The 75th National Square Dance Convention® Presents

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Ted Lizotte

It's Been 75 Years: Why Change Now?

Ted will discuss the motivations behind the Transitionary Implementation Phase of the Program Policy (TIPPP) currently in progress at CALLERLAB and what it means for dancers, callers, and clubs. Rather than just focusing on lists and terminology, he'll highlight the larger vision: creating more opportunities for new callers, strengthening clubs, and ensuring a vibrant future for square dancing.

DATE: Thurs., June 25, 2026 | **TIME:** 9:30-10 a.m. | **LOCATION:** McLennan Hall #3, Waco Convention Center

Hailing from Manchester, NH, Ted is Chairman of the Board for CALLERLAB and has been featured at numerous conventions and festivals both nationally and internationally.

Ted learned to square dance in 1988 and began calling the same year. He began teaching classes in 1990s and has taught beginner calling classes every year since. He became the club caller for Tech Squares of MIT in 1997 and still teaches their 12-week Crash Course. Known for his smooth-flowing choreography and music usage, he calls Beginners through C1.

In 2017, Ted started his own music label and is the owner and producer of Throw Back Tunes and co-owns and produces TOTL Recordings with Tony Oxendine.

Ted has been a member of CALLERLAB since 1991 and earned Accredited Caller Coach designation in 2020. He has served on the CALLERLAB Board of Governors since 2018 and was elected to the Executive Committee in 2021. He was named CALLERLAB's Chairman of the Board in April 2023.

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