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## Policies:

1. Ads, Club Reports, etc. are due on the Editor's Desk by 9pm Central Time on the 14<sup>th</sup> of the month, before the issue month (May 14 for the June issue). As of the January, 2024 issue, the deadline is the last Saturday of the month.
  2. Club Reports should be **limited** to **250** words, if at all possible.
  3. **The Editor reserves the right to omit, edit, or rewrite all submissions.**
  4. Letters to the Editor must be signed. **Names will be omitted upon request.**
  5. Non-commercial ads that are submitted to promote dance events within the Federation area are accepted **only** from ASSDF member clubs, organizations and their Callers.
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## Advertisements :

The **final print edition** will be the December, 2023 issue, with ad prices at \$35 for the print edition, and \$5 for the e-Edition, per page/insertion. As of the January, 2024 issue, e-Edition ad prices will be \$10 per page/insertion. Note that Advance Payment is required to the ASSDF Treasurer, and all ad copy should be sent to the Editor, by the deadline noted above. Please be sure that all the flier/ad copy/info is correct prior to submission for publication.



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**If you'd like to give back to this wonderful hobby, and serve as an ASSDF officer, please contact any ASSDF Board member. A photo of the 2023 ASSDF Executive Board is in the January, 2023 e-Edition.**



## *President's Message*

Tonia and I, along with the **ASSDF Board**, are asking for **Officer Nominations to review for 2024**...please contact us, if interested.

The Trail-in Dance & ASSDF Fall Festival Oct. 12–14 in Mtn. Home will be here soon!! It's not often we have 2 of the top callers in the US during the Fall Festival, with Gary Shoemake on Thursday night, and Charlie Robertson on Saturday night, alongside our club callers/cuers on Friday night and during the day Friday and Saturday. Please make your plans to attend! And, several special dances are coming up soon; see <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com.events> (**ASSDF website**) for more information.

Aug. 31 through Sept. 3, 2023 -- 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Chaparral Records "An Evening in Paris" Weekend, Paris, TX

Sept. 8-9, 2023 -- 74<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention® (NSDC) Fundraiser Square Dance Weekend, Bossier City, LA

Sept. 16, 2023 -- Bluebird Squares All Singing Calls Alphabetically Dance, Benton, AR

Sept. 20, 2023 -- Twirling Funtimers Chocolate Night Dance, Lakeview, AR

Sept. 25, 2023 -- Pioneers Hobo Dance, Mountain Home, AR

Sept. 30, 2023 -- Maverick Mixers 50's Dance, Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR

*Ted and Tonia Hofmeister, ASSDF President, 2023*

## Square/Round Dance Social Media/Websites:

Here are club Facebook pages (search for the groups), plus websites for square and round dance clubs, organizations, callers, and cuers. A full file with links is at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com> under **Resources**. If you, your club, or organization isn't listed below, please send an email to [assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com](mailto:assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com) with the info.

### Arkansas Clubs, Callers, and Cuers On Facebook:

Arkansas' Fall Festival, Arkansas State Square Dance Federation, Blue Belles & Beaus, Heber Springers Square Dance Club, Jubilee Squares, Levi's And Lace, Maverick Mixers, Pioneers, Square Dancing With Jay King (River City Squares), Star Steppers, The Three Amigos, Twirling Funtimers, and Twirling Lariats.

### Square/Round Dance Clubs/Organizations Websites:

Callerlab, Roundalab, National Square Dance Convention®, East Texas Square and Round Dance Association (ETSRDA), Rebel Rousers (Dallas, TX), Alliance of Round, Traditional, and Square Dance, Heart of America Single Square Dancers Association (HASSDA), and the Texas Association of Single Square Dancers (TASSD).

### Caller and Cuer Websites:

Nelda Eaton

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## *From The Editor*



Several wait until the last minute to post photos or info on Facebook. If I couldn't logon, **zero** photos would've been in the e-Edition; and I also would've missed info for special dances and club reports. Emailing these items to me at [assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com](mailto:assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com) is **faster**. Also, there are scammers in the club Facebook groups posting spam about T-shirts for the club. If your club has a Facebook page, you **MUST** be vigilant on this; or someone will get their identity stolen, be swindled out of funds, or lose their computer data!!

The Advance Registration Deadline for the 2023 **ASSDF Fall Festival** in Mountain Home is Sept. 30. A registration form and schedule are at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events> (the **ASSDF website**). The **Delegates Meeting** will be on Saturday morning, Oct. 14.

You can get a **free** E-Edition subscription by sending an email with your name and request to [assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com](mailto:assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com) -- copies of the e-Edition (current/back issues), and the current print & compact e-Edition, are at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square> (the **ASSDF website**). The **final print issue** will be December, 2023.

Please contact the Editor if your info in **The Modern Square** or on the **ASSDF website** is **wrong**...please call before you travel...and if weather or your health is an issue on a dance night, please stay home.

E-edition photos are from dances with the Maverick Mixers, Levi's And Lace, Star Steppers, Twirling Lariats, Pioneers, and from the **HASSDA** Dance in Springdale. Many thanks to Jody King, Ted Hofmeister, Ginny Short, and Carolyn Birdsong, for the photos.

**ASSDF Facebook Page:** <https://www.facebook.com/hootenandrea/>

**ASSDF Website:** <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com>

*Daryl Stout, Editor, Webmaster, Circulation Chairman*

# 73<sup>RD</sup> ARKANSAS STATE SQUARE DANCE FEDERATION FALL FESTIVAL & TRAIL END DANCE

HOSTED BY THE MOUNTAIN HOME PIONEERS

*Trail End Dance*      *AR State Square Dance Federation Fall Festival*

*Thursday night*

*Friday night*

*Saturday night*

*Gary Shoemaker*

*Club Callers*

*Charlie Robertson*



**Thursday - Saturday - October 12 - 14, 2023**



**Ramada Inn by Wyndham**



**1127 North East Highway 62 B – Mountain Home, AR**

*Stay & Dance at the same location - Ramada & Convention Center*

For room reservations, call the hotel at (870) 425-9191 – and mention the code MOONDANCE.

Questions call Roy Hestand @ (870) 329-1141 or Sheila @ (512) 968-4876

Early Registrations MUST be postmarked by Sept 30, 2023		Please make checks out to ASSDF	
TICKETS (PER PERSON)		YOUTH 18 and under, FREE with an adult.	# attending (please list below*)
Weekend Early Registration	@ \$30.00 = \$ _____	Weekend after 10/1/23	@ \$35.00 = \$ _____
Friday at the Door	@ \$20.00 = \$ _____	Saturday at the door	@ \$20.00 = \$ _____
Name(s) _____		Phone _____	
Address _____		City _____	State _____ Zip _____
E-mail _____		Club Name _____	

Tickets for the Trail End Dance purchased at the door for \$10 – day of dance / [arkansasquaredance.com](http://arkansasquaredance.com)

Mail Registrations and Payments to Sheila Gesing, 9760 Grant 7, Sheridan, AR 72150

## Hotels:

**Ramada by Wyndham** \$75 + tax nightly  
1127 Hwy 62 E, Mountain Home, AR 72653  
(870) 277-1790

## Camping :

Numerous locations. Please look online.

### **Local Contacts**

Roy Hestand (501) 329-1141

## Friday - October 13, 2023

1:00 pm - 4:30 pm – Registration  
10:00 am - 12:30 pm – Executive Meeting  
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm – Lunch Break  
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm – Intro to Rounds  
2:30 pm - 4:30 pm – Area Callers Dance  
4:30 pm – 6:00 pm – Dinner Break

## Friday Evening

Master of Ceremonies – Phil Moorehouse  
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm Rounds – Marge Sherrill  
7:00 pm Grand March  
7:15 pm Welcome by Ted Hofmeister  
7:30 pm – 10:00 pm – Area Club Callers Dance  
10:00 pm – 10:30 pm – After Party 74<sup>th</sup> Fall Festival



**Arkansas State  
Square Dance Federation**  
Harvest Moon Fall Festival  
Ramada by Wyndham, Mountain Home, AR

**Hosted by Pioneers Square Dance Club**  
October 13 - 14, 2023



## **Program Schedule**

See you in Mountain Home for all the FUN!

