

Mid-Winter Festival 2026

January 23, 24, 25
2026

Linn County Expo
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Albany, Oregon

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Cuers
Dallas Texas

Andrew Perry
Clogging Cuer
Dickinson Center
New York

Ray Brendzy
Caller
Burnaby, BC

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Dance Around The Clock

Oregon's 2026 Mid-Winter Festival

No festival can happen without the hard work of many people. This year, they exceeded the sum of the parts to create a special event in order to welcome everyone back to Mid-Winter after missing a year. Please take a moment to thank them when you see them on the dance floor.

They make this event the success it is every year.

Committee Members

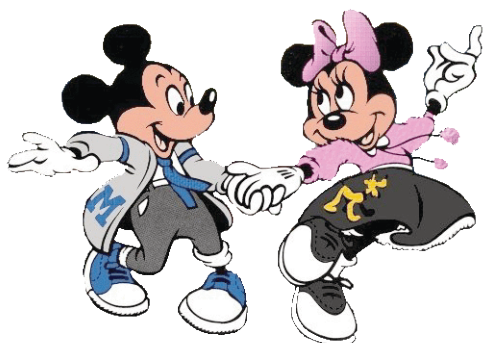
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Tualatin Valley.....	Erin & Darrell Kalmbach
Rogue Sis-Q.....	Rikki Lobato
South Coast.....	Dave & Patty Cooper
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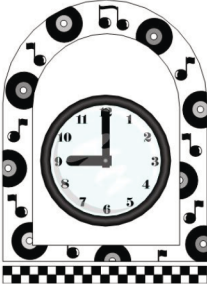
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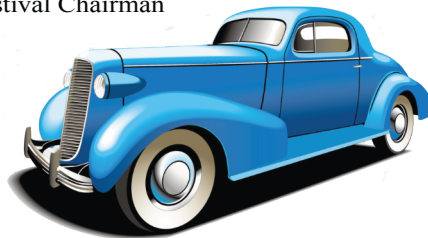
Mid-Winter Festival 2026 Welcomes You To Dance Around The Clock



It is with great pleasure and gratitude that we welcome you to the 65th annual Mid-Winter Festival. Without you we would not be doing what we do. So please enjoy this great weekend that we have planned for you. Dance, shop and visit with other dancers. Our featured caller this weekend is Ray Brendzy from Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada. Our round dance cuers are JL & Linda Pelton from Plano, Texas. Our clogging instructor is Andrew Perry from Dickinson Center, New York. They will all keep us on our toes on the dance floors.

We have a wonderful committee that has spent many hours working to make this a fun filled festival. We especially thank them for all of their attention and dedicated work. Please take a moment to thank them for their time and effort when you see them. Several of them have been on the Mid-Winter committees for years because they love our activity. Have a great time here in Albany and remember to share your love of dancing with others so we can keep this great activity alive and strong.

Enjoy the weekend!
Karyn Buchheit
2026 Mid-Winter Festival Chairman



Raffle!

Try Your Luck. Buy Raffle Tickets & Win Special Prizes and Baskets

The clubs throughout Oregon have created baskets for the dancers to take a chance on.

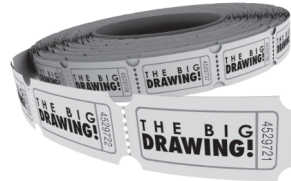
Also some Very Special Prizes have been donated for you to win.

Look for them in the Vendor Hall

\$1.00 for 1 ticket

\$5.00 for 6 tickets

\$10.00 for 15 tickets



Drawing will be held on Saturday at 9:30 pm

Winners will be posted at the Registration/Ticket Booth after 9:30 pm. Baskets can be claimed by 11:00 pm in the Vendor Hall or Sunday by 11:30 am at the Ticket Booth



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Split-the-Pot

**Tickets are available at the
special table in the Lobby**

Friday 1-9 pm, Saturday 10 am-9 pm, and from wandering committee members who are wearing Split-the-Pot coverings. You must be 18 or older to purchase tickets.

Drawings will be held Friday at 9 pm and Saturday at 9 pm. Winning numbers will be posted in the main lobby.

Winners need to come to the Ticket Booth to claim their prize no later than 11:30 am on Sunday.



