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Policies:

1. All items are now due on the Editor's Desk no later than 3pm Central Time, on the Sunday after the last Saturday of the month, before the month of issue.
2. There is no word limit on club reports. **Minor editing is done** for grammar, punctuation, typos, and continuity.
3. Letters to the Editor must be signed. **Names will be omitted upon request.**
4. Adjacent state **Multi-Day Festival flyers** will be in the full-Edition.
5. Non-commercial ads that are submitted to promote dance events within the Federation area will be accepted **only** from **ASSDF** clubs, organizations, and their Callers and Cuers.

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A photo of all the 2026 ASSDF Officers can be found in the January, 2026 issue.

2026 Fall Festival
Rickie & Theresa Muth 390 Woodvine Trail Higden, AR 72067 Theresa: (501) 238-2713 Rickie: (501) 238-0649



President's Message

Hey Fellow Square Dance Lovers,

Well, we're still on grandkid duty in North Carolina. We miss all of you **VERY** much.

We're enjoying seeing pictures of all of the fun. We're excited to see some lessons starting up this month. Make sure you take flyers to places where you go and can leave a couple. Or just let your friends know about them and that you'll be there as an angel.

Hope you are melting out of your homes this week as we finally get some warm temperatures to get rid of the snow on the roads. As you get out, join one of the clubs dancing their Valentine's dances. And remember to take your Travelers Badge documents to get them signed. Lots of love in the air and lots of dancing opportunities.

In addition to all of the regular dances, you can attend these:

Feb. 6 - Twirling Lariats Sweetheart Dance in Mabelvale

Feb. 10 - Nelda's Plussers -- 2nd Tuesday Plus Dancing (with line dancing, etc...) in New Boston, Texas

Feb. 13 - Heber Springers Valentine's Dance in Rosebud

Feb. 14 - Maverick Mixers Sweetheart Dance in Mabelvale

Feb. 14 - Southern Swingers Valentine's Dance in Bossier City, Louisiana

Feb. 16 - Pioneers Valentine's Dance in Mountain Home

Feb. 18 - Twirling Funtime's Valentine's Dinner and Dance in Lakeview

Feb. 23 - Jet Across Arkansas Dance in Mabelvale with Jet Roberts

Feb. 27 - Louisiana Lagniappe in Bossier City, Louisiana with Tim Tyl

Feb. 28 - Gateway to the Ozarks Clogging Workshop in Pocahontas, Arkansas

** Remember to check <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events> for more information on any and all dances.**

Lastly, **BE SURE** you are signed up for the **Spring Fling on Mount Nebo** in Dardanelle, which promises to be a fabulous time with callers **Jay King, Phil Moorehouse, and Tim Tyl**. It takes place March 6-7 and now is the time to register.

We love and miss you all. We can't wait to be back dancing with all of you!

Looking forward to warmer times,

Tom and Kim Fox, ASSD7 Presidents 2026



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 file with links is at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/resources>. If you, your club, or organization isn't listed below, please send an email to assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com with the info.

Arkansas Clubs, Callers, and Cuers On Facebook:

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

Square/Round Dance Clubs/Organizations Websites:

Arky Cloggers, 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, North Texas Square & Round Dance Association (NORTEX), Heart of America Single Square Dancers Association (HASSDA), & Texas Association of Single Square Dancers (TASSD).

Caller and Cuer Websites: Nelda Eaton

To download the **FREE** e-Edition, you can go to the **ASSDF website** at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square> -- the **full** e-Edition has full color on pictures/ads. For those with **limited** data plans, the **compact** version is without these items. Photos are from the club Facebook groups, or sent in, and all these are in a **separate** PDF file for download (it can be **rather large**). Unless noted within ads, all the E-Edition links are **clickable**. Please let the Editor know if your email changes; or you won't get these club updates (special dances, cancellations, changes), Modern Square releases, etc., if the email is returned as "**undeliverable**" (over quota mailbox, bad email, etc.).