## Saturday - October 14, 2023

8:00 am – 8:30 am – Saturday Delegate Breakfast  
8:30 am – 10:30 am – Delegates Meeting  
10:30 am – 4:00 pm – Registration  
10:30 am – 11:30 am – Intro to Clogging Workshop  
10:30 am – 12:30 am – Caller Lab  
11:30 am – 12:30 pm – Lunch Break  
12:30 pm – 2:00 pm – Line Dancing Workshop  
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm – Intro to Plus Workshop  
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm – Dinner Break

## Saturday Evening

Master of Ceremonies – Phil Moorehouse  
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm Rounds – Marge Sherrill  
7:00 pm Parade of Clubs  
7:15 pm Welcome by Ted Hofmeister  
7:20 pm Introduction of Officers – Ted Hofmeister  
7:30 pm – 10:30 pm – Charlie Robertson  
9:00 pm – Basket/Silent Auction Results





# Maverick Mixers

## 50s Dance

Saturday - September 30, 2023

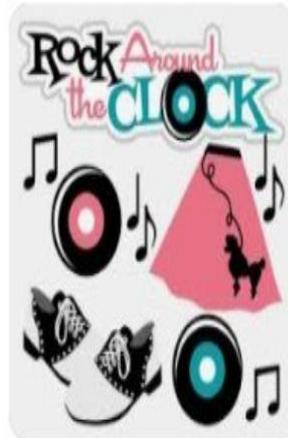
American Legion Hut - Leah Ln/Mann Rd - Mabelvale

Burgers - 6:00 PM

Dance - 7:00 to 9:00 PM

Caller - Phil Moorehouse

Admission: \$8 Guests



\$6 Members of Maverick Mixers

**Bluebird Squares Presents:  
The 3<sup>rd</sup> All Singing Calls Dance  
(alphabetically)**

**Callers Phil Moorehouse & Carolyn Birdsong**



**Sept. 16, 2023  
7:00 to 9:30**

**\$8.00 per dancer**

**Saline County Fairgrounds  
406 Fairfield Road, Benton, AR**

Questions? Carolyn Birdsong 501-813-7239

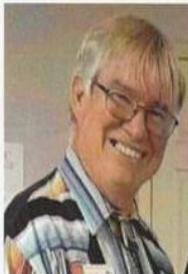
# 74<sup>TH</sup> National Square Dance Convention<sup>®</sup>

## Presents a Square Dance Weekend

### Friday & Saturday, September 8 & 9, 2023

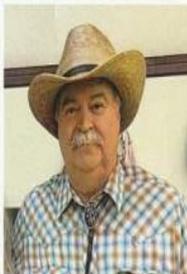
*Arkansas*

PHIL MOOREHOUSE



*Louisiana*

JOEY DUHAMEL



*Texas*

TIM TYL



-----ROUND DANCE CUERS-----



MARTIN  
PHILYAW

*Louisiana*



KEN  
VANTIGER

*Louisiana*

**Friday 7:00 – 10:00**

**Saturday 10:00 – 12:00 // 1:30 – 4:30 // 7:00 – 10:00**

For information contact Ted Hofmeister at (501) 520-7270 or email [chair@74thnsdc.com](mailto:chair@74thnsdc.com)



## PROMENADE HALL



5400 Benton Road – Bossier City, LA

SPECIAL FUND RAISER 74<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION<sup>®</sup>

***Dancing  
on the Wild Side***

\$40.00 per person



# Where are your special events?

Please notify *The Modern Square* Editor of your club's special events with all pertinent information included. The sooner **all** information is provided, the earlier the listing will appear. Further information is at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events>

## National Square Dance Convention® (NSDC)

**2024 - June 26-29, 2024**

**73<sup>rd</sup> NSDC Host City:  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin**

**2025 - June 25-28, 2025**

**74<sup>th</sup> NSDC Host City:  
Shreveport, LA**

**2026 - June 24-27, 2026**

**75<sup>th</sup> NSDC Host City:  
Waco, TX**

**2027 - June 23-26, 2027**

**76<sup>th</sup> NSDC Host City:  
To Be Announced**

Registration forms for the **2024 NSDC** are elsewhere in this issue. The costs **INCREASE** (and no refunds) on May 1 prior to the next **NSDC**. Links to upcoming **NSDC** websites are located at <https://nsdcnec.com>

**National Squares e-Magazine** is published from August through May in the interest of the **NSDC**, by the host city of the upcoming **NSDC**. Go to <https://nsdcnec.com/national-squares-e-magazine/> for links to thumbnails of the last 10 issues; then click on the desired one to view, or download and print the PDF file.

Topics covered include Registration/Housing/RV Camping, Callers School (before the **NSDC**), badges/ribbons, Solo/Single Dancers (not married or without a partner), program books/schedules (individual and total), souvenirs, vendors, dance facilities map, Wednesday Night Dinner And Show, Trail-End Dances, Group Exhibitions, Workshops, Tours, Pre/Post Convention Events, Restaurants, Travel Options and Places To Visit, Various **NSDC** Committees, Info on the Upcoming **NSDC**'s, First Aid, Educational Forums, Fashion Show, Showcase Of Ideas, Sew And Save, General Info, Ceremonies, Ads, and much more.

# Special Events

**Please call before traveling**, to check for last-minute cancellations. If you're feeling ill, or if bad weather's an issue, please stay home. Info on Club Contacts, plus Callers and Cuers are elsewhere in this issue.

Clubs that are **DARK** aren't noted in the cancellation listings, or in the Google Events calendar, on the ASSDF website under **UPCOMING EVENTS** at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events>

The dances and festivals outside of Arkansas are from the states adjacent to Arkansas, or nearby...including Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma, & Kansas. Note that the National Square Dance Convention ® events will always be listed, no matter what state it'll be in. These dances are also on the **ASSDF website** (the URL is noted above).

**Note:** With the e-Edition released around the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month, I'll include dances in the e-Edition of the prior month from the 15<sup>th</sup> to the end of that month. Note that the print edition **ENDS** with the December, 2023 issue; and for the January, 2024 issue (e-Edition), this "partial month data" will **NOT** be included. Please send info/fliers on out of state dances/festivals to the Editor at [assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com](mailto:assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com)

## AUGUST 16-31, 2023

**Aug. 16, 2023 – Twirling Funtimers Salad Night Dance.**  
Lloyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview, AR. Dance at 7pm. Caller: Donna Gellenbeck. Cuer: Marge Sherrill. See the flier on the ASSDF website for more info.