Registration Booth Ticket Booth Hours

Hours to be open:

Friday: 1:00 - 4:00 pm
6:00 - 9:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am - 12 noon
1:00 - 4:00 pm
6:00 - 9:00 pm

Sunday: Closed





RAY BRENDZY CALLER BURNABY, BC

Ray was born and raised in Vancouver, BC. He has been dancing for 60 years, and calling for 58 of those years. He is married to Christine and they have two children, Nicholas (27) and Caitlyn (25). Ray was a teacher and administrator with the Vancouver School Board for 37 years, and Christine recently retired after 37 years of teaching as well. Nicholas and Caitlyn are both working in the school system and they call and cue for their own square and round dance clubs. The Brendzys are truly a square dance family and are great ambassadors for our activity. Ray currently calls for five clubs, and Nicholas and Caitlyn call and cue for their own two clubs, and cue for three others. They often travel as a family to dance events and enjoy sharing the stage and presenting some great harmony together. Ray calls from beginners to C3B and he has traveled throughout Canada and the United States. He has also called in Japan, England, Germany, and Sweden. When he was in the classroom, Ray enjoyed teaching Grade 7 and he incorporated square dance lessons into his school, organising an afternoon of dance event for the community. He gave workshops in his school district to fellow teachers on professional days for many years. Ray has been retired from teaching for the past eight years, and this has allowed him to devote more time to the promotion of his favorite activity and to learn higher-level round dances with Christine.

Ray is well known for his teaching ability in the square dance community. He loves to create interesting material for the dance community, and enjoys performing on stage. Ray also loves to sing, and he especially likes to share the stage with Nicholas and Caitlyn. He runs a youth dance program, as well as teaches classes at the beginner/SSD level, mainstream, plus, advanced and challenge levels. Ray has also trained many callers over the years in the art of calling with the hope that by doing so, he can keep our activity alive and thriving.

Find Mid-Winter on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MidWinterSDFestival>

Ray is a member of CallerLab, and serves as a member of the Board of Governors. He is the Chair of the Advanced Committee and participates on the Mainstream, Plus, Challenge, and Definitions Committees. He was the co-chair of the BC provincial festival in July 2025, and is the program chair for the Canadian National, which will be in Penticton, BC, in 2026. Ray hopes that by contributing in a leadership role, he can help keep square dancing alive around the world. He records for Lou Mac records, and enjoys his time in the recording studio. Ray loves traveling, hiking, dancing, skiing, and traveling in the family's trailer. Now that Christine has retired, the couple plans on enjoying dancing and calling around the world.

Ray is excited to be on staff and looks forward to calling for you.



Lost and Found



Lost and Found

Located in main lobby at the ticket booth.

Lost Ribbons may be replaced at the registration booth for a \$5.00 fee per ribbon upon confirmation of original purchase.

Any found items remaining two weeks after the festival will be donated to charity or disposed of.

Coats and Hats

Coats may be hung in the following halls at your
OWN RISK:

Round Dance Hall, Mainstream Hall and Plus Hall



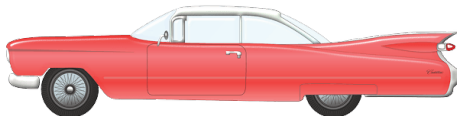
JL AND LINDA PELTON CUER DALLAS, TX

JL and Linda met square dancing in 2004 and they began round dancing together in 2005. They currently have a Phase 5 Carousel Club in Plano, Texas, and also teach basic and intermediate round dance lessons.

They have taught at many festivals in Texas, as well as at ICBDA conventions throughout the states, and were featured clinicians in Ontario, Canada. Some of their choreography includes Dance With the Devil (4 CH), Lariat of Dreams (5 WZ), and It's All Right 4 (4 FT).

JL and Linda have actively served in various positions for ICBDA, Roundalab, and other dance organizations over many years. Currently they serve on the ICBDA Technical Advisory Committee, Linda is the ICBDA Secretary, and JL is the webmaster for several dance sites. In 2023, JL and Linda were honored to receive ICBDA's Distinguished Service Award.

JL retired from the US Postal Service as an Electronics Technician and Network Administrator, and Linda retired from the telecommunications industry as a Technical Writer.

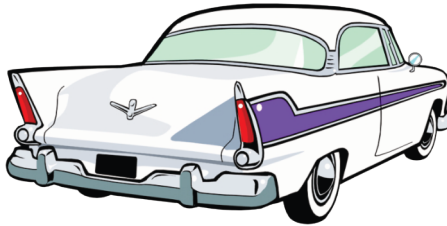


Recreational Vehicle Parking for 2026

You can secure Recreational Vehicle parking by going online to: www.lcfairexpo.com or by telephone: 541-926-4314. Recreational Vehicle



parking will be on a first come-first served basis. Note: There is a computer in the lobby of the Fairgrounds to make reservations during the Festival.



