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**The Missouri Federation of Square 'n Round Dance Clubs**  
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**The Place to Be in '23**

**October 13, 14, 15**

**2023 Missouri State Festival  
Lowell Mohler Assembly Hall  
Sedalia, MO.**

### **Nomination for Square Dancer of the Year**

The deadline for submission of nominees will be August 1, 2023. Please mail your nominations to the address below. Enclosed is a copy of the form and if you need more forms they may be obtained from the Missouri Federation website. The nomination form with required signatures **MUST** accompany the nomination or it will not be accepted.

The guidelines for nomination, as set forth by the Missouri Federation – Standing Rules Article X, are as follows;

Rationale: To further the stated goals and objectives of The Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs, Inc. there may be selected from member clubs one couple or person as the recipient of the "Square Dancer of the Year" honor.

#### **Section 1. Award:**

- A. Each recipient (couple or individual) will receive an appropriate plaque reflecting his / her name, the recipient's member club, the year of the award, the title of the award, and the organization presenting the award. The award will be presented at the Missouri state festival each year.
- B. Each recipient will receive an official "Square Dancer of the Year" badge that will be similar to his or her club badge. Each "Square Dancer of the Year" badge include the recipient's name, club

name, name of the federation, name of the award, and the year of the award.

- C. Each recipient or couple recognized as the "Square Dancer of the Year" will be entered onto a "Square Dancer of the Year" honor roll. The honor roll will consist of a wooden plaque duly identified as the "Square Dancer of the Year Honor Roll". Recipient's name(s), and year of presentation will be engraved onto a small brass plate and attached to the board after the official presentation. This honor roll will be on display at all state and national festivals.

#### Section 2. Committee:

- A. A standing committee that shall be called the "Square Dancer of the Year Selection Committee" shall select the recipient(s).
- B. The committee will be made up of all district presidents.
- C. The committee will select a member to act as chairman.
- D. The selection committee chairman shall make copies of the nominations that were post-marked or e-mailed by August 1 and mail or e-mail this information to the committee members for consideration. The chairman will conduct an in person meeting, video meeting, or a telephone conference with the committee members by September 15th to select the recipient(s). The name of the recipient(s) will be kept secret until the presentation at the state festival.

#### Section 3. Criteria for award:

- A. Recipient(s) must be a current member of a club affiliated with The Missouri Federation of Square 'N Round Dance Clubs, Inc.
- B. All dancers, regardless of the number of years they have been dancing, are eligible for this award.
- C. Any current member of an affiliated club may nominate a recipient for the award. The nomination may be submitted to any district president. The district president must forward all nominations received to the selection committee chairman prior to the August 1 deadline.
- D. Each person is eligible to receive this award only once.



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- E. Nominations will consist of a one-page submission containing the following:
1. Name(s) of nominees.
  2. Address and phone number of nominees.
  3. Name of federation club submitting the nomination.
  4. Name, address, and phone number of a contact within the club.
  5. A paragraph describing why the nominees should be recognized.
  6. A list of accomplishments related to square/round dancing achieved by the nominee(s).
  7. Nomination submissions shall be signed by two supporting club presidents from the nominating district (or representatives to the district if a club has no president) and endorsed by the district president.

Section 4. Guidelines for presentation of the award:

- A. The award shall be presented at the Saturday evening dance of the annual state festival.
- B. The award shall be made to only one couple or individual during any given year.
- C. The committee chairman and federation president shall present the award.
- D. The name of the recipient shall remain a secret until announced at the state festival.
- E. The selection committee will ensure that the recipient is present at the Saturday evening dance, if possible.

Section 5. Suggested guidelines for clubs / districts to follow in making nominations:

- A. Recipient(s) demonstrates good sportsmanship. Citizenship, Integrity, and Ethics that are becoming of a good square or round dancer.

- B. Recipient(s) promotes the well-being of square or round dancing through participation in activities associated with the conduct of club business.
- C. Recipient(s) promotes the well-being of square or round dancing by supporting club activities and lessons.
- D. Recipient(s) unselfishly assists at club dances by sharing functions, such as kitchen duty, food serving, and setup and breakdown of facilities to ensure that they are accomplished in a timely and considerate manner.
- E. Recipient(s) promotes square and round dancing when possible by participating with other dancers in such activities as demonstration dances, parades, fairs, or other community event in an effort to inspire interest and growth in square and round dancing.
- F. Recipient(s) volunteer to participate, when possible, as square or round dancers while providing service or entertainment to residents in health or residential care facilities. Other examples of volunteer activities include participating in school education programs, toys for tots, assisting with special dances to raise money for charitable causes, or any other charitable cause or function requiring the services of volunteers.

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