



Conventional Patter

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Registration Roundup

108
Registered

Volunteers: Our “Secret Sauce”

There are SO many tasks and roles needed to run the 2024 Illinois Square Dance Convention. How in the world does everything get done? Where does all the know-how come from?

The “secret sauce” in a successful event such as this is the many volunteers who share their time and talents.

ILSDC co-chair Janice Cha comments that without volun-

teers, a large event such as the IL convention would be virtually impossible. “There are so many moving parts to a successful event like this,” said Cha. “We rely on volunteers in the many months leading up to the event to help with planning, publicity, logistics, registrations, and so much more. It’s a lot!”

ILSDC Co-chair Denise Hopkins added, “And at the convention itself, there are literally hundreds

of roles for volunteers—everything from guest check-ins and hospitality to caller services, site coordination, and vendor support. You name it, we need help with it.”

Because we are a state and regional event, there are also many opportunities for volunteers at their local clubs to channel information, updates and helpful details. “This is the perfect opportunity for someone to make a grassroots difference at home for their own peer group,” said Cha. “This is a critical piece to informing the square dance community throughout the region.”

We need YOU! If you can volunteer during the upcoming Illinois Square Dance Convention, email us at:

IllinoisSDconvention@gmail.com

Let us know your name, phone number and your club name.

Register TODAY!



Holiday Gifts Galore at the Illinois Convention Amazon Store!

Looking for GREAT gift ideas for your holiday giving? Check out our merch for the 2024 Illinois State Square Dance Convention at amazon.com.



You’ll find a great selection of “conventional” attire and cool stuff. And when you share your love of square dance with a purchase, you also support our fundraising efforts for a successful state event in July, 2024. Wow - what a deal!

So visit our convention store from our website, ilsdc.dance, and click the link for “Official Swag.” Happy Holidays!

Let’s keep in touch

Sign up to receive occasional email updates as we gear up for the 2024 Illinois Square Dance Convention.

Scan the QR code below and complete the online form. We’ll make sure you’re in the know about our preparations, news, and other helpful information.



Callers: Don’t Miss This Opportunity!

2024 ILLINOIS SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION



CALL WITH A PLAN

One-Day Caller Clinic
led by
Tony Oxendine

Friday, July 19, 2024
9 am - 4 pm

Sheraton Suites Chicago O’Hare
Rosemont, Illinois



During this one-day intensive Clinic at the 2024 Illinois Square Dance Convention, internationally acclaimed **CALLERLAB Caller Coach Tony Oxendine** will guide callers in refining their skills by incorporating structure into all aspects of their calling. The four-part clinic will cover:

- Programming with a Plan
- Sight-calling with a Plan
- Singing with a Plan
- Teaching with a Plan

THE FINE PRINT

- Cost: \$30/caller
- Advance registration requested, as space is limited
- Register at [ILSDC.dance](https://ilsdc.dance)
- Lunch on your own
- Test dancers will be available for afternoon caller practice

Prerequisites: The ILSDC ‘Call With A Plan’ Caller Clinic targets callers with at least two years’ calling and some teaching experience.