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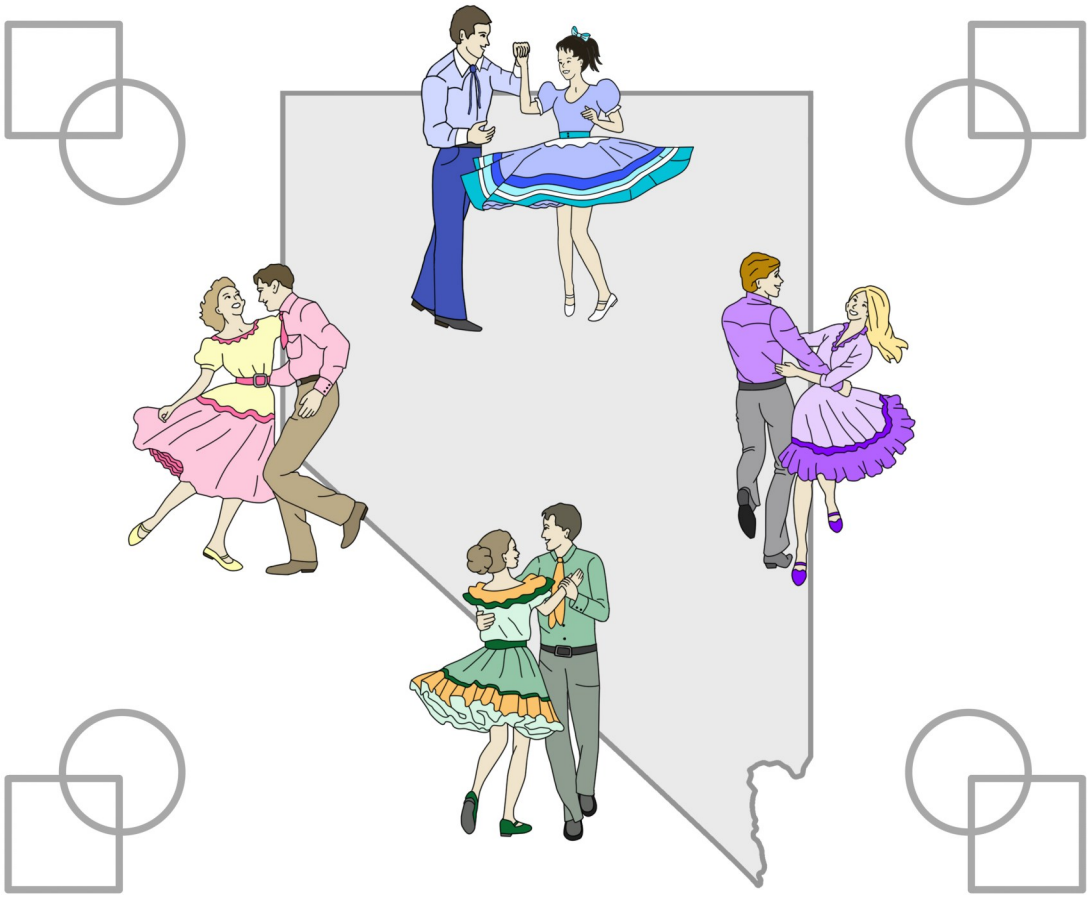

79th Silver State
Square and Round Dance Festival
May 8, 9 & 10, 2026
Circus Circus® at the Row, Reno, NV

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Northern Nevada Square and Round Dance Clubs

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How to Submit Club Information

Please submit your club or association information by the **end of the second day each month** to k.rodegeb@icloud.com (please note that my email address includes a period after the letter ‘k’). If you have something you need to discuss in person, you can call me at (707) 315-9707. Please **do not** send materials to me through Text or Facebook Messenger.

Non-ICC members may submit material to be included in Dance Notes at $5.00 per page. Contact Kathleen for more information.