From The Editor



While February is **the month for love**, it's also the month of **hate**...in terms of **winter weather**!! More cold weather is forecast for February, but the warmth of square dancing helps to forget about winter cold.

A major winter storm slammed Arkansas January 23-25, with a deadly mix of snow, sleet, and freezing rain...causing icy roads, power outages, and canceled dances. With temperatures in many areas not getting above freezing for a while, that caused many problems...especially considering what snow, sleet, and freezing rain which fell isn't going to melt very fast...and many areas will have to deal with no electricity, and no water for several days.

Please call before you travel; or see the **Club Facebook pages** (<https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/clubs>). Also, check the weather forecasts for Arkansas at <https://www.weather.gov/lzk> -- and road conditions at <https://www.idrivearkansas.com>

There is also quite a bit of flu and RSV still going around...so, if you've been ill, don't feel well on a dance night, or if weather is an issue (as noted above), please stay home. With temperatures going up and down more than an elevator, no wonder folks are "under the weather" (no pun intended).

Thanks to everyone who attended **The Three Amigos M.E.T. Your Kicks To Dance In 2026** on Jan. 3, 2026...with callers **Nelda Eaton, Blake and Amanda Throgmartin**, as well as **Phil Moorehouse**. There were 3 squares, representing the **Twirling Lariats, Maverick Mixers, Heber Springers, Levi's And Lace, Star Steppers**, and the **Bluebird Squares**. It was also good to see **Harry Atchley** at the dance. Of note, caller **Amanda Throgmartin** had the **golden microphone**...and it fit, as she certainly is "**a caller with the golden voice**". Her husband, **Blake Throgmartin**, had a "**Razorback Red Microphone**". Numerous photos from that dance are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

The next **Three Amigos Dance** will be the “**Happy Birthday America Nifty At 250 Dance**” on Saturday, July 4, 2026. Come join us as we celebrate this wonderful hobby with the **Freedom To Dance**, as well as America’s 250th birthday. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** under **Upcoming Events** for more info.

Weather permitting, there are several **Special Valentines Dances** coming up this month, including the **Twirling Lariats Sweetheart Dance** in Little Rock on Feb. 6...the **Heber Springers Valentines Dance** in Rosebud on Feb. 13...the **Maverick Mixers Sweetheart Dance** in Little Rock on Feb. 14...the **Southern Swingers Valentines Dance** in Bossier City on Feb. 14...the **Pioneers Valentines Dance** in Mountain Home on Feb. 16...and the **Twirling Funtimers Valentines Dance** in Lakeview on Feb. 18. **Phil Moorehouse** will be calling the **Heber Springers** and **Maverick Mixers** special dances, with **Roy Hestand** calling the **Pioneers** and **Twirling Funtimers** special dances. **Brad Caldwell** will be calling the **Southern Swingers Dance**, with **Nelda Eaton** calling the **Twirling Lariats** special dance. An ad for each of these (along with available flyers) are located elsewhere in this issue.

And, for those who love dancing to National Caller **Jet Roberts** (who has called several dances for the **ASSDF** in the past), the **Jet Across Dance** is in Little Rock on Feb. 23. For the cloggers, there's the **Gateway to the Ozarks Clogging Workshop** in Pocahontas on Feb. 28. Flyers on these are elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** under **Upcoming Events**.

On the **second Tuesday of each month**, Nelda Eaton, caller for both the **Guys N Dolls** and the **Twirling Lariats**, is doing “**Nelda's Plussers**” at their place in New Boston, Texas. A flyer with more info is elsewhere in this issue, as well as on the **ASSDF website**. Next, in early March, it's the **Spring Fling on Mount Nebo**...a flyer with more info, and some photos are elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website**. Arkansas Callers **Phil Moorehouse** and **Jay King** will be joined by **National Caller Tim Tyl**. Other March **ASSDF Club Dances** will be noted in next month's Editor's Report.