**Aug. 19, 2023 – Bluebird Squares** are **DARK** tonight. The **All Singing Calls Dance** has been **MOVED** to Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Aug. 25, 2023 – Levi’s And Lace Banana Split Ice Cream Social Dance.** Lake Hamilton Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 2891 Airport Road, Hot Springs, AR. Dance at 7pm. Caller: Gene Gancarczyk

**Aug. 31 through Sept. 3, 2023 – Chaparral Records 27<sup>th</sup> Annual “An Evening In Paris” Square And Round Dance Weekend.** Paris, TX. Callers: Darryl Lipscomb, Tony Oxendine, Buddy Weaver, Ken Bower, and Gary Shoemake, with special Guest Callers Tim Tyl and Scott Bennett. Cuers: Jan and David Toms. See the flier on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

## SEPTEMBER 2023

**Sept. 4, 2023 – Pioneers are DARK tonight.**

**Sept. 4, 2023 – Mineola Railers Labor Day Special Dance.** Mineola, TX. Callers: Buddy Weaver and Tim Tyl. See the flier on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**Sept. 8-9, 2023 – 74<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention ® Fundraiser Square Dance Weekend.** Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Callers: Phil Moorehouse, Joey Duhamel, and Tim Tyl. Cuers: Martin Philyaw, & Ken Vantiger. See the flier elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**Sept. 16, 2023 – Bluebird Squares 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual All Singing Calls Alphabetically Dance.** Saline County Fairgrounds, 406 Fairfield Road (Exit 116 and I-30), Benton, AR. Dance at 7pm. Callers: Carolyn Birdsong and Phil Moorehouse. See the flier elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info. **\*\* NOTE REVISED DATE \*\***

**Sept. 20, 2023 – Twirling Funtimers Chocolate Night Dance.** Lloyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview, AR. Dance at 7pm. Caller: Donna Gellenbeck. Cuer: Marge

Sherrill.

**Sept. 25, 2023 – Pioneers Hobo Dance.** St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 511 Coley Drive, Mountain Home, AR. Dance at 6:30pm. Caller: Roy Hestand

**Sept. 29 through Oct. 1, 2023 -- Branson Explosion Of Color,** Branson, MO. Callers: Tony Oxendine, Gary Shoemake, and Mike Hogan. Cuers: Tony and Carolyn Ahart. See the flier on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**Sept. 30, 2023 – Maverick Mixers 50's Dance.** American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale, AR. Burgers at 6pm, Dance from 7pm to 9pm. \$6 for members, \$8 for visitors. Caller: Phil Moorehouse. See the flier elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

## OCTOBER 2023

**Oct. 12-14, 2023 – 73<sup>rd</sup> ASSDF Fall Festival,** Mountain Home, AR. Sponsored by the Pioneers Square Dance Club and the ASSDF. Trail-End Dance Oct. 12 – Caller: Gary Shoemake. (Separate Admission, payable at the door). Oct. 13 – Arkansas Callers and Cuers. Oct. 14 – Caller: Charlie Robertson. See the flier and schedule elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info. Note that **Advance Registrations must be postmarked by Sept. 30, 2023.**

**Oct. 13, 2023 – Heber Springers and Levi's And Lace** are **DARK** tonight.

**Oct. 14, 2023 – Maverick Mixers** are **DARK** tonight.

**Oct. 27, 2023 – Heber Springers Dan Nordbye Dance.** Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Dance at 7pm. Caller: Dan Nordbye

## NOVEMBER 2023

**Nov. 13, 2023 – Mineola Railers Veterans Day Dance.** Mineola, TX. Callers: Tim Tyl and Dale Smith. See the flier on the ASSDF website for more info.

**Nov. 22, 2023 – Twirling Funtimers are DARK tonight.**

**Nov. 23, 2023 – Swingin' Cavaliers are DARK tonight.**

## DECEMBER 2023

**Dec. 16, 2023 – Bluebird Squares Santa And His Elf Christmas Dance.** Saline County Fairgrounds, 406 Fairfield Road (Exit 116 and I-30), Benton, AR. Dance at 7pm. Callers: Carolyn Birdsong and Phil Moorehouse

**Dec. 18, 2023 – Mineola Railers Ugly Sweater Dance.** Mineola, TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flier on the ASSDF website for more info.

**Dec. 25, 2023 – Pioneers and Star Steppers are DARK tonight.**

## JANUARY 2024

**Jan. 1, 2024 – Pioneers are DARK tonight.**

## MARCH 2024

**Mar. 16, 2024 – 74<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention ® Pre-Convention Dance.** Shreveport Convention Center, 400 Caddo Street, Shreveport, LA. Callers: Phil Moorehouse, Tim Tyl, Joey Duhamel, and Larry Marchese. Cuers: Martin Philyaw and Ken Vantiger. **Free admission with pre-registration to the 74<sup>th</sup> NSDC.** See the flier on the ASSDF website for more info.

## MAY 2024

### **May 24-26, 2024 – Mineola Railers Mainstream**

**Extravaganza.** Mineola, TX. Callers: Tim Tyl and Shane Greer. Cuer: Martin Philyaw. See the flier on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

## JUNE 2024

### **June 26-29, 2024 – 73<sup>rd</sup> National Square Dance Convention**

®. Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Info at <https://73nsdc.com> – a registration form is elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website**.

## OCTOBER 2024

**Oct. 10-12, 2024 – 74<sup>th</sup> ASSDF Fall Festival, “Twirling Under The Stars”**, White Hall, AR (Trail-End Dance Oct. 10).

## JUNE 2025

### **June 25-28, 2025 – 74<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention**

®. Shreveport, Louisiana. Info and an Early Bird Registration Form are at <https://74thnsdc.com>

## JUNE 2026

### **June 24-27, 2026 – 75<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention**

®, Waco, Texas. Info and an Early Bird Registration Form are at <https://75nsdctx.com/>

# *Club Reports*

## **Bluebird Squares**

Everyone needs to put their game faces on because the Razorback season starts September 2<sup>nd</sup>! Woooooo Pig Soooooie! I love them Hogs!

You might just be amazed by putting up just one hummingbird feeder now! Simple recipe: heat up 3/4 cup of water and add 1/4 cup of sugar to simmer. Turn off and let cool. Pour in clean feeder and hang up where you can watch it! You've got to change it out every other day in this heat though but it's well worth it! I love all birds but the flying jewels are very amazing!

Because of a Christian revival at the Fairgrounds August 19<sup>th</sup>, we have **moved** the **All Singing Call Dance** (alphabetically) to September 16<sup>th</sup>! Joining me again will be Phil Moorehouse! We never know what Phil will pull out of his caller bag to keep it alphabetical! The line dancing will not be alphabetical this year. We were too restricted! It's going to be fun! Hope to see ya'll there!

We took some time off, but my Ferndale group will be dancing on a Friday in September.

Ya'll come on over and laugh and dance with us!

*Carolyn Birdsong*

## **Heber Springers**

We've started a Dancers Of The Month club! This month's winners are Lueen and Roger Skipper of Rosebud, Arkansas. I have to say they're the sweetest couple ever, they met Squareing Thru four, and have been Squareing it up ever since! You can see them on our Facebook page.

*Kim Deane*

## Maverick Mixers

We had 3 squares at our July 22 dance, including visitors from the Levi's And Lace, Bluebird Squares, Blue Belles And Beaus, Twirling Lariats, and Star Steppers. To give our own Phil Moorehouse a bit of a break, Carolyn Birdsong of the Bluebird Squares did 2 singing calls and John Hofmeister did 1 singing call. Phil also worked Carousel Promenade. Our July 29 **Barn Dance** had 2 squares, with beans and taters beforehand. Several photos from our July 22 and 29 dances are in the e-Edition, and on our Facebook page.

A report on our Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> **50's Dance** will be in the November report; see the flier in the e-Edition, and on the ASSDF website for more info. Note that we're **DARK** on Oct. 14, for the **ASSDF Fall Festival**.

Be sure to check our Facebook page, or call before you travel, to check for any last-minute cancellations.

*Daryl Stout*

## Pioneers

Our next special dance is our **Hobo Dance** on September 25<sup>th</sup> -- come dressed as your best Hobo. Two photos from our July 24<sup>th</sup> dance are in the e-Edition, with several more on our Facebook page.

Hope to see you all in October here in Mountain Home for our State Dance. Don't forget Gary Shoemake on Thursday, brought to you by the "Pioneers".