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ANDREW PERRY CLOGGING INSTRUCTOR DICKINSON CENTER, NY

Andrew Perry is a clogging instructor from Dickinson Center, New York, which is at the very top of New York State and only 20 miles from the Canadian border. He has been clogging since 2006 and has been teaching since 2007. Andrew is currently living in Columbus, Ohio with his loving fiancé Jessica, having recently earned his Ph.D in Educational Psychology at The Ohio State University. Being homeschooled, Andrew took his first clogging class as a fun alternative to physical education, but little did he know that he would fall in love with the dance form and pursue a career teaching clogging at workshops and conventions that would span the entire globe. Since that time, Andrew has taught at numerous regional, national, and international workshops and conventions throughout the United States, Canada, and Australia. His clogging group, the Drew Crew Cloggers, has been active since 2009 and is composed of roughly 25 people. Andrew is also a proud board member of the Western New York Cloggers Association (WNYCA), which is an organization responsible for putting on multiple annual clogging events including the famous Nickel City Clogging Festival in Buffalo, NY. In April of 2024, Andrew was humbled and honored to receive the WNYCA hall of fame award for his

service to the organization over the years. Andrew is also proud to serve on the certified clogging instructor (CCI) steering committee through C.L.O.G., the National Clogging Organization of the United States. The Oregon Mid-Winter Festival will be the first time Andrew has ever taught clogging in the Pacific Northwest, which he is very excited about! He hopes to see you on the dance floor soon!



10 AM to 9 PM Monday through Sunday
2218 Santiam Highway SE
Albany, OR 97322
541-704-0698

OPENING CEREMONIES

FRIDAY EVENING

Karyn wishes to invite you and your club to join us for the Opening Ceremonies at 7:00 pm in the Willamette Building – Hall A (Mainstream Hall). We will begin with the “Colors”, our National Anthem as well as the Canadian National Anthem, and an invocation. We hope to see you there.

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DANCE TO DRESS AROUND THE CLOCK

Our theme this year is “Dance Around The Clock” and our decorations are following a 50's/60's theme. We would like to encourage everyone to join the theme with your outfits for the weekend. Please feel free to dress up in an outfit that represents the 50's/60's to you. We welcome seeing your imagination come out.



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2027 PRE-REGISTRATION INFORMATION

2027 Mid-Winter Festival Ribbons Will be sold at this year's Festival!

DAY	HALL	TIME
Friday	"A" Hall	7:00 - 10:30 pm
Saturday	"A" Hall	9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Saturday	"A" Hall	6:30 - 10:30 pm
Sunday	"A" Hall	9:00 - 11:45 am
Sunday	Santiam	12:00 - 3:00 pm

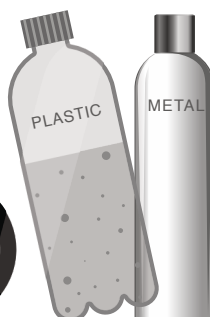
INCENTIVE: Full Festival (3 day) Ribbons purchased during the 2026 Mid-Winter Festival will be sold for a discount. At the conclusion of the 2026 Mid-Winter Festival, the price for the Full Pre-Registration (3 day) will return to the price shown on the registration forms.

— NOTICE —

There will NOT be any water coolers in the individual dance halls this year. There is a water bottle refill in the drinking fountain in the hallway in the Willamette Building.

Please bring your own, labeled plastic or metal water bottle to use and refill. No glass bottles please.

If you forget to bring a water bottle, a plastic reusable bottle can be purchased at the youth table.



DANCE *Around* *the* **CLOCK**

Mid-Winter Festival 2026

TRAILS END DANCE

by Emerald Empire (EEAC)

Thursday, January 22, 2026

7:30-10pm



Randy Dibble, Caller



Julie Stiers, Cuer

**Willamette Hall A, Linn County Fairgrounds
Albany, Oregon**

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DARRIN L. LANE
Administrative Officer

September 29, 2025

Dear Square Dancers,

Welcome back to the Linn County Fair - Expo for your Mid-Winter Festival. Our residents and businesses appreciate your event; it's always great to welcome friends back. Your outfits make it easy to locate your members around town. What bright colors!

As always, I want to ask you to consider spending some quality time in the county. Stop at the carousel in downtown Albany and take a wild ride on a hand-carved critter or visit the many purveyors of fine food for a good meal.

If the weather allows, I would like to suggest you visit one of our Linn County Parks. I especially invite you to McDowell Creek in the winter, with its many waterfalls, and just a short 45 minutes from town.

Be safe, no wild dancing.... follow the callers. Thank you so much for coming back. Please know we sincerely welcome you and appreciate your returning.

