

## Tim Tyl

Tim grew up in a square dance family and began dancing in his early teens. In 1974, at age 15, Tim began calling and has been actively calling ever since. Tim calls and teaches lessons at all levels through A-2. He has called throughout the United States and in Germany.

Tim is currently on staff at Kirkwood Lodge and has served on staff for many years at Fun Valley and English Mountain square dance resorts. Tim has been a featured caller for numerous national, state, and regional conventions and festivals. He is a charter member of the East Texas Callers Association, member of Texas State Callers Association, and has been a member of Callerlab since 1980.

Tim is known for his highly energetic and exciting style of calling while using a wide variety of calls and musical styles. He is able to make the simplest choreography interesting and is also able to successfully move dancers through complex and unusual choreography. Tim is known for his quick wit, humor, and ability to keep dancers laughing at all times and for his unique performances of specialty songs. He specializes in calling for youth square dance groups, one night stands, and square dance parties for non-square dance groups, plus old time and traditional calling.

Tim has served on numerous panels and clinics at Callerlab and National Square Dance Conventions. He currently serves on Callerlab's Youth Committee and is also training committee chairman of the East Texas Callers Association. He has conducted caller schools, seminars, and clinics on a variety of topics for square dance clubs and associations. Tim currently serves as secretary of the Texas State Callers Association.

Tim and his wife, Sissy, also round dance and are former clogging instructors. Tim and Sissy began square dancing together in high school and were charter members of the East Texas Teen Twirlers, a teen square dance club, of which Tim was also co-club caller.