



Miami Valley Dance Council 2023 Honor Dancers

Mark and JoAnn Givens

Brookville Curli Q Square and Round
Dance Club

Brookville, Ohio

Mark and JoAnn live in Carlisle Ohio. They have been part of the dancing community since 2005, 17 years at the time of their nomination by the Brookville Curli Q Square and Round Dance Club.

They first took Square Dance lessons in 2005 from callers Ken Fish of Brookville Curli Qs and Lebanon Wheeler Dealers, and from Dick Winkler of Huber Heights Double H Squares. Mark and JoAnn first took Round Dance lessons in 2008 from Debbi Fish, and have been Round and Square Dancing ever since.

Mark began his journey into becoming a Square Dance Caller at the end of 2019, and has been teaching new Square Dancers for 3 years. JoAnn has begun steps into becoming a Round Dance Cuer at the beginning of 2024. We wish them well on their journeys in support of our dancing community.

Mark and JoAnn have long been Angels at the Curli Q's Square Dance classes, helping the new dancers learn. Mark has served as Curli Q Club Secretary for 2 years and Club President and Club Representative to MVDC for 8 years and ongoing. JoAnn has served as Curli Q Raid Chair and Caller Scheduler for 3 years. They have attended 8 Ohio Conventions, 6 National Conventions, and 3 other State Conventions, and many dance weekend trips. They have participated in many demos, parades, gone on Square Dance cruises, and Square Dance camping trips. They often camp at National Conventions and weekend events with other Square Dancers. Mark has served as MVDC Trustee and the MSSC Council Trustee representative for 2 years. At this time, they are the MVDC State Representatives to the Ohio Corporation of Dance Clubs, and are Chairs for the 2025 Ohio Dance Convention.

At the time of Honor Roll Dancer nomination by the Curli Qs, Mark and JoAnn had 450 raid/retrievals.

The Miami Valley Dance Council is proud to name for our 2023 Honor Dancers, Mark and JoAnn Givens.