The **76th ASSDF Fall Festival** is set for Oct. 8-10, 2026, and it will be at the Van Buren County Fairgrounds in Clinton, hosted by the **Heber Springers**. There will be a barbecue dinner before the Trail End Dance on Oct. 8, with **National Caller Ken Burke**, and **National Caller Scott**

Bennett will be calling the Friday evening dance. Through the rest of Friday and Saturday, **Arkansas' callers and cuers** will be featured. Flyers for the Trail End Dance (with hotel information) and the festival itself, are noted elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** under **Upcoming Events**.

For those wanting to join this wonderful hobby, the **Maverick Mixers** are starting lessons with an **Open House** on Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2026, at 7pm, at American Legion Post 128, at 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), with Phil Moorehouse as the Instructor. The original date of Jan. 27, 2026, was **postponed**, due to the winter storm in late January, as noted earlier. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, or on the **ASSDF Website** under **New Dancers**.

There are several special square dance related items this month. First, the **"Freedom To Dance" ...and The Three Amigos Happy Birthday America Nifty At 250 Dance"**, as noted earlier in this article. There is a separate ad on **"Freedom To Dance"** elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** under **Resources**.

Next, **"Square Dance Revival"**. At the 1994 **National Square Dance Convention (R)** in Portland, Oregon, there were nearly 22,000 dancers from the US, Canada, and around the world. The following year, in Birmingham, Alabama, attendance plunged 50%, and at several recent NSDC's, there haven't been 5000 registrants. **Square Dance Revival** is looking to change that, with working to bring new folks into this wonderful hobby. See the ad elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** under **Resources** for more info.

Also, there will be a **change** in the **Plus Level square dance calls**, as of September 1, 2026. Your club caller may already be calling some of these at your dances. See the ad elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** under **Resources** for more info. As a side note, I redid the list, as the copy from Facebook wasn't too clear. I also updated the **ASSDF website Clubs** page to note that clubs dance Mainstream, with announced Plus at their dances.

Special Dance Photos from late December 2025 through January, 2026, downloadable from <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square>, were obtained from the emails, Facebook pages, plus **ASSDF club** and the special dances from the **B-Bar-H Square Dance**

Club, Square Dance USA, Heart Of America Single Square Dance Association (HASSDA), Pioneers, The Three Amigos, Southern Swingers, Maverick Mixers, Levi's And Lace, Star Steppers, Twirling Lariats, and the Arky Cloggers.

Many thanks to Becky Hestand, Amanda Hargrove-Throgmartin, Cathy Ronnie, Ted & Tonia Hofmeister, Carole Baker, Phyllis Keeney, Ginny Short, Lanita Hammett, Daryl Stout, Elaine Cox, as well as to Corben Geis for the photos.

Lastly, info for the **Club Reports** is obtained from emails that are sent in to the Editor, from dances in the **Special Events Calendar**, and from the **club Facebook pages**...from which, I prepare a report. **We want to know what's going on with your club**, so if you'd prefer something different than what I have prepared, please send it to the Editor's Email that is noted below...and please advise me of upcoming special dances, cancellations, etc. The **publication deadline** is 3pm Central Time on the Sunday after the last Saturday of the month.

Please visit our Facebook page and our website for any last-minute changes/updates, including dances in states surrounding Arkansas, and contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Editor's Email: assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/185342434341988>

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

Daryl Stout, Editor, Webmaster, Circulation Chairman





If, for whatever reason (duplicate emails, no longer interested, no longer dancing, etc.), you decide that you **no longer want emails** concerning the releases of **The Modern Square**, or **ASSDF Club Updates** with **Special Dances** or **cancellations**, please send an email to the Editor at assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com, and request to be **REMOVED** from the email list.

You will receive a **final message** from the Editor, **confirming** that your email has been **removed** from the list. While you can still download or view items from the **ASSDF website** (QR Code above on the upper right), **you will no longer receive these notices/updates**.

The **ASSDF** thanks you in advance for your assistance in this.



Where are your special events?

Please notify *The Modern Square* Editor of your club's special events with all pertinent information included. The sooner that **all** information is provided, the earlier the listing will appear.