A note from Robert Daly, Chairman of the
79th Silver State Square and Round Dance Festival 2026

Hello all, I am Robert Daly, for those who do not yet know me I am a returning Square Dancer. I Learned to square dance in Oakdale CA as a 12 year old, dancing with Mom and Dad as Oakdale Barn Buster at the Grange Hall. We danced all over California together till life took me in a different direction for awhile.

Silver State is just around the corner, a little over 3 months away. The committee members are doing a great job with Callers & Cuers. We have a wonderful line up and they are looking forward to entertaining everyone with some great dancing.

We have several vendors signed up for the festival but a few more would be great. If you know someone who could be a vendor at our festival, please contact Don or Carolyn Storz or ask any of the board or committee members for contact information. We will be happy to assist in that.

We are sharing our flyers and information on our festival across the country and also around the world to square & round dance communities everywhere, and attendance is growing, If you are planning on attending any dances or other festivals leading up to our own festival please contact any board member to get some flyers to take with you to help spread the word.

Please keep in mind that the success of our festival is dependent on our members who volunteer to help in so many areas one of the biggest jobs is to install and un-install our dance floors. The schedule for the floors is a four-step process. The first two steps are right before the festival. Day one, loading the floors onto a truck, takes about 4 trips and then unloading the floors at the casino and putting them in a safe location. Day two is laying the floors in the halls for our use.

After the festival, the third day is picking up the floors and reloading them onto our storage racks. And the fourth day is loading the floors onto the trucks again and returning them to our storage facility. The more volunteers we have the easier the work for everyone. Please consider helping with this task. Dates and times will be announced in the weeks leading to the festival.

The festival is for you and our guests, but we can't do it without you.

I wish to thank the members of the 2025-2026 SSF board and committees. Also to all the club representatives for their assistance and dedication to our festival and our activity.

Chairman	**Robert Daly**
Vice- Chairman	**Bill Sutman**
Treasurer	**Kathleen Rodegeb**
Secretary	**Cara Dennler**
Past Chairman	**Tim Stephens**
COMMITTEE	**MEMBERS**
Caller Coordinator	**Eddie Cook**
Cuer Coordinator **Co-coordinator**	**Carolyn Storz** **Robin Steen**
Flooring	**Dallas Cook**
Flowers & Candy	**Nancy Balash & Jenny Sterling**
M/C coordinator	**Ted Balash**
Publicity	**Bill Sutman**
Registration **Co-registration**	**Debbie Cook** **Chris Burns**
Signs & Banners	**Ted Balash or Tim Stephens**
Vendor Coordinator	**Don & Carolyn Storz**

Thank you, and I hope to meet you in a square somewhere.

Robert

Bill Sutman Silver State Publicity & Demonstrations Chair

PUBLICITY: I continue to share flyers for our upcoming festival to Square & Round dance clubs and associations nationally and internationally. If you are planning to attend any dances or festivals outside our general area, please let me know and I will get a bunch of flyers for you to take and share at these dances. They almost always have a flyer table or area to display flyers and they welcome flyers from everyone.

DEMONSTRATIONS: As many of you know we have been involved with presenting our Square Dance activity at Pure Country Canteen in Reno for about 1 ½ months now. We have done a couple of flash mob style dances on Friday nights, followed by an introduction to Square Dance on the following Saturday. Many Thanks to the square dancers who came out and supported these ventures. Each time we did these introductions the size of the groups has grown.

Just this past Saturday we held our first social square dance party at Pure Country Canteen. It was a Luau theme with a Luau themed dinner. We had 3 squares of new dancers and active square dancers. With Tim Pepper and Bill Sutman teaching & calling tips and Nichelle Tuesdee Parker teaching line dancing. Bill Sutman called a Virginia Reel that was very well received.

Robert Daly, our festival chairman, has been very instrumental in organizing these classes and dances at Pure Country Canteen.