Sincerely,

Will Tucker, Commissioner
Linn County Board of Commissioners





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Hunter Keller



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MAY 22-24, 2026

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SQUARE DANCE

CHILD SAFETY

Children on the dance floor must be on their own two feet dancing, or in a carrier securely attached to either Mom or Dad. If the child is not in a carrier, you will be asked to leave the dance floor. This is for the safety of the child.




Heavenly Hoedown

Join us at 9:00 am on Sunday morning in the Mainstream Hall and enjoy dancing to an hour of Gospel music.



Caller: Phil Ramey

Cuer: Sandy Harris


Advanced Dancing - Conference Room 3

Advanced - Conference Room 3			
Friday, Jan. 23	Saturday, Jan 24	Saturday, Jan 24	Sunday, Jan 25
3:00 pm-4:00 pm Caller: Scott Zinser 4:00 pm-5:00 pm Caller: Rick Hawes 5:00 pm-6:00 pm Caller: Craig Abercrombie Hall Closed 6:00 to 7:30 pm 7:30 pm-8:30 pm Caller: Dean Black 8:30 pm-9:30 pm Caller: Randy Dibble 9:30 pm-10:15 pm Caller: Ray Brendzy 10:15 pm-11:00 pm Caller: Rick Hawes	10:00 am-11:00 am Caller: Craig Abercrombie 11:00 am-12 noon Caller: Ray Brendzy 12 noon-1:00 pm Caller: Dean Black 1:00 pm-2:00 pm Caller: Rick Hawes 2:00 pm-3:00 pm Caller: Randy Dibble 3:00 pm-4:00 pm Caller: Scott Zinser Hall Closed 4:00 to 7:30 pm	Hall Closed 4:00 to 7:30 pm 7:30 pm-8:30 pm Caller: Rick Hawes 8:30 pm-9:30 pm Caller: Randy Dibble 9:30 pm-10:15 pm Caller: Ray Brendzy	9:00 am-12:00 pm State Meeting Hall Closed 
Proper dance attire (unless otherwise stated), and festival ribbons are required on all dance floors. Shoes required on the dance floor. No hats will be worn while dancing.			


Clogging - Comfort Suites Hotel

Clogging - Comfort Suites Hotel - Linn-Benton Rooms		
<p>Friday, Jan. 23 REGISTRATION Starting at 7:15 pm</p> <p>7:30 pm-9:30 pm Programmed Dance Cuer's Choice with Andrew Perry Hall Closed</p> 	<p>Saturday, Jan 24 REGISTRATION 8:45 am-10:00 am</p> <p>9:00 pm-12:00 noon Workshop Cuer: Andrew Perry Hall Closed 12 noon to 1:30 pm</p> <hr/> <p>1:30 pm-4:30 pm Workshop Cuer: Andrew Perry Hall Closed 4:30 to 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Saturday, Jan 24</p>  <p>7:00 pm-10:00 pm Programmed Dance and Workshop Review with Andrew Perry Hall Closed</p>
<p>Featured National Instructor Andrew Perry - New York</p>		


Round Dancing - Santiam

Round Dance - Santiam			
Friday, Jan. 23	Saturday, Jan 24	Saturday, Jan 24	Sunday, Jan 25
<p>Hall Closed for dancing until 7:30 pm</p> <p>7:30 pm-8:30 pm Phase 3-4</p> <p>Cuer: Charles Moorehead</p> <p>8:30 pm-9:30 pm Teach Phase 3</p> <p>Cuers: JL and Linda Pelton</p> <p>9:30 pm-10:15 pm Phase 3-5</p> <p>Cuer: David Vomocil</p> <hr/> <p>Hall Closed</p>	<p>9:00 am-10:00 am ORDTA Meeting</p>	<p>3:00 pm-4:00 pm Teach Phase 2</p> <p>Cuers: JL and Linda Pelton</p> <p>Hall Closed 4:00 to 6:00 pm</p>	<p>10:00 am-11:00 am Teach Phase 4</p> <p>Cuers: JL and Linda Pelton</p> <p>11:00 am-12 noon Review Teaches</p> <p>Cuers: JL and Linda Pelton</p>
	<p>10:00 am-11:00 am Teach Phase 5</p> <p>Cuers: JL and Linda Pelton</p> <p>11:00 am-12 noon Teach Phase 5</p> <p>Cuers: JL and Linda Pelton</p> <p>12 noon-1:00 pm Phase 4-6</p> <p>Cuer: Randy Lewis</p> <p>1:00 pm-2:00 pm Phase 3-4</p> <p>Cuer: Rikki Lobato</p> <p>2:00 pm-3:00 pm Intro to Rounds</p> <p>Cuers: JL and Linda Pelton</p>	<p>6:00 pm-7:30 pm Showcase of Rounds</p> <p>7:30 pm-8:30 pm Phase 3-5</p> <p>Cuers: JL and Linda Pelton</p> <p>8:30 pm-9:30 pm Phase 3-4</p> <p>Cuer: Shawn Cavness</p> <p>9:30 pm-10:15 pm Phase 3-5</p> <p>Cuer: Tami Helms</p>	<p>12 noon-3:00 pm Trails Out Dance</p> <p>Caller: Ray Brendzy</p> <p>Cuers: JL and Linda Pelton</p> <hr/> <p>Hall Closed</p> 
Audio / Video Recording by Festival Permission Only			


Friday, January 23, 2026

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REGISTRATION BOOTH OPEN 1:00 PM TO 4:00 PM		
Willamette – A	Willamette – C	Conference Room 1
Mainstream 12 noon–1:00 pm Caller: Shaun McKamey Cuer: Cheri Cox 1:00 pm–2:00 pm Caller: Thomas Buchheit Cuer: Sherie Milling 2:00 pm–3:00 pm Caller: KC Curtis Cuer: Julie Stiers 3:00 pm–4:00 pm Caller: George Hermann Cuer: Tami Helms 4:00 pm–5:00 pm Caller: CC Gildewell Cuer: Sarge Gildewell 5:00 pm–6:00 pm Caller: Cheri Cox Cuer: Cheri Cox	Plus 3:00 pm–4:00 pm Caller: Chuck Simpkins Cuer: Lane Clem 4:00 pm–5:00 pm Caller: Phil Ramey Cuer: Sandy Harris 5:00 pm–6:00 pm Caller: Thomas Buchheit Cuer: Sherie Milling	Line & English Country Dance Hall Closed 
Opening Ceremonies and First Tip with Ray Brendzy and JL & Linda Pelton Mainstream Hall - 7:00 pm - 7:30 pm		
6:30 - 6:45 Committee Pictures - Willamette A		


Friday, January 23, 2026

Friday, January 23, 2026			
REGISTRATION BOOTH OPEN 6:00 PM TO 9:00 PM			
Willamette – A		Willamette – C	
Mainstream	Plus	Conference Room 1	
Opening Ceremonies and First Tip with Ray Brendzy and JL & Linda Pelton			
Mainstream Hall – 7:00 pm – 7:30 pm			
7:30 pm–8:30 pm Caller: Ray Brendzy Cuers: JL & Linda Pelton 8:30 pm–9:30 pm Caller: Roger Putzler Cuer: Julia Buchheit 9:30 pm–10:15 pm Caller: Terry Halley Cuer: Randy Lewis 10:15 pm –11:00 pm Caller: Ray Brendzy Cuer: Shawn Cavness	7:30 pm–8:30 pm Caller: Mark Wheeler Cuer: Tom Klug 8:30 pm–9:30 pm Caller: Ray Brendzy Cuer: Charles Morehead 9:30 pm–10:15 pm Caller: Scott Zinser Cuer: Julia Buchheit 10:15 pm –11:00 pm Caller: Craig Abercrombie Cuer: Katey Marteny	Hall Closed 	
Children on the dance floors must be on their own two feet dancing or in a carrier securely attached to either the Mom or Dad.			

Saturday, January 24, 2026

Saturday Morning, January 24, 2026			
REGISTRATION BOOTH OPEN 9:00 AM TO NOON			
Willamette – A		Willamette – C	
Conference Room 1		Line & English Country Dance	
Mainstream 9:00 am–10:00 am Caller: Cheri Cox Cuer: Cheri Cox		Plus 10:00 am–11:00 am Caller: Mark Wheeler Cuer: Cherie Cox	
10:00 am–11:00 am Caller: Ray Brendzy Cuer: Lane Clem		11:00 am–12 noon Caller: Rick Hawes Cuer: Sandy Harris	
11:00 am–12 noon Intro to Plus Caller: Darrell Kalmbach		12 noon–1:00 pm Caller: Randy Dibble Cuer: Lane Clem	
12 noon–1:00 pm Open Mic Session Caller: Chuck Simpkins			
No hats will be worn while dancing.			


Saturday, January 24, 2026

Saturday Day, January 24, 2026			
REGISTRATION BOOTH OPEN 1:00 TO 4:00 PM			
Willamette – A		Willamette – C	Conference Room 1
Mainstream 1:00 pm–2:00 pm Caller: CC Glidewell Cuer: Sarge Glidewell	Plus 1:00 pm–2:00 pm Intro to A Caller: Scott Zinser 2:00 am–3:00 pm Caller: Roger Putzler Cuer: Shawn Cavness		Line & English Country Dance 1:00 pm–3:00 pm Line Dance 3:00 pm–5:00 pm English Country Dance 5:00 pm–6:00 pm Line Dance
2027 MidWinter Festival Caller: Dean Black	 3:00 pm–4:00 pm Caller: Sandy Harris Cuer: Tom Klug 4:00 pm–5:00 pm Caller: Craig Abercrombie Cuer: Katey Marteny	 3:00 pm–4:00 pm Caller: Ray Brendzy Cuer: Tami Helms 4:00 am–5:00 pm Intro to C Caller: Randy Dibble	
 5:00 pm–6:00 pm Caller: Mark Wheeler Cuer: Sherie Milling		 5:00 pm–6:00 pm Challenge Caller: Randy Dibble	Hall Closed 6:00 to 6:30
Proper dance attire (unless otherwise stated), and festival ribbons are required on all festival dance floors Shoes required on the dance floor. No hats will be worn while dancing.			

Saturday, January 24, 2026

Saturday Evening, January 24, 2026			
REGISTRATION BOOTH OPEN 6:00 TO 9:00 PM			
Willamette – A		Willamette – C	Conference Room 1
Mainstream Hall Closed 6:00 to 6:30 6:30 pm–7:30 pm Caller: George Hermann Cuer: Tom Klug 7:30 pm–8:30 pm Caller: Ray Brendzy Cuer: Julie Stiers 8:30 pm–9:30 pm Callers: KC Curtis/Terry Halley Cuer: Charles Moorehead 9:30 pm–10:30 pm Callers: Shaun McKamey Cuer: Katey Marteny 10:30 pm–11:00 pm Callers: Ray Brendzy Cuer: Rikki Lobato		Plus Hall Closed 6:00 to 7:30 7:30 pm–8:30 pm Caller: Dean Black Cuer: Sarge Glidewell 8:30 am–9:30 pm Caller: Ray Brendzy Cuer: Randy Lewis 9:30 pm–10:30 pm Caller: Darrell Kalmbach Cuer: JL & Linda Pelton	Line & English Country Dance Hall Closed 6:00 to 6:30 6:30 pm–7:30 pm English Country Dance 7:30 pm–8:30 pm Line Dance 8:30 pm–9:30 pm English Country Dance 9:30 pm–10:00 pm Line Dance Hall Closed
<i>Children on the dance floors must be on their own two feet dancing or in a carrier securely attached to either the Mom or Dad.</i>			

Sunday, January 25, 2026

Sunday, January 25, 2026			
REGISTRATION BOOTH CLOSED			
Willamette – A		Willamette – C	Conference Room 1
Mainstream	Plus		Hall Closed 
9:00–10:00 am Heavenly Hoedown Callers: Sandy Harris/Phil Ramey Cuer: Sandy Harris	10:00 am–11:00 am Caller: Scott Zinser Cuer: Katey Marteny		
10:00 am–11:00 am Callers: Shaun McKamey/Darrell Kalmbach Cuer: Rikki Lobato	11:00 am–12 noon Callers: KC Curtis/Roger Putzler Cuer: Julie Stiers		
11:00 am–12 noon Caller: Thomas Buchheit Cuer: Tom Klug			
Santiam Building Mainstream Trails-Out Dance Noon to 3:00 PM Caller: Ray Brendzy Cuers: JL & Linda Pelton			

Special Meetings

Saturday		
ORDTA	9:00 –10:00 am	Santiam Building
Meet the Caller	9:00 – 10:00 am	Willamette, Conference 1
Educational Seminar	10:00 – 11:00 am	Willamette, Conference 1
OFSRDC Nominating Committee	11:00 –11:30 am	Willamette, Conference 1
Sunday		
OFSRDC (State Meeting)	9:00 am–12 noon	Willamette, Conference 3

Saturday Special Entertainment
6:00-7:30 pm- Santiam Building

"Showcase of Rounds"

Featuring Area Instructors
and Round Dancers



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Dear Mid-Winter Festival Participants,

We are excited to welcome you to back to Albany, Oregon for your Annual Oregon Midwinter Festival! We are celebrating right along with you, grateful to have hosted your festival for over 20 years at our Linn County Expo Center. Each year our community looks forward to seeing your colorful costumes and smiling faces, so welcome once again to Albany and thank you for brightening our season.

Over the last two decades, you've seen Albany's restoration efforts bring new life to our historic downtown and watched our carousel grow from a dream to reality. We know you'll be back again to take a ride on this world-class project. New on the carousel this year are Kiger the Mustang and Grizzly Berry. Be sure to stop by to see them and find out who's next to be complete. You might like to explore our historic districts with over 800 historic homes and buildings, find a treasure in our Albany Antique Mall or wander through the Heritage Mall to enjoy tax-free shopping.

The restaurants found in Albany are a draw all by themselves. With favorites like Sybaris, Loafer's, and Sweet Red, along with popular hangouts like Deluxe Brewery, Vault 244 and Calapooia, you're in for a treat. The ambiance of restaurants in historic buildings, coupled with unmatched hospitality and delicious food is always a draw to downtown Albany.

If you haven't already, please take a moment to stop by and visit our kiosk in the lobby we've stocked it up with more information just for you to help you enjoy your visit.

We are so glad you came to Albany for this fun-filled weekend. So let me say once again, on behalf of the Albany Visitors Association, welcome.

Sincerely,
Rebecca Bond, Executive Director
Albany Visitors Association
www.albanyvisitors.com
541-928-0911

**NOTICE TO ALL PARENTS/
GUARDIANS OF YOUTH DANCERS**

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THE MID-WINTER YOUTH
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BABYSITTING. WE PROVIDE SELF-RUN ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YOUTH TO PARTICIPATE IN IF THEY SO
CHOOSE AND A POSSIBLE GATHERING SPOT FOR
YOUTH DANCERS TO MEET UP AND/OR HANG
OUT OR TO PLAN A LATER MEET-UP FOR A SQUARE
OR A MEAL. WE DO **NOT** MAKE SURE THAT
THERE IS A SUPERVISING ADULT PRESENT.
ANY YOUTH WHO ARE RUNNING IN HALLS AND/OR
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Youth Fun!!!

Make sure that you check in at the Youth Table located in the Mainstream Hall for information about the youth activities this year.

Saturday Activities:

Song – Artist Matching—There are pictures of records up on various walls. The activity sheet has either an artist or a song per line. Find the matching record and fill in the missing information.



Music/Artist Facts—along with the pictures of the records there are some fun facts about the song and/or artist. Write down one or more and see if you can stump someone with the trivia.

Dress up - Saturday evening, everyone is encouraged to dress up in 50's/60's themed outfits. This is allowed all weekend. Puzzles, games and trivia—these will be available at the youth table.



Before you leave on Sunday—Youth ages 19 and under are able to select a free square dance outfit from Resale Clothing, 9:00 am – 10:30 am. Please note that this is **ONLY** on Sunday morning and the youth dancer must be present to select outfit. Resale

Clothing is not able to give outfits early or allow any pre-selection/saving of outfits.

For additional information, please check our youth guide on the Mid-Winter website: midwinterfestival.com or visit the youth table during Mid-Winter. You can also contact Karyn Buchheit at 503-873-5241 or by email at buchheidfarmkm@gmail.com

Youth ribbon scholarships are available – please contact Karyn Buchheit for more information.



First Aid

For Your Information

First Aid supplies are available at the ticket booth in the Main Lobby of the Willamette Building. Someone will be available to assess your needs and contact the appropriate party, i.e. First Aid Responders, Linn County EMS, etc. We cannot give out any medication, including over the counter drugs.

For emergency medical needs during non-festival hours, contact your hotel's front



desk (if you are a hotel guest). Contact the appropriate person if you are staying elsewhere.

For Life-Threatening Emergencies, Call 911.

**If a dancer goes down, do not
move the dancer! Wait for
Medical Aid!**

To contact someone at the Festival due to a family or other emergency call or text:
Karyn Buchheit: 503-383-4869

EDUCATION SEMINAR



**Oregon Federation of Square
and Round Dance Clubs**

Mid-Winter Festival 2026

Saturday, January 24, 2026

10:00-11:00 am

English Country Dance/Line Dance Hall

Someone's Hurt -- HELP!

Someone has been injured during your dance
-- before you do anything!

STOP! Look, and think before you do!

This important seminar was taught during the 2025 National Square Dance Convention and has been requested for the 2026 National Convention. The seminar is taught by Lorri McIntosh who has a Master of Science in Nursing, is a Registered Nurse and an Instructor.

During the seminar, Lorri will discuss how to evaluate injuries and know when to call for help. She will also give tips on how to keep the injured person safe.
Vicki Pounds will also give insurance information.

Every club should try to send at least one representative.
If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Roberts

Kathy Roberts, Publicity & Education Chairperson: kathy@4roberts.us

Please Support our Vendors

**Their commercial booths are located in
Willamette Hall-B between Mainstream
and Plus Halls**

Vendor Hall Hours:

Friday

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Open
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Closed for Dinner
7:00 pm - 10:30 pm	Open

Saturday

9:00 am - 5:00 pm	Open
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Closed for Dinner
7:00 pm - 10:30 pm	Open

Sunday

9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Open
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***DOORS WILL BE CLOSED 10 MINUTES PRIOR
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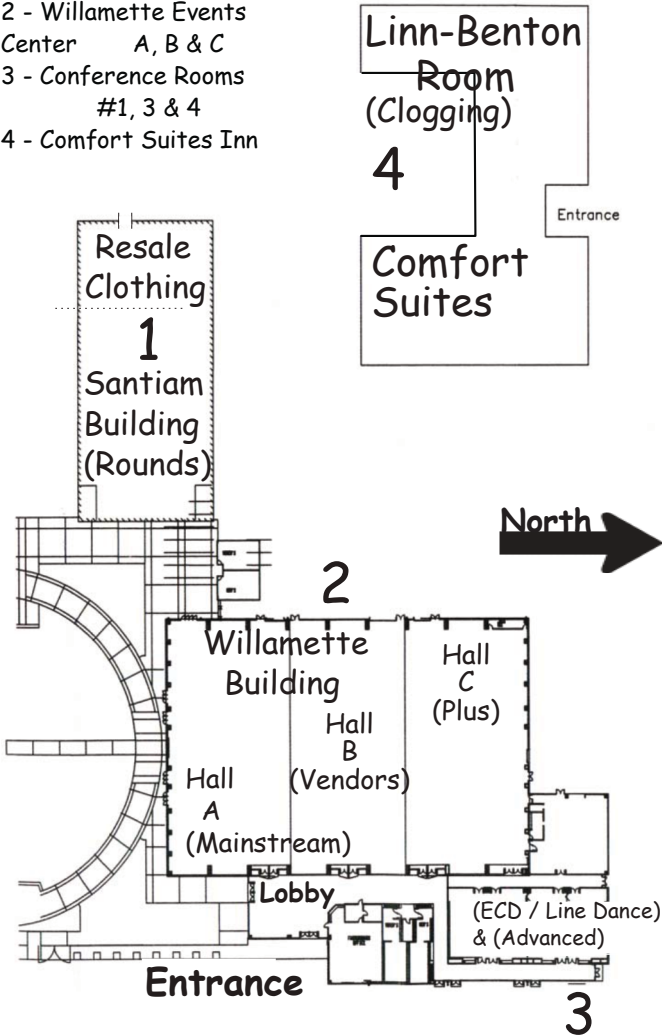
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**Vendors call Larry Reetz 541-913-6328 for
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Consignments: Thursday Jan 22 3:00 - 6:00 pm
Friday Jan 23 9:00 am - 12 noon
CLOSED 12 noon - 1:30 pm
Open 1:30 - 6:00 pm

NO CONSIGNMENTS ON SATURDAY

Sale Hours: Friday Jan 23 8:00 - 10:30pm
Saturday Jan 24 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
CLOSED FOR DINNER 4:00 - 7:30 pm
Last Chance Sale: 7:30 - 10:30 pm

NO SALES ON SUNDAY

Consignor Pickup Sunday Jan 25 8:00 - 10:00 am
Youth Free Outfit* 9:00 - 10:30 am

(*Youth are considered 19 years and younger, must be dancers and present to receive free outfit.)

CLOSED: 10:30 am

Clubs who have Resale Clothing at their location and would like to pick up any remaining donated items, please bring bags or boxes and come by Sunday 10:45-11:00 am.

Do you have items to sell?

Use the "Resale Clothing Online Form" on the Mid-Winter website to enter your resale clothing items www.midwinterfestival.com, click "Resale" on the top menu. Deadline for online entry is January 17, 2026, and for Postal Mail, January 10, 2026.

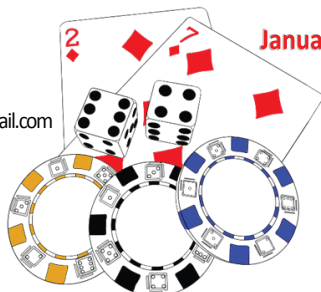
For questions, contact Sheila Machado at sheilainsalem@hotmail.com or 503-884-0158

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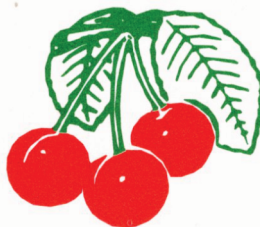


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