Further info/flyers, are at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events>



To visit the **ASSDF website**, you can either **scan the QR code** above, or take your favorite browser to <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com>

National Square Dance Convention® (NSDC)

2026 - June 24-27, 2026

**75th NSDC Host City:
Waco, Texas**

2027 - June 23-26, 2027

**76th NSDC Host City:
Loveland, Colorado**

2028 - June 28 to July 1, 2028

**77th NSDC Host City:
Daytona Beach, Florida**

2028 - June 27-30, 2029

**78th NSDC Host City:
To Be Announced**

Registration Forms for the next NSDC are elsewhere in this issue. The costs **INCREASE** (and **no refunds**) on May 1 before 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 issue(s) to view, or download and print the PDF file(s). Topics covered include Registration/Housing/RV Camping, Callers School (held prior to the NSDC), badges/ribbons, Solo/Single Dancers (unmarried or without a dance partner), Program Books/Daily Schedules (individual and total), Souveniers, Vendors, Dance Facilities Map, Wednesday Night Dinner And Show, Trail-End Dances, Group Exhibitions, Workshops, Tours, Pre/Post Convention Events, Restaurants, Travel Options, Places To Visit, Various NSDC Committees, Upcoming NSDC Info, Mobility Scooters, First Aid, Educational Forums, Fashion Show, Showcase Of Ideas, Sew And Save, General Info, Ceremonies, Ads, and much more.

75th National Square Dance Convention®



Due to vision issues, I no longer drive, and can't be at dances, unless someone offers transportation. Please advise the Editor if your info (club caller/cuer, club contact, dance day, time, location, etc.) in The Modern Square or on the ASSDF website is wrong, so I can correct it...I can't fix it, if I don't know about it.

Most of the photos noted in the Special Dances e-Edition are from the ASSDF Club Facebook pages, although not everyone is on Facebook. Along with information that is on the Special Events Calendar, this is how info for your prepared Club Report is obtained. For reports that are sent in, there is no word limit, and minor editing is done for grammar, typos, or continuity. The publication deadline is 3pm US Central Time on the Sunday, after the last Saturday of the month, before the month of issue. If the last day of the month is the last Saturday, then the 1st of the month of the month of issue is the publication date deadline.

If emails to you are returned (full mailbox, over quota, invalid address), you won't receive the updates on the special dances, issue releases, etc. – until you contact the Editor with the updated information. If you no longer wish to receive these info updates (no longer dancing, etc.), please email the Editor, asking to be REMOVED from the list...and after a confirmation email that you've been removed, you will no longer receive these notices or updates.

Please **CALL BEFORE YOU TRAVEL**, in case of unexpected last minute changes or cancellations. If you've been ill, feel ill on a dance night, or bad weather is an issue, please stay home, for the safety of all concerned.

NONE of the ASSDF Officers will **EVER** send an email, Facebook message, etc. that ask for money, gift cards, helping charities, saying these are "sponsored by the ASSDF". All of these are SCAMS!! If you see these emails or Facebook postings, **DELETE THEM, and BLOCK THE ADDRESS**. Messages from the ASSDF Officers will have the email that's noted in The Modern Square, and they'll address square dancing, or another aspect of the hobby in the email. Just because the email sender name shows the name of an ASSDF Officer does NOT necessarily mean that an ASSDF Officer sent it.

Clubs **MUST** be vigilant in deleting these posts (deleting inactive group members, club T-shirts, death of a celebrity, wanting part time work, etc. (NOTHING to do with square dancing). These have ransomware to steal your identity, and lock up your computer, where you'd have to pay a large amount of money to get your data back. If you click on the links, you or your club could be on the hook financially, never mind having your email and Facebook accounts hacked!!

Daryl Stout, Editor, Webmaster, Circulation Chairman, ASSDF



WELCOME

NEW DANCERS

Presented by the Arkansas State Square Dance Federation
www.arkansassquaredance.com
2025



For those **new dancers who have just graduated** from class, or for those **going to graduate from class soon**, the ASSDF has prepared a **New Dancers Manual**. It includes **General Guidelines, Resources And Websites, The Ten Commandments Of Square Dancing**, a list of **ASSDF Clubs**, plus a **QR code** and links to the **ASSDF website**.