*Roy Hestand*

## River City Squares

What a fun weekend at the **HASSDA** Special in Springdale, Arkansas! A bunch of River City Squares, (Fort Smith, Arkansas) and friends, danced, mixed, and mingled, during the weekend. We had 23 dancers from the "River Valley" area, including Stan and Beth Neidecker, who

have recently moved back to our area. Several pictures are in the e-Edition, and on our Facebook page “Square Dancing With Jay King”.

*Jody King*

## **Twirling Funtimers**

Hello everyone! Hope your summer is going great, and you are staying cool. Fall will be here soon with all of the beautiful colors.

Our August 16<sup>th</sup> salad night was fantastic. We had some wonderful salad combinations and all were very tasty.

Our students are learning a lot. They are now staying to dance with our club dancers and doing very well. They still need lots of practice to respond to the taught calls a little faster (muscle memory), but our angels have lots of patience. We're all having fun, and we are up to two squares almost every week now.

Is Chocolate a favorite flavor for you? Come join us for our Chocolate night. How many ways can you use Chocolate? One way to find out is to come dance with us on September 20<sup>th</sup>, and enjoy the selections.

We dance every Wednesday at the Lloyd Travis Municipal building at 14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview AR. Donna Gellenbeck and Ken Jarman are our callers, and Marge Sherrill is our Cuer. Current square dance lessons are one hour, from 6-7pm, with Mainstream and Plus Square and Round Dancing from 7-9pm.

Follow us at <https://www.facebook.com/twirlingfuntimers> on Facebook.

*Donna Gellenbeck*

## **Twirling Lariats**

On August 4<sup>th</sup>, we had a slightly different dance. Entergy had to turn off power to Hut in order to restore others in neighborhood. Power was

off about 15 minutes. There's a dangle for dancing in the dark, called "blackout". Now, dancers have an excuse one can say that "if they broke down, they were in the dark", "Dancing with a dolly with a hole in her stocking by the light of the moon, "and "Dancing in the dark".

September is "International Square Dancing month. Square dancing is a style of country dancing, that typically includes 4 couples who face into the center of square, completing moves as they are announced by a caller. We can celebrate by heading out to a square dance.

Labor Day is September 4<sup>th</sup>. It falls on the first Monday of September. By the time it became an officially celebrated holiday in 1894, thirty states in the U.S.. officially celebrated Labor Day. Hot dogs, ribs, hamburgers, and chicken wings. And speaking of which...

Recipe: 2 ingredients chicken wings and baking powder

Preheat oven to 250 degrees. Line a large baking sheet with foil. Place a cooling wire rack on top and spray surface with cooking oil spray. Place wings in a single layer on the cooling rack, making sure none of them touch or overlap. Bake for 30 minutes on lower section of oven. Raise oven temperature to 425 degrees. Place wings back into the oven, this time in the upper middle section of the oven. Bake wings for about 50 minutes, or until they reach desired crispiness.

Anniversaries: Blake and Amanda Throgmartin

Birthdays: Chris Hooten and John Hofmeister

Joey Duhamel is our wonderful caller. We dance on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Fridays, at American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane, Mabelvale, Arkansas. So, off your seat on your feet. Put on your dancing shoes, dance, laugh, and fellowship.

*Ginny Short*



# Club Directory

Clubs that are **DARK** are **NOT** in the **Google Events Calendar** on the ASSDF website (<https://www.arkansassquaredance.com>). Note that clubs that are **DANCING** may have to cancel a regular dance, or change the dance days, times, and locations, at the last minute, for various reasons. **Please call before you travel**; and if you feel ill, or if bad weather is an issue on a dance night, please stay home.

Please advise the Editor if info for the clubs noted, or for the info in the Callers And Cuers section, is wrong; or if your club is changing their dance dates, times, locations, etc. Lastly, check with the caller, cuer, or club contact for the dance level, if the club has a pre-dance workshop, admission cost, and if the club is “couples only” or welcomes singles (not married, or without a dance partner).

## Benton

Bluebird Squares – 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, 7pm **DANCING**  
Saline County Fairgrounds, 406 Fairfield Road (Exit 116 & I-30)  
Caller: Carolyn Birdsong  
Contact: Carolyn Birdsong, 28912 Bandy Road, Little Rock, AR 72223 (501) 813-7239

## Charleston

Swingin' Cavaliers – Thursday, 7pm **CALL BEFORE YOU TRAVEL**  
Hug Chevrolet, 415 East Main  
Callers: Anita Vandergriff and Ron Keeling  
Contact: Anita Vandergriff, 8215 Tyro Road, Hackett, AR 72937 (479) 274-9775  
Contact: Ron Keeling (479) 629-4736

## **Fort Smith**

River City Squares – Tuesday, 6:30pm **DANCING**

Fort Smith Senior Center, 2700 Cavanaugh Road

Caller: Jay King

Contact: Jay King, 1402 North 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Van Buren, AR  
72956 (479) 474-8500

## **Hot Springs**

Levi's And Lace – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday, 7pm **DANCING**

Lake Hamilton Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 2891 Airport  
Road

Caller: Gene Gancarczyk

Contact: Ted and Phyllis Keeney, 1807 Nubbin Ridge Road,  
Royal, AR 71968 (501) 991-3292

## **Judsonia**

Blue Belles And Beaus – 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 7pm

**DANCING**

Judsonia Community Center, 601 Judson Street

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

Contact: Robert and Cheryl Shaver, 146 Opie Road, Bald Knob,  
AR 72010 (501) 724-3930

## **Lakeview**

Twirling Funtimers – Wednesday, Pre-Rounds at 6:30pm, Dance  
at 7pm **DANCING**

Loyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane

Callers: Ken Jarman (1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday) and Donna Gellenbeck (2<sup>nd</sup>  
through 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday)

Contact: Rob and Donna Gellenbeck, 139 Dogwood Lane,  
Lakeview, AR 72642 (870) 620-0037

## **Little Rock (Mabelvale)**

Twirling Lariats – 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and selected 5<sup>th</sup> Friday, 7:30pm

### **DANCING**

American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane) -- \$7 per person

Caller: Joey Duhamel

Contact: Clifton Taylor and Carolyn Cullins, 9027 Highway 5 North, Alexander, AR 72002 (501) 847-2157

Maverick Mixers – 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and selected 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday, 7pm

### **DANCING**

American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane) -- \$8 per person

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

Contact: Daryl Stout, P.O. Box 55655, Little Rock, AR 72215 (501) 690-8325

## **Mountain Home**

Pioneers – Monday, 6:30pm **DANCING**

Saint Andrews Episcopal Church, 511 Coley Drive

Caller: Roy Hestand

Contact: Roy Hestand, 55 Fletcher Street, Mountain Home, AR 72653 (870) 329-1141

## **Rose Bud**

Heber Springers – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday, 7pm **DANCING**

Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

Contact: Kim Deane, 4326 Highway 92 West, Bee Branch, AR 72013 (501) 757-2030

## **White Hall (Pine Bluff)**

Star Steppers – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday, 7pm **DANCING**

White Hall Media Center (Scout Hut), White Hall City Park, 700  
Andersen Avenue

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

Contact: Sheila Gesing, 9760 Grant 7, Sheridan, AR 72150  
(870) 942-2273

## **Texarkana (New Boston, TX)**

Guys N Dolls – 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, 7pm **DANCING**

Old Fellows Lodge, New Boston, TX

Caller: Nelda Eaton

Contact: Rhonda Bailey, 111 Wood Duck Lane, Texarkana, TX  
75501 (903) 276-3422



# Arkansas Club Callers And Cuers

## **Birdsong, Carolyn**

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Little Rock, AR 72223  
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[Arkansas.bluebird@yahoo.com](mailto:Arkansas.bluebird@yahoo.com)