Many thanks to all the Square Dancers who have come out to our recent events at Pure Country, Dancers from Battle Born Dancers,

Hi Flyers, Lo Flyers, Capitol Cutups & Dayton Silver Squares. You have helped in a big way to make these classes/dances successful.

Here is a picture from the Luau dance this last Saturday. This is most of the group who attended our Luau dance.

In this picture left to right Bill Sutman is hiding behind Bev Oren Pepper. Then a group of 6 girls from UNR and local community, Warren & Karen Whittake from Battle Born Dancers, next is Tim Pepper the tall guy in the back. In front of Tim is Tracy Hansen from Lo Flyers. In Front of Tracy is Kara Harvey from Dayton Silver Squares & a up & coming Square Dance caller, Just over Kara's left shoulder is Cara Dennler & Robert Daly, Cara is the secretary for Silver State festival and Robert is the chairman for Silver State festival. Next is Dave & Debra Hanks from Dayton Silver Squares, they are in Dayton's new class and are only 2 weeks into the class. So happy to have them join us for our dance. Next to them in the back is a local couple who came with friends for the Luau dance, the friends have to go pick up their kids before the picture was taken, In front of them is Jann Carlucci from Hi Flyers, the lady in Black (no name) is a friend of the Line Dance instructor. Next to her is Karen Dock from Capitol Cutups, and the last lady is Nichelle Tuesdee Parker the line dance instructor at Pure Country Canteen, who is kind enough to share the dance floor with us during this time.

Thank you one and all for making our first party dance a great success, hope we will see more of our square dance community come out for future dances at Pure Country Canteen

If you know of a location or function where we can do a Square Dance demonstration please let your caller/cuer know and have them contact Bill Sutman. Maybe we can get something set up.

I continue to reach out to CBS "2 plus you Nevada" to try to schedule square dancing as one of their featured segments, lately they have been non-responsive. They had concerns about the size of the area where we could dance in studio, I assured them we could work with it or we could set something up at one of our local halls for them to come to us. I have seen that they do remote shoots often. Then they were concerned about copyrights on the music. So I found music that the copyrights is not an issue. I have sent follow up emails but have not, as of yet, heard back.

Thank you Bill Sutman

First picture is Bill Sutman, Vice Chair Silver State Festival. Cara Dennler Secretary Silver state Festival, Robert Daly Chairman Silver State Festival, 2nd picture is Bill & Robert with Nichelle Tuesday Parker Lind Dance instructor at Pure country Canteen. 3rd Picture Bill & Robert with one of the attendees at our first party dance at Pure Country Canteen.

79th Annual
SILVER STATE
SQUARE & ROUND DANCE FESTIVAL

The Longest Continuously Running Festival in the Country

May 8 - 9 - 10, 2026

Circus Circus Hotel & Casino
500 N. Sierra Street, Reno, NV

Featured Callers

Hunter Keller
Montana

Dee Dee Dougherty
Minnesota

Mike Hogan
Nebraska

Featured Cuers

Dan & Allison Drumheller
California

Support Cuers

TJ & Bruce Chadd
Idaho

Thursday, May 7th, 7:00 pm
Trails End Dance
MS, Plus, Rounds
$10 Per Person at the Door
Sponsored by Western Squares Dancers

Friday, May 8th, 1:00-4:00 pm
Warm Up Dance
Callers & Cuers From the Floor
Subject to Available Time Slots
Admission: Your Ribbon

Online Registration Preferred at SquareDanceNevada.org

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SILVER STATE SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE FESTIVAL

TRAILS END DANCE

CALLER

DEEDEE DOUGHERTY

CUER

TJ & BRUCE CHADD

THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2026

CIRCUS CIRCUS CASINO RESORT

RENO, NEVADA

7:30 TO 8:00 PM PRE-ROUNDS
8:00—10:00 PM SQUARES

PLUS WITH ANNOUNCED MS WITH DOUBLE ROUNDS

$10 PER PERSON DONATION AT THE DOOR

50/50 DONATION DRAWING

SPONSORED BY:
Western Squares Square Dance Club
Hearing Enhancement Available

The Battle Born Dancers dance Mainstream and Plus now, every Wednesday night, 6 pm-8 pm., at The Rock Church, 4950 Vista Blvd., in Sparks. We also dance on Tuesday nights at the Eagles Hall, 416 Pyramid Way in Sparks same time, 6-8pm.

We have been working hard learning our mainstream moves as we get ready for our Celebration Dance on **March 28th**. We have 9 new dancers joining our square dance community and they really want to meet you all! Come join us at the **Ballroom of Reno 2540, Sutro St., 3-5pm** for a whole lot of dancing. As always, callers from the floor highly appreciated!

Attention!!! Please, if you're a *plus dancer*, join me and Bill Sutman and our plus class dancers on **April 26th** for a plus dance at the Ballroom of Reno from 3-5 pm. Tim Pepper will join us to add a little spice. Let's get our plus on just before our festival.

And while we're at it, let's welcome our newest members to Battle Born Dancers and the Northern Nevada Square Dance Association:

- Mika Inque
- Sherlynne Greco
- Pamela Morrison
- Kelly Anderson
- Tina Manguso
- Blaine Guinn

- Austin Ennis
- Danielle Eaton
- Kreston Eaton

We hope they stick around and have lots of fun square dancing with the rest of us!

Magda and Klaus

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

Battle Born Dancers

Invite You to Their

CELEBRATION Dance

SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2026

3:00pm - 5:00 pm

Join us for an afternoon of dance and merriment as we celebrate our newest dancers!

Ballroom of Reno
2540 Sutro Street, Reno, NV

$10 per Person
$5 for Youth

Dance in a Square
Make a Circle of Friends

Callers from the Floor are Welcomed

Plus, Plus and Nothing but Plus Dance!

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2026

3:00-5:00ish PM
$12 per person

CALLERS FOR THE AFTERNOON

MAGDA SANCHEZ
BILL SUTMAN
TIM PEPPER

Magda and Bill have been dedicated in preparing their Plus classes for the upcoming Silver State Festival. Tim is expected to contribute a little bit of "spice" and enthusiasm to further enhance the dancers readiness.

ALL PLUS DANCERS ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE FUN!

Ballroom of Reno
2540 Sutro Street, Reno, NV

Dayton Silver Squares

President: Eddie Cook (775-781-2437)
Caller: Magda Sanchez

Since 1989

Weekly Dancing: (Mainstream, Plus & Rounds) ***6:30 - 8:30***

Dayton High School Cafeteria, 355 Old Dayton Valley Rd, Dayton NV

FEBRUARY 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 DSS Quarterly Meeting 6:00 PM	3	4	5 6:30 - 8:30	6	7
8	9	10	11	12 6:30 - 8:30	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 6:30 - 8:30	20	21 Red and Black Mardi Gras Dance!
22	23	24	25	26 6:30 - 8:30	27	28

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS!

- We began a Mainstream class in January. Class is held from 6:30 - 7:30. Regular Mainstream dancing takes place the second hour.
- We are hosting a special dance on Saturday afternoon, February 21st. It's a:

Red and Black Mardi Gras!

Caller Magda Sanchez teaching beginning moves

Dress festively in red and black! Think feathers and bling! Wear a mask if you have one! See the flyer in this issue of *Dance Notes* for more information!

Dayton Silver Squares invites you to a:

Red and Black

MARDI GRAS

Saturday, February 21st

Dayton High School, 355 Old Dayton Valley Rd

$12

Pre-rounds	3:00 - 3:30
MS & Plus	3:30 - 5:30

Caller: Magda Sanchez
Cuer: Bev Oren Pepper

Wear red, black, feathers, beads, masks and bling!
The best male and female costumes *could* be crowned
King and Queen for the dance!

Contact Ed Cook (775-781-2437) with any questions.

 Hi Flyers Square & Round Dance Club	**President: Brad Mora** **Caller: Bill Sutman** **Dancing Plus program on Tuesdays** **6 to 6:30 workshop on all calls thru Plus** **6:30 to 8:00 Plus level dancing** **Round Dancing, on 2nd Tuesday (party night)** **Location: Elks Lodge,** **93 W. Center St. Fallon, NV** **Contact: Brad Mora 775-741-5745**

Hi Flyers Square and Round Dance Club dances the plus program of square dancing. We dance on every Tuesday night 6 to 8 pm

Hi Flyers is currently holding plus program lessons on Tuesday night from 6 to 7 pm. Then full plus dancing 7 to 8 pm

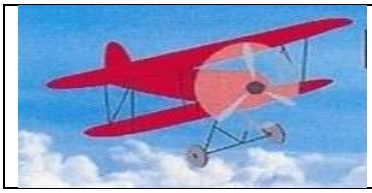
Hi Flyers will be holding their monthly party night on Tuesday February 10, featuring Tim Pepper as the evening caller along with Bev Oren Pepper Cueing rounds. Dancers are welcome to dress up on party nights and we bring in a little extra food for the party night. Tim Pepper and Bev Oren Pepper have been a great addition to our club's party night. You should come and dance with us sometime.

Bev Oren Pepper has been offering round dance lessons at the Elks Hall every Monday 10:30 to 12 for beginner lessons and 12 to 1 pm for the higher level, and She is currently teaching Cha Cha.

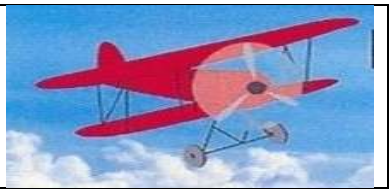
Bev plans to start a teach for Rumba in a couple weeks. So now would be a good time to get into her classes in Fallon. For more information Contact Bev Oren Pepper at, 951-264-7320

Hi Flyers has added round dancing to our regular schedule on our party nights.

Hi Flyers will be DARK on Feb 17, 2026 as Bill & Pat will be out of town on that date & no one is available to fill in.



Lo Flyers Square & Line dance club



Lo Flyers had visitors from the state of Washington. Don & Patsy Harris were in town looking for a home to move to here in Fernley. Pat & I had a wonderful visit with Don & Patsy over dinner when they got into town and they were able to find time to come to our Thursday night class in Fallon. Looking forward to their joining us here in our Northern NV square dance community. They will be a wonderful addition to our square dance family.

Lo Flyers holds class level instruction Beginner thru Mainstream every Thursday evening including line dance instruction. Lo Flyers also holds a monthly class level dance for our students in class. We welcome all square dancers and line dancers and class members.

Our classes and our dances follow the same schedule 6 to 6:30 is Line Dancing and 6:30 to 8:30 is square dancing with a line dance between tips. Our monthly class level dance is held on the 1st or 2nd Sat of every month. Depending on hall availability. We hold classes and our monthly dances at the Eagles Hall 7977 Reno Highway Fallon, NV

UPCOMING DANCES

FEBRUARY **Dance: 2/14/26**	**This dance is canceled**
March Dance: **3/14/26** ***Winter schedule*** **times 3 to 5:30 pm**	**March madness Show your support for your favorite sport, sports team, or sport athlete.** **Experienced clothing sale – for donation** **Just in time for Silver state Festival**
April dance: **4/11/26** **Regular schedule** **6 to 8:30 pm**	**April Showers** **Experienced clothing sale – for donation** **Just in time for Silver state Festival**

Lo Flyers 2026 Dance Schedule
(subject to change depending on hall availability)

Lo Flyers dances are either 1st or 2nd Saturday of each month
(depending on hall availability)

Date	1st or 2nd Saturday	Times	Theme
March 14, 2026	2nd Saturday	3 pm to 5:30 pm = winter schedule	
April 11, 2026	1st Saturday	6 pm to 8:30 pm = regular schedule	
May 2, 2026	1st Saturday	6 pm to 8:30 pm = regular schedule	
June 6, 2026	1st Saturday	6 pm to 8:30 pm = regular schedule	
July 11, 2026	2nd Saturday	6 pm to 8:30 pm = regular schedule	
August 1, 2026	1st Saturday	6 pm to 8:30 pm = regular schedule	
September 6, 2026	1st Saturday	6 pm to 8:30 pm = regular schedule	
October 3, 2026	1st Saturday	6 pm to 8:30 pm = regular schedule	
November 7, 2026	1st Saturday	3 pm to 5:30 pm = winter schedule	3rd annual Turkey Trot
December 5, 2026	1st Saturday	3 pm to 5:30 pm = winter schedule	6th annual Potluck dinner & toy drive dance.

Northern Nevada Square Dance Association

Inter-Club Square and Round Dance Council of Reno, Nevada, Inc.

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Click here to check the calendar for more dance information

Click here to check out the Facebook Page

TUESDAY

BATTLE BORN DANCERS
Plus Level Dancing ~ 6:00-6:30 pm
Mainstream Level Dancing Class ~ 6:30-8:00 pm

Eagles Hall, 416 Pyramid Way, Sparks, NV

Contact / Caller: Magda Sanchez, (775) 830-5852

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HI-FLYERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB
Plus-Level Dancing ~ 6:00-8:30 pm

Fallon Elks Lodge
(use the "Elks Dining Hall" door)
93 W. Center Street, Fallon, Nevada

Contacts:
President: Brad Mora, (775) 741-5745, brjomora@outlook.com
Caller: Bill Sutman, (626) 926-0609, wsutman@yahoo.com

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WEDNESDAY

BATTLE BORN DANCERS
Mainstream & Plus-Levels Dancing ~ 6:15-8:15

Rock Church
4950 Vista Boulevard, Sparks, Nevada

Contact / Caller: Magda Sanchez, (775) 830-5852

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THURSDAY

DAYTON SILVER SQUARES

Mainstream & Plus-Levels Dancing with Rounds ~ 6:30-8:30 pm

Dayton High School
335 Old Dayton Valley Road, Dayton, Nevada

Contacts:
President: Eddie Cook, (775) 781-2437
Caller: Magda Sanchez

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LO FLYERS SQUARE AND LINE DANCE CLUB

Social Square Dance and Line Dance Lessons

CHECK THE CALENDAR FOR WINTER SCHEDULE
Line Dancing ~ 6:00-6:30 pm
Squares with Intermittent Line Dances ~ 6:30-8:00 pm

Eagles Hall
7977 Reno Highway, Fallon, NV

Contact / Caller: Bill Sutman, (626) 926-0609, wsutman@yahoo.com

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MOTIVATORS

High-level A-2 ~ 6:30-8:30 pm

Silverada Estates Clubhouse
2301 Oddie Blvd, Reno, Nevada

(dances are scheduled when enough plan to attend)

Contact: Marilyn Bennett: (775) 843-1055
Caller: Tim Stephens

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THURSDAY

WESTERN SQUARES ADVANCED CLUB

Advanced Level and A2 Squares ~ 10:00-12:00 pm

Silverada Estates Clubhouse
2301 Oddie Blvd, Reno, Nevada

Contact / Caller: Tim Stephens: 650-703-1215

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FRIDAY

CAPITOL CUTUPS

1st & 3rd Fridays, Plus-Level Dancing with Rounds ~ 6:00-8:45 pm

Carson Senior Center
911 Beverly Drive, Carson City, Nevada

Contact / President: Chris Burns, (801) 836-8158, burniejmb@gmail.com
Caller: Tim Pepper
Cuer: Bev Oren Pepper
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