It's a 7 page **PDF** file, downloadable from the **Resources** page on the **ASSDF website** (<https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/resources>), that you can print out for your new graduates, or you can give these to recent graduates. They are sure to appreciate this info. Note that some of the clubs noted may no longer be dancing, or part of the **ASSDF**.

TIME TO CELEBRATE THE “FREEDOM TO DANCE”

As we enter 2026, let us celebrate our favorite activity -- DANCE. Thanks to the contributions of people around the world. America originated a dance that was shared globally.

So many compliments to Folk Dances, Henry Ford, Benjamin Lovette, Lloyd ‘Pappy’ Shaw, Bob Osgood, Stan Burdick, Callerlab, Roundalab, Contralab, American Callers Association and So many others for the creation of dances. President Ronald Reagan for proclaiming it “America’s Folk Dance” and 31 states for designating it their State Folk Dance.

Mission Not Impossible

Let us celebrate America’s 250th Birthday.

Let us focus on June 28 – July 11, 2026.

Schedule a FREEDOM TO DANCE Birthday Party. Invite non-dancers and past dancers. Let us remind the world we still dance. So, promote, promote and promote.

Contact: Marianne C. Jackson

Text only: 513-978-4678

Email: sqmarianna@aol.com



Hello Fellow Square and Round Dancers!

Square and round dancing are at a turning point—and we believe the future can be joyful, social, and full of expansive energy. That's why we've launched a new 501 (c) (3) educational nonprofit dedicated to rebuilding square and round dancing, growing vibrant clubs, and welcoming a new generation of dancers onto the floor.

Our vision is simple: more dancers • more clubs • more joy

Our Podcast starts in February! We have a lineup of interviews with progressive rock star cuers and callers, successful clubs, and others sharing interesting facts about square and round dancing, what we need to grow, and why you should learn to dance!

In February, we are launching our national campaign to introduce new people to modern square and round dance using square dance interview videos and other graphics. In April, we will be filming a series of interviews with round dancers and including them in our national campaign.

On the site <https://squaredancerevival.org/>, you'll find:

Our mission and vision for a youthful, welcoming revival

Fresh ideas for growing and energizing clubs

A new way to talk about square and round dancing as social, active, and fun for all ages

If this vision resonates with you, please share the website with:

A friend who might love dancing

Someone looking for fun, social fitness

Your club, caller, cuer, or dance community

A simple forward or social share helps us reach new people and grow this movement together.

Thank you for being part of this joyful revival. We're so glad you're here.

We are excited to regrow square and round dancing and spread the joy to newbies!

CLINTON STAMPEDE

TRAILS END DANCE

OCTOBER 8TH

BBQ DINNER
AT 6:00

AND DANCE TO FOLLOW!

CONTACT
THERESA MUTH
501-238-2713



CALLER
KEN BURKE



HOTEL INFO:

Super 8 Clinton Arkansas
501-209-4358

\$75 plus tax a night for 2 queen beds

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\$82.50 a night plus tax

COST:
\$15.00
FOR THE DINNER
& DANCE!



ASSDF FEDERATION DANCE · OCTOBER 9-10 · SAME LOCATION

Arkansas State Square Dance Federation

Fall Festival

October 9-10, 2026

Van Buren County Fairgrounds
1827 Hwy 16 Clinton, AR 72031



Featured Caller on Friday Night

Scott Bennett

Lawton, OK

Name(s) _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Email _____ Club Name _____

Tickets (per person) *Under 18 free with Adult*

Friday/Saturday (early Registration) \$30 x ___ = ___ Friday Only \$20 x ___ = ___

Friday/Saturday (after 09/30/2026) \$35 x ___ = ___ Saturday Only \$20 x ___ = ___

Mainstream ___ Plus ___ Advance ___ Lines ___ Clogging ___ Contra ___
Are you a square dance CALLER? ___

Mail registration and payment to Lanita Hammett, 1533 Hwy 300, Houston, AR 72070-8307
Please ensure checks are payable to ASSDF Early registration must be postmarked by September 30, 2026

Trail End Dance Oct. 8 -- BBQ Dinner at 6pm, Dance to follow

\$15 per person for the dinner and dance (pay at the door).

