

ISDCA

ILLINOIS SQUARE DANCE CALLERS ASSOCIATION

2016 CALLER SEMINAR

THE OTHER SIDE

OF THE MICROPHONE

- Geared towards newer callers and those interested in calling -

Caller Coaches:

Bob Asp
Rockton, IL

Curt Braffet
Carlock, IL

Barry Johnson
Lake In The Hills, IL

Ozzie Pearl
Weldon, IL

Friday, July 29, 2016

10:00AM - 4:30PM

Admission: *FREE*

**The Westin Chicago Northwest
400 Park Boulevard / Itasca, IL**



In order to foster the growth of square dancing we not only need to attract new dancers, but also attract and develop new callers. Each year the Illinois Square Dance Callers Association provides a pre-convention seminar. This year the Illinois Square Dance Callers Association is working together with the Illinois Square and Round Dance Convention leadership to provide a different slant on this pre-convention workshop. Instead of focusing on seasoned callers we are focusing on newer callers AND people who might become square dance callers in the future.

Here's how you can help:

- Identify one or more dancers in your club who might become a good caller
- Invite them to attend the workshop "The Other Side of the Microphone" to be held on Friday, July 29th from 10 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. at the convention hotel (The Westin Chicago Northwest located at 400 Park Boulevard in Itasca, Illinois)
- Send one or more dancers from your club to dance at the workshop on Friday afternoon (1:30 to 4:30 p.m.)
- Provide one or more opportunities for new callers to call a guest tip at lessons or a club night
- Sponsor a "new caller night dance" at your club and invite new callers to call a tip or a portion of a tip at the dance
- Treating them to lunch the day of the caller workshop

When the State Council of Illinois Square Dance Associations (**SCISDA**) went to a featured caller format for the State Convention in July 2002, Tom Miller conducted a two hour seminar on Saturday afternoon. Needless to say, it was a success! Therefore, for several years after, the featured caller for the Convention would conduct a 2-3 hour seminar on Saturday.

On July 22, 2011, the Illinois Square Dance Callers Association (**ISDCA**) hosted a seminar for callers at the State Convention which was conducted by the featured caller, Tony Oxendine.

Each year since then, ISDCA has hosted a seminar on the Friday of the State Convention, prior to the start of the event. The featured caller for the State Convention conducts the seminar which is open to anyone that is interested in attending.

If you're interested in becoming a caller, a caller in the beginning stages, want to better your skills as a caller, learn new things or you're curious about the other side of the microphone, this is something for you to attend!! Registration for the Convention is not necessary.

For more information and/or interested in attending, contact:

Arlene Kaspik / 847.334.1244 / amkaspik@comcast.net



REGISTRATION FORM:

The Other Side of the Microphone: A workshop for newer callers & dancers who are curious about square dance calling and how it works....

Send registration form via mail or email to:

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Name: _____ Email: _____

Home #: _____ Cell #: _____

Number of years dancing: _____ Number of years calling: _____

Programs danced: ___ Club 50 ___ One Floor ___ Basic ___ Mainstream ___ Plus ___ Advanced ___ C1 or higher

Programs called: (*if applicable*) ___ Club 50 ___ One Floor ___ Basic ___ Mainstream ___ Plus ___ Advanced ___ C1 or higher

Note: No previous calling experience is required to attend this workshop. Additional information will be emailed to all registrants in early July.

Contact Arlene Kaspik if you have questions;
amkaspik@comcast.net (847-836-1244)

33rd Illinois Square & Round Dance Convention
July 29-31, 2016
The Westin Chicago Northwest
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Itasca, IL

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