Thursday	August 11	7-9 p.m.	First Presbyterian Church	
<b>SUMMER DANCE PLUS LEVEL w/ROUNDS</b>				
Friday	August 25	7-9 p.m.	First Presbyterian Church	



<b>SILHOUETTES ROUND DANCE</b>				
Mondays	September 11, 18, 26	7:00-8:45 p.m.	Casa Village	
<b>ROUND DANCE LESSONS</b>				
Tuesdays	September 5, 12, 19, 26	7:15-8:45p.m.	Casa Village	
<b>MAINSTREAM DANCE</b>				
Thursday	September 8	7-9 p.m.	First Presbyterian Church	

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## Yellowstone Square Dance Council (YSDC) Grapevine Newsletter

YSDC is an educational, non-profit organization for the promotion of square, round, folk, clogging and related dance instruction in the eastern Montana-northern Wyoming areas. Please send Grapevine mail and payments to **Ann Hindley, Editor YSDC Grapevine, 3143 Cline Rd., Billings, MT 59105.**

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## YSDC CLUBS WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Day	Time	Club	Location
Monday	7-9 p.m.	Silhouettes Round Dancing	Cedar Hall at MetraPark
Thursday	6:30-9:00 p.m.	Checkerboard Squares beginners/mainstream	Cedar Hall at MetraPark
Saturday	7-9 p.m. p.m.	Plus Dancing (as scheduled, see calendar)	Cedar Hall at MetraPark

**Visitors dancing at the appropriate level are always welcome at any club dance. No dress code. Please check the monthly calendar elsewhere in this newsletter and also our website for schedule updates and cancellations.**

**SUMMER SCHEDULE WILL VARY: See the calendar on page 3 or go to [squaredancemontana.com](http://squaredancemontana.com) for summer programs and dances.**

## OPEN DANCE SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Event	Featured Caller/Cuer	Location
July 24	7-9 p.m. p.m.	Plus Summer Dance	Jerry Junck, Larry Sperry	Casa Village Rec Center

*\* All 4th Saturday Frolic dances are mainstream dances by callers as listed above, with round dancing by Hunter between tips.*

## STATE, REGIONAL & NATIONAL DANCES

Date	Event	Featured Caller/Cuer	Location
May 5-6, 2023	Magic City Hoedown	Caller: B. Henke, Cuer: L&S Sperry	Billings, MT
May 26-29	2023 Montana State Festival	Caller: Mike Sikorsky, Cuer: LaMont Harris	Great Falls/Black Eagle MT
June 10	Plus Workshop & Dance	Lynn & Judy Strobel	Forsyth, MT
June 17-20	Nat'l Square Dance Convention	All Callers/Cuers	Mobile, AL
July 7-9	Plus on the Boulder	Lynn & Judy Strobel, Larry & Susan Sperry	Big Timber, MT
August 10-12	Lolo Stomp Plus Weekend	Lynn & Judy Strobel, Jerry Junck	Lolo, MT
September 1-4	Knothead Jamboree	All Callers & Cuers	West Yellowstone, MT
September 7-10	Buggy Stomp	L&S Sperry, J. Junck, D. Guille	Laramie, WY
September 15-16	September Spectacular Plus	Callers J. Saltel, H. Keller, Cuer L&S Sperry	Billings, MT

**Flyers for many of these dances can be viewed at [www.squaredancemontana.com](http://www.squaredancemontana.com) and/or caller websites  
There is also a flyer table in Cedar Hall. Check them for more details.**