Hosted by the Heber Springers -- Dance Caller: Ken Burke

Super 8 (501-209-4358) \$75 per night + tax (2 queen beds)

Quality Inn (501-745-4700) \$82.50 per night + tax



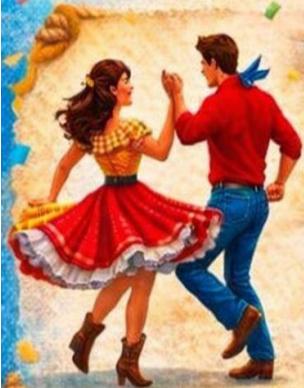
MAVERICK MIXER

OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, February 3rd, 2026
7:00 to 9:00 PM

Join us for our open house and enjoy a night of free square dance lessons! It is great physical and mental exercise for all ages and the entire family. No partner or previous dance experience is required.

For more information call
Lanita @ (501) 889-4679



American Legion Hut

9925 Leah Lane • Mabelvale, AR

Caller – Phil Moorehouse

Lessons will start Feb 3rd.
Lessons will be paid \$20 per month starting in February.



Twirling Lariats'

"Sweetheart Dance"

Friday, February 6, 2026

7:00 – 7:30 PM – Plus Workshop

7:30 – 9:30 PM Mainstream

With Announced Plus Tips

American Legion Post 128

9925 Leah Lane

(Mann Road and Leah Lane)

Mabelvale, AR

Caller - Nelda Eaton





PLUS SQUARE DANCING
With Lines or C&W Between Tips
At
The Eaton's Shop
1519 County Road 4003
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On the
2nd Tuesday of each month
January thru December 2026
Workshop at 6:30 pm
Dancing from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
CALLER: NELDA EATON

Directions from Mt. Pleasant via Interstate 30:

Take Exit 198 to Highway 98 and turn right (south). Go approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ mile on Highway 98 and turn left (east) on Country Road 4001. Go $\frac{1}{2}$ mile (to first crossroads) and turn right (south) on County Road 4003. Go $\frac{1}{2}$ mile and the road will curve to the right. Look straight ahead in the curve for a driveway. Follow the driveway beside the house to the shop which is located behind the house.

If traveling from Texarkana on I-30, once you take Exit 198, turn left (south) on Highway 98, and then follow the directions listed above.

NO ANIMALS ALLOWED IN THE SHOP

For additional information contact Nelda Eaton at:
Cell Phone: 903-278-8068
Email: EatonSDCaller@gmail.com

The upcoming 2026 dance dates are February 10, March 10, April 14, May 12, June 9, July 14, August 11, September 8, October 13, November 10, and December 8, 2026.



HOSTED BY:

**SOUTH TEXAS
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ROUND DANCE
ASSOCIATION**



**17th Annual
FEBRUARY FRENZY
February 13 & 14, 2026**

JOEY DUHAMEL

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MARILYN AND JERRAL WAGUESPACK

Cueing

Bauer Community Center

2300 N HWY 35 Port Lavaca, TX.

Friday Night:

7p.m. -- Pre-Rounds (Dance Attire Appreciated)

7:30 – 9:30 p.m. -- Mainstream/Announced Plus

Saturday:

1:15 – 3 p.m. -- ROUNDS (Casual attire permitted)

3:15 – 5 p.m. -- FUN SQUARES

RELAXATION, TOURISM, AND OTHER FUN

7 p.m. – Pre-Rounds (Dance Attire Appreciated)

7:30 – 10:00 p.m. -- Mainstream/Announced Plus

(Dance Attire Appreciated)

SEE BACK FOR: Donation & Contact information

HOST HOTEL:

La Quinta Inn & Suites, 910 Highway 35 North, Port Lavaca, TX

361-552-8800 (DO NOT call the 800 number)

Reservations must be made by: February 1, 2026

(Ask for the square dance block)

Camping:

Bauer Community Center parking lot:

Motor homes and campers (SELF CONTAINED) – FREE

Lighthouse Beach RV Park – 30 & 50 Amp:

Portlavaca.org website & click on “BOOK”

Texas Lakeside RV Resort – 361-575-2267 or
Texaslakesideresort.com

FURTHER Information and questions contact:

Dennis Pyron – 361-549-1491; dennispypyron@gmail.com

PRE-REGISTRATION: (Must be received by: February 1, 2026)

PRE-REGISTRATION with the form below or apply with the QR Code:

Name(s) & Phone Number: _____

_____ ADDRESS: _____

Please indicate Number of Attendees in adjacent box

QR – ONLINE REGISTRATION

**(PRE-REGISTRATION REQUESTED, (PP)-PER
PERSON)**

Dance Event: Age: Over 17 Number 17 & Under Number

Friday evening (PP) \$10.00 \$5.00

Fun Squares (PP) \$10.00 \$5.00

Saturday Evening (PP) \$15.00 \$5.00

(PRE-REGISTRATION REQUESTED)

FULL PACKAGE (PP) \$25.00 \$10.00

(Rounds, Friday Eve., Fun Squares, Saturday Eve.)

(PRE-REGISTRATION REQUESTED)

Saturday Package (PP) \$25.00 \$10.00

(Rounds, Fun Squares, Saturday Eve.)



AMOUNT INCLUDED WITH THIS PRE-REGISTRATION FORM: _____

Questions: 3615491491 or dennispypyron@gmail.com

NO REFUNDS AFTER FEBRUARY 2, 2026

Send this form with your check to: Make Checks Payable to: **STSRDA**
Dennis Pyron, 210 Santa Monica, Portland, TX 78374

Maverick Mixers

Sweetheart Dance

February 14, 2026

Plus Workshop at 6:30 & Dance at 7:00

9925 Leah Lane in Mabelvale, AR

For more information contact Lanita at (501) 889-4679

Members
\$12 per month

Guests
\$8 per night





Southern Swingers Valentine Dance



Saturday, February 14th

Caller - Brad Caldwell

Promenade Hall

5400 Benton Rd

Bossier City, LA

7:00- 9:30

Members \$6:00

Guest \$11:00

Spectators FREE

For information email: sssquaredance@email.com

or Check out our Facebook Page

Southern Swingers Square Dancers

Wear your Favorite Valentine Attire

Twirling Funtimers

Valentine's
Square Dance

Wednesday, February 18, 2026
6:00-8:30pm, \$7

Caller: Roy Hestand



Lloyd Travis Community Center
14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview, AR
www.facebook.com/twirlingfuntimers

Red River Special

Plus Level Dance Weekend



Jet Roberts



Charlie Robertson

February 20th, 21st and 22nd 2026

The Lake Murray Lodge

3323 Lodge Rd

Ardmore, OK

580-223-6600

www.stateparks.com

\$50.00 Per Person Pre Sale \$60.00 at the Door

Register online at: www.crdancing.com/events

Call Charlie at 580-618-8508 or Kristi at 580-618-2048

email: crsquaredance@yahoo.com



Jet Across Arkansas Dance

Monday, February 23, 2026 – Dance at 7pm

American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane) Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR

Admission: \$10 per person

Caller: Jet Roberts

“Louisiana Lagniappe”

Where you get a little extra.

Lagniappe (pronounced, lan-yap) is a Cajun-French inspired noun that means “a little extra.”

**Once a month on a Friday
In Bossier City, LA at Promenade Hall
5400 Benton Rd. (Hwy. 3) - 5 miles North of I-220 Loop**

Dates for 2026

**Feb 27 Apr 3 May 29 Jul 24
Sep 25 Oct 16 Nov 6**

BASIC - MAINSTREAM - PLUS

So what's the Lagniappe - the little extra?

Not gonna push it to the limit - but gonna push it a little past standard.

Basic and Mainstream called Lagniