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# **SQUARE DANCE CONTEST & EXHIBITION**

Chair - Dwayne Hay, Fairhope, PA Co-Chair - Daniel Prosser, Dillsburg, PA Judge - Jerry Goshorn, Tom Mohney, Rob Bissey

Objective: To encourage participation in and to elevate the standards of performance in Square Dancing. See General Rules and Regulations online at <a href="https://www.farmshow.pa.gov/pafarmshow/exhibit/rules-regulations">https://www.farmshow.pa.gov/pafarmshow/exhibit/rules-regulations</a>
Submit entries online at <a href="https://www.farmshow.pa.gov/pafarmshow/exhibit/forms-registration">https://www.farmshow.pa.gov/pafarmshow/exhibit/forms-registration</a>

#### NEW: ALL ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLINE

#### **ENTRIES CLOSE NOVEMBER 15, 2023**

#### **Eligibility:**

- (a) All participants shall be residents of Pennsylvania.
- (b) Any club, organization, or group of individuals is eligible to participate.
- (c) All members of any set must conform to age requirements of the division in which they are to compete.
- (d) Each set must be uniformly, appropriately, and attractively costumed.

**Entry:** Entry must include the name of the club, organization, or group of individuals and the name and address of the leader or responsible member of the group. No entry fee is required. Any exhibitor who does not provide a valid Social Security number on their entry form will receive ribbons and plaques but **will not** receive premium payments if awarded. Payable-to information must match tax ID number.

Contest Music: Music and caller will be provided by the Farm Show Commission. Practice recordings are available from Dan Prosser, 19 North Fileys Rd., Dillsburg, PA 17019.

Contest: The contest will be held Monday, January 8, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

Square Dance Parade begins at 6:45 p.m.

#### Division 0001

- Class 1. Under 17 years of age. All members competing must be under 17 years of age at the time of the contest.
- Class 2. Between 15 and 25 years of age. All members competing must be at least 15 and not over 25 years of age at the time of the contest.
- Class 3. Open. Any age or combination of ages.

#### **Acceptance of Entries:**

- (a) The first 60 sets will be accepted regardless of division. These will be accepted in the order in which applications are received based on date and time of receipt in the Farm Show office.
- (b) Each set must fill out a separate entry form.

### Judging:

- (a) Contestants will be judged on their performance in three required square dances.
- (b) Considered in judging will be technique of the dancers; uniformity of action; response to the calls; rhythm of the dancers.

#### Awards:

- (a) Ribbons: The Danish system of judging will be used and placing will be Blue Ribbon for superior performance, Red Ribbon for excellent performance, White Ribbon for good performance. Each member of the set will be awarded a ribbon according to their placing.
- (b) Cash: \$950.00 will be awarded. This premium will be apportioned by Show Management according to the number of Blue, Red, and White placings in the final competition. No cash award will be over \$55.00.