*Bluebird Squares*

## **Bownderville, Boyce**

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M/P

*Pistols N Petticoats*

## **Duhamel, Joey**

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Baskin, LA 71219  
Cell: 870- 209-3646

[jdcalls@yahoo.com](mailto:jdcalls@yahoo.com)

M/P

*Twirling Lariats*

## **Eaton, Nelda**

P.O. Box 1118  
New Boston, TX 75570  
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Cell: (903) 278-8068

M/P

[EatonSDCaller@gmail.com](mailto:EatonSDCaller@gmail.com)

*Guys And Dolls*

## **Gancarczyk, Gene & Carolyn**

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Percy, AR 71964  
(501) 767-6354

## **King, Jay and Jody**

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Van Buren, AR 72956  
(479) 474-8500

P/A: Rounds 1-3

[jayking@cox.net](mailto:jayking@cox.net)

*River City Squares*

## **Moorehouse, Phil**

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*Blue Belles And Beaus  
Maverick Mixers  
Star Steppers  
Heber Springers*

## **Ritter, Art**

1213 Oak Acres Drive  
Bryant, AR 72019  
(501) 326-8003

## **Vandergriff, Anita**

8215 Tyro Road  
Hackett, AR 72937  
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*Swingin' Cavaliers*

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[geneamdcarolyn@sbcglobal.net](mailto:geneamdcarolyn@sbcglobal.net)

*Levis And Lace*

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*Twirling Funtimers*

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*Pioneers*

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*Twirling Funtimers*

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**White, Gordon & Susan**

6 Perfecto Place  
Hot Springs Village, AR  
71913  
(501) 822-0803

squareup8.yolasite.com

[white3297@hotmail.com](mailto:white3297@hotmail.com)

P: Yes

**Wise, Ron**

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White Hall, AR 71602  
(870) 267-0702

[ronwise@prodigy.net](mailto:ronwise@prodigy.net)

**Highest Calling Or Cueing Level:**

**M – Mainstream    P – Plus    A – Advanced (A1/A2)**

**1-6 – Round Dance Phase Cueing**

**If Yes is noted, they are available for Special Dances**

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 Wisconsin Center - June 26, 27, 28, 29, 2024  
 400 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53203  
 A Great Convention, in a Great City, On a Great Lake  
 Register online at [73nsdc.com](http://73nsdc.com)

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 Registration # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Received \_\_\_\_\_  
 Payment Processed \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check# or Ref # \_\_\_\_\_

RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:  
 Jim & Katie Green  
 73rd NSDC  
 2709 W. Wisconsin Ave.  
 Wauwatosa, WI 53213

Reg Form 01/01/23

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone 2: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \*E-mail address will only be shared with the NEC  Check if you do not want your email shared.

First Name & Last Name for CONVENTION BADGES		Subtotals
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2. Adult	_____	\$ _____
3. Adult/Youth	_____ ** DOB _____	\$ _____
4. Adult/Youth	_____ ** DOB _____	\$ _____
5. Adult/Youth	_____ ** DOB _____	\$ _____

- Magnet for Badge** (pins provided free) # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 2.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Program Book & Daily Schedules (\$25 after 4/30/2024) # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Round Dance Syllabus -  USB Drive or  Printed copy (Must be purchased by 4/30/2024) # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Printed copy & USB (Must be purchased by 4/30/24) # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$30.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sew & Save Book -  USB Drive or  Digital Download # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Wednesday Night Entertainment - "Wisconsin Singers" # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 RV Camping **From back side of form - Deposit Only** # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$75.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bus Pass (Campers Only - Cost to be billed separately) # \_\_\_\_\_ Price TBD \_\_\_\_\_  
 Convenience Fee for Credit Card Processing @ \$ 3.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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 Check Enclosed  Cash (In Person) - Receipt # \_\_\_\_\_  Credit Card  
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Dressy casual attire allowed until 6pm. Proper dance attire is requested after 6pm for all dancers.  
 73rd NSDC Convention badge required for entrance to all convention activities.  
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- You can complete this form and pay online at [www.73nsdc.com](http://www.73nsdc.com).
  - Please PRINT legibly to ensure accuracy of information.
  - If you have already PRE-REGISTERED using our short form, please enter names in the appropriate space for each badge and enter \$0 (zero) in subtotal by each name already registered to avoid duplicate charge. If not pre-registered, enter registration fee for each dancer plus quantity and correctly calculated amounts in the subtotal lines; then calculate and enter the total due.
  - Registration fees: Adult \$65; Youth ages 5-17 by 6/26/2024 - \$32.50 Under 5 Free.
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  - Registrations are non-transferable.
  - No One-, Two-, or Three-Day Registrations.
  - A \$10.00 fee per registrant will be imposed for cancellations or changes before April 30, 2024. No refunds after April 30, 2024.
  - Registrations received after April 30, 2024, will receive e-mail confirmation. If sending by mail include credit card information, check, or money order payable in U.S. funds to 73rd NSDC with this form. Do not send cash.
  - If registering by email, omit payment information on form. You will receive an invoice by email. (Note \$3.00 CC payment convenience fee.)

**TOURS can be purchased on separate brochure or online at [73nsdc.com/tours](http://73nsdc.com/tours)**

DANCERS - PLEASE HELP US PLAN! Check all that apply.  
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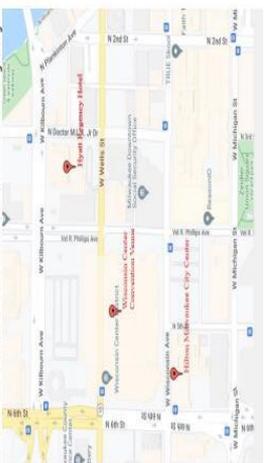
**PROGRAMMED CALLERS & DANCE LEADERS**  
 You must update your profile online by 12/31/23 at [sdconvention.com](http://sdconvention.com)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Type: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**HOTEL & CAMPING INFORMATION ON REVERSE**  
 Convention Hotels and Campgrounds must be reserved through 73rd NSDC Registration & Housing for 73rd NSDC rates.  
 Check box if you will manage your own accommodations.

More information available at [www.73nsdc.com](http://www.73nsdc.com)

**MAP OF HOTELS - connected to Conv Center by Skywalks**



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS	
1	Conv Hotel - Hilton Milwaukee City Center – Single/Double Triple + \$20 – Quad + \$40 Parking fee - \$5 per day (in & out) for Hilton guests. \$169+tx
2	Leader Hotel - Hyatt Regency Milwaukee – Single/Double Triple + \$20 – Quad + \$40 \$169+tx

Indicate choice of hotel preference by specifying code number: #1 \_\_\_ #2 \_\_\_  
 Assignments will be made in order of registration form received & according to availability. Hotels assigned on first come basis. This form must be received and rooms must be booked by May 20, 2024 to guarantee 73rd NSDC pricing.

Room nights needed: (4 Night Minimum)  
 S 6/22  S 6/23  M 6/24  T 6/25  W 6/26  T 6/27  F 6/28  S 6/29  S 6/30  
 # Additional arrive early? \_\_\_ or stay late nights? \_\_\_ Total nights requested \_\_\_  
 Room request: \_\_\_ Single \_\_\_ Double \_\_\_ Queen \_\_\_ King \_\_\_  
 \_\_\_ King Suite (Hilton only + \$75) ) \_\_\_ Handicap Accessible

**SHARED ROOMS** - only one person per room should complete a hotel registration request. Please list all room occupants here: \_\_\_\_\_

**Housing Committee does not find or assign roommates.**

**BLOCK HOUSING: Group** requests must be received by January 2, 2024. Everyone that is part of a Block Housing Group must fill in Block Name and Block Leader Name.

Block Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Block Leader Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_

No airport shuttle services provided. See [www.73nsdc.com](http://www.73nsdc.com) for transportation information.  
 Register and submit your hotel room choice early (on the form or online) to have the best chance of having your selection available, and no later than May 20, 2024. A web link and phone number to the hotel reservation system will be sent to attendees in the order that the forms are received. **Note that hotels will not take your reservation for our convention until July 1, 2023.** The hotel will provide your confirmation number as you provide your credit card number to hold the room. You must be registered for the convention with a registration number to receive the convention contracted rate. No self or online registration is available for the contracted rate except through the web link and phone number which will be provided by convention Housing Vice-Chairman: [housing@73nsdc.com](mailto:housing@73nsdc.com).

**RV & CAMPING ACCOMMODATIONS**

Campground	Distance	Deposit
WI State Fair Park RV Park 601 S 76th St., West Allis, WI 53214	5 miles / 20-minute drive	\$75.00 (Enter on form front) Full Pricing TBD

**Each site is paved, roughly the same size, with a variety of hookups.**

The deposit fee above (to be credited toward your total reservation amount) must be paid in advance with this form to obtain a camping space. A camping profile sheet will be sent to you upon receipt of this registration form, which will include information on the campground, types of hookups, and costs. When we receive your profile with your specific request, information on an available site will be sent to you, with an invoice for the balance of the reservation amount due. Payment in full must be received within 10 business days for the total amount due for the site to be reserved for you. Reserve early, as spaces are limited.

**Deposit will be returned if no site available. Site nights needed: (4 Night Minimum)**  
 S 6/22  S 6/23  M 6/24  T 6/25  W 6/26  T 6/27  F 6/28  S 6/29  S 6/30  
 # Additional arrive early? \_\_\_ or stay late nights? \_\_\_ Total nights requested \_\_\_

**GROUP CAMPING** requests must be received by January 2, 2024. Everyone that is part of the group must fill in Group Name and Group Leader Name. **To camp together, arrive together.**

Group Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Group Leader Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Your confirmed campground may assess a one-night penalty fee for cancellations received less than 72 hours of arrival, including early departure. No self or online registration available. All site reservations must be booked through RV & Camping Vice-Chairman with this form. For further information see web site: [www.73nsdc.com](http://www.73nsdc.com) or contact [kathy.nicke@73nsdc.com](mailto:kathy.nicke@73nsdc.com).  
 For campground info see - [wistatefair.com/wstfp/rv-park/](http://wistatefair.com/wstfp/rv-park/)

As noted, the last print edition will be the December, 2023 issue, but the e-Edition will continue. Until the print edition ends, it's usually mailed by the 23<sup>rd</sup> of the month, prior to the month of issue. If you haven't received it by the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month (except Sundays/holidays), please contact the Editor to see if your print subscription is still current, or if a delay has occurred in printing and mailing. If the print subscription is current, and your mailing address is correct, then please contact your local Post Office, to find out what the delay is. Please stress that you need to have The Modern Square, because of the dance dates within it.

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## *Full E-Edition Extras for September, 2023*

Please email these [assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com](mailto:assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com) as I want to give credit to the photographers for the photos, especially if they come from the various club Facebook groups. Because of **space limitations, I can't use all photos** (sent in, or from Facebook); but you can view all of these (and videos, where available) on the various club Facebook pages (including the **ASSDF** page), and the **Square Dance Events** Facebook group.

E-Edition photos are from the Facebook pages of the Maverick Mixers, Star Steppers, Twirling Lariats, Levi's And Lace, and the Pioneers, plus the River City Squares at the **HASSDA** Dance in Springdale. Thanks to Ted Hofmeister, Carolyn Birdsong, Ginny Short, and Jody King, for the photos.

First, photos from the Maverick Mixers July 22 dance.

















Next, pictures from the Maverick Mixers July 29 Barn Dance.



Top Photograph: Jerry Short, Maverick Mixers Caller Phil Moorehouse, and Bluebird Squares Caller Carolyn Birdsong. Bottom Photo: Anika Becker, Judy and Bob Mullins, Sheila Gesing, and Lanita Pettey-Hammett.





Ginny and Jerry Short



Judy and Bob Mullins



A close-up of Bob Mullins' T-shirt.



Ellen Glover Lewis



Art Ritter





Lee Conner, Naaman Moorehouse II, and Erma Jean Carter



Naaman Moorehouse II, and Caller Phil Moorehouse



Maverick Mixers Caller Phil Moorehouse















Sheila and Rick Gesing

In the photo below, Tom Manning and Bob Asp...the callers at the Trail-End Dance at the HASSDA (Heart Of America Singles Square Dancers Association) festival that was in Springdale, Arkansas, July 28-30, 2023.



On the next page, Arkansas' own Cathy Fisher, who cued the Round Dancing for the weekend.



The next several photos are dancers from the River City Squares, who dance in Fort Smith....having a great time at the **HASSDA** Dance...see their club report for details.













According to Ted Hofmeister, there were 9 squares Thursday night, 6 to 8 squares during the day Friday and Saturday, 12 squares Friday night, and 15 squares Saturday night!!

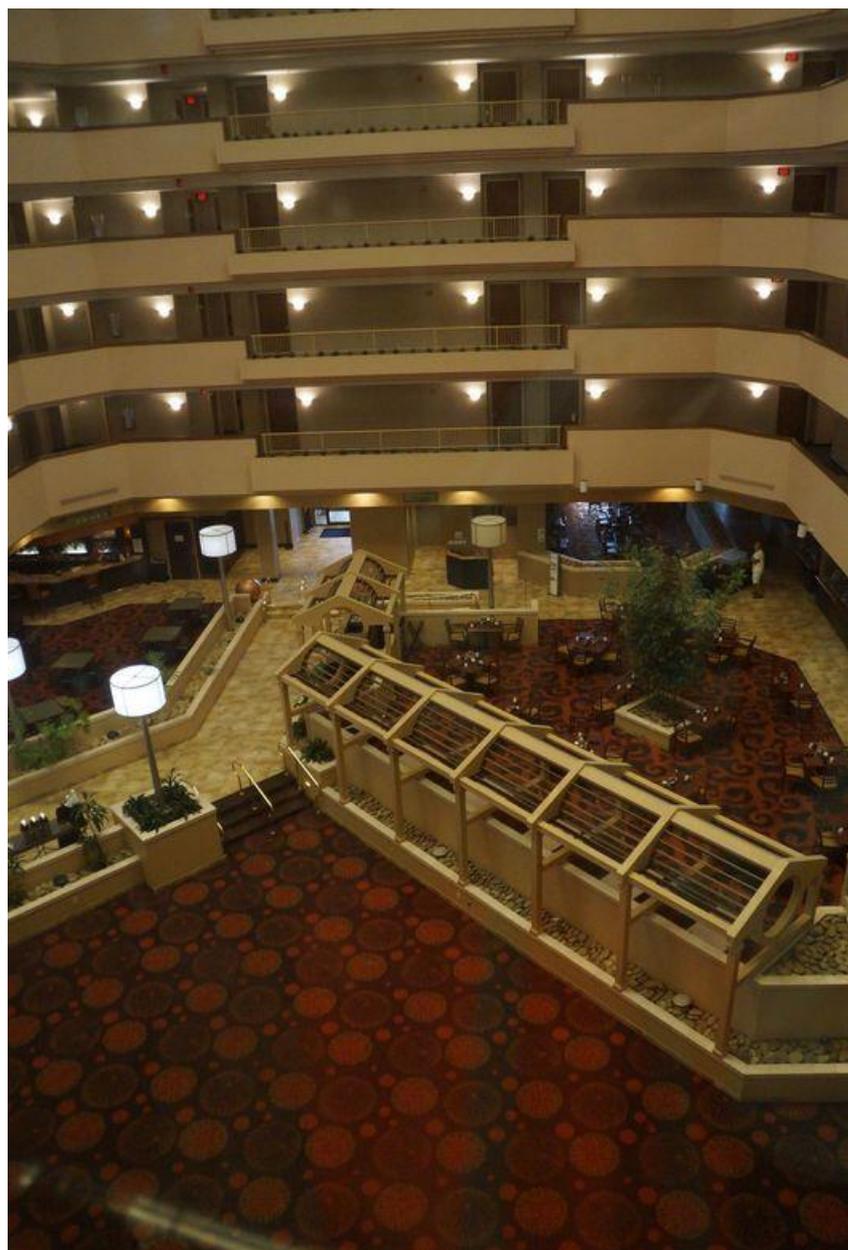
Next, even the mascots for the upcoming 73<sup>rd</sup> and 74<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Conventions ® (NSDC), in Milwaukee, WI in 2024, then in Shreveport, LA 2025, got in on the fun, as shown in the next few photos!!



On the next page, it looks like Ma Gator took a liking to two of the callers at the festival!!



The final photos from the weekend were from the hotel where all the dancing was held...with a wide view of the inside...and one of some of the members that gathered for a final breakfast buffet on Sunday morning at the hotel, before the bus trip home.





Many more pictures and videos from the weekend are on the [HASSDA Facebook page](#).

Next, 18 photos from the Summer Nights Out Dance on July 31, 2023; sponsored by both the Star Steppers, and the ASSDF.

National Caller Jet Roberts (who has called several dances for the ASSDF and its clubs before), once again, called a great dance. I understand that Jet will be back for a dance in February, 2024...details on that will be posted as soon as possible.

The dance was held at the planned location of the 74<sup>th</sup> ASSDF Fall Festival, Oct. 10-12, 2024 in White Hall, with the planned theme of "Twirling Under The Stars".









National Caller Jet Roberts.









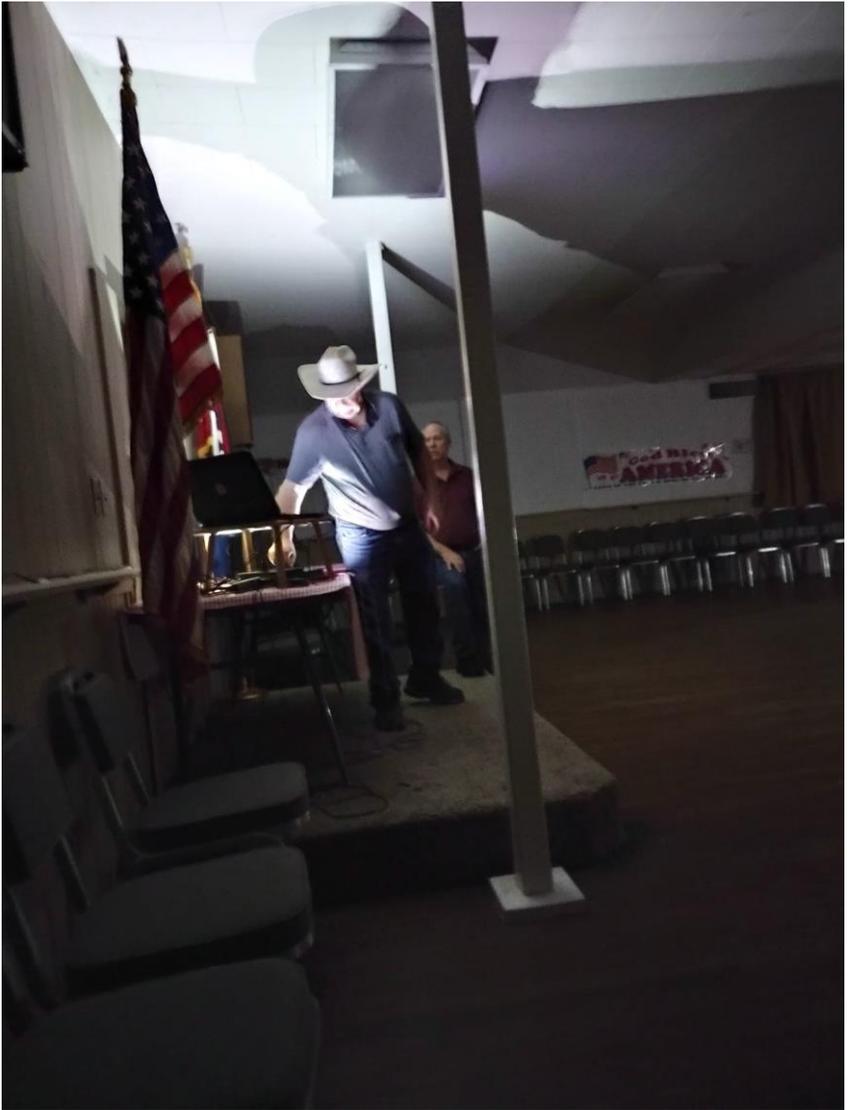


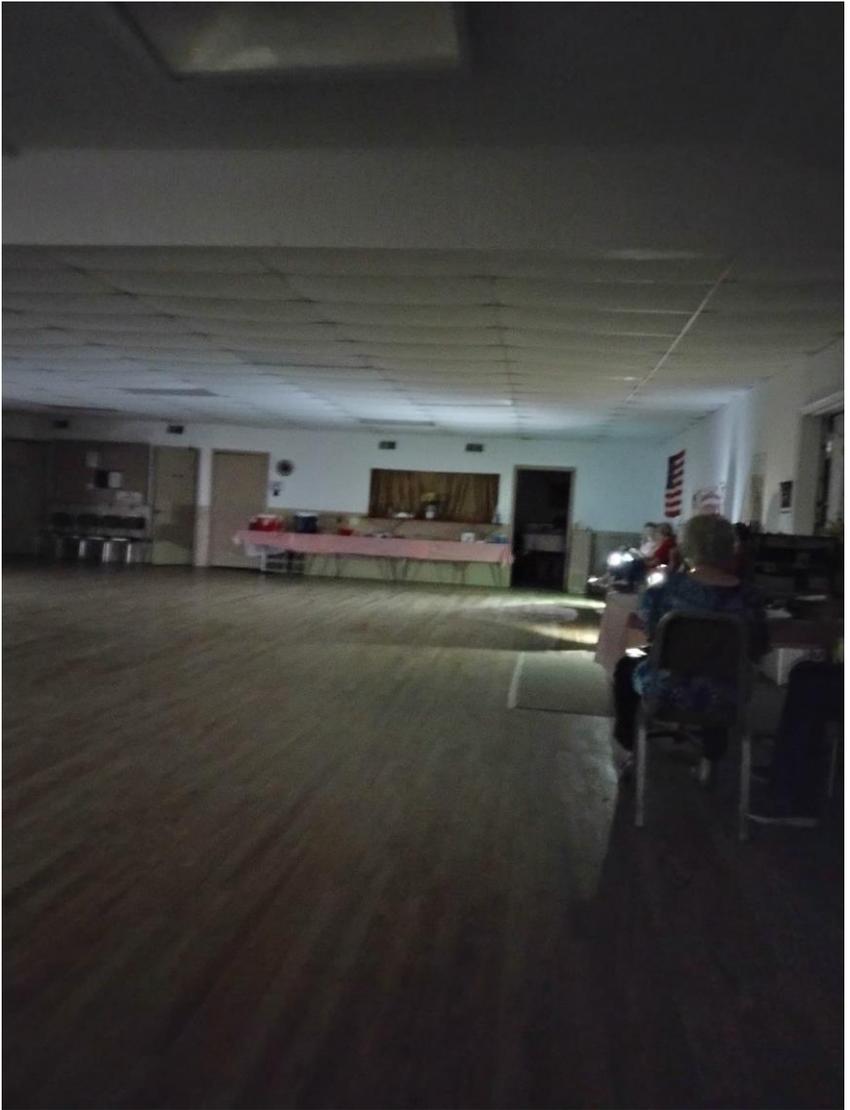


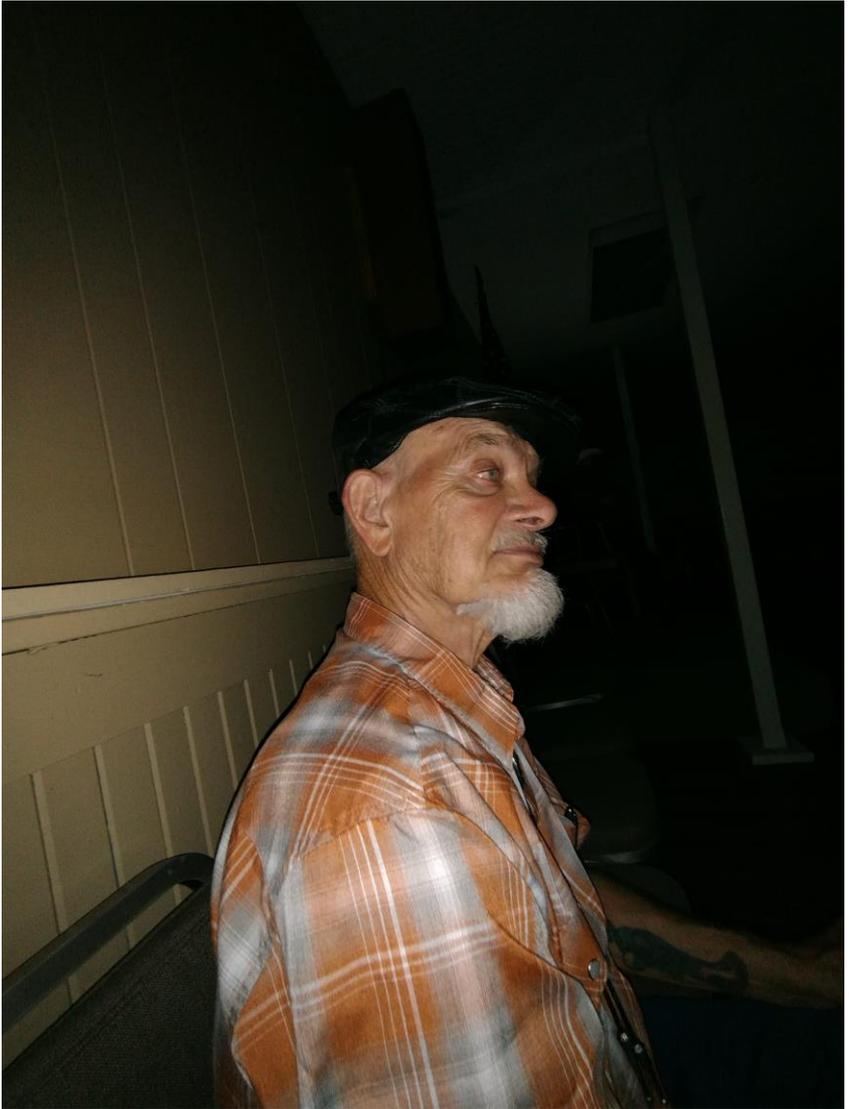
National Caller Jet Roberts, and  
Bluebird Squares Caller Carolyn Birdsong.

Next, photos from the Twirling Lariats Dance on Aug. 4. At times, one is “left in the dark” by some calls...and it was true at this dance for a short time, due to needed work by Entergy. Never mind “The Night The Lights Went Out In Georgia”!!











Thankfully, the entire dance wasn't dark, as the lights were off "in the middle", with dancing on either side of the outage. But, I understand that there is a "fun badge" available for "Dancing In The Dark"...never mind the song "Strangers In The Night"!!





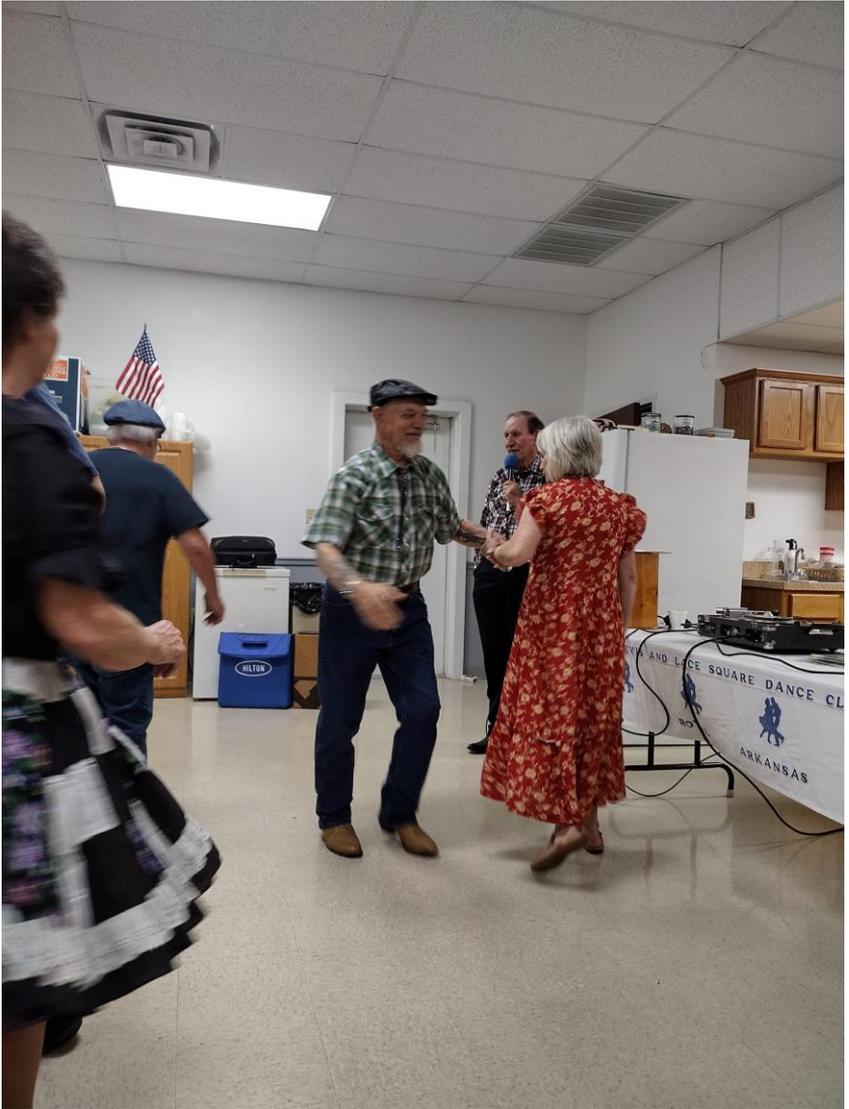




Chuck Ward and Caller Joey Duhamel.

Next, several photos from the Levi's And Lace Aug. 11 dance.













Lastly, a couple of photos from the Pioneers July 24 dance.





The Pioneers are hosting the 2023 ASSDF Fall Festival Oct. 12-14, 2023, in Mountain Home. Don't forget that ASSDF Fall Festival **pre-registrations must be postmarked** by Sept. 30, 2023. Otherwise, you'll pay a higher rate at the door for the weekend. A registration form and schedule for Friday and Saturday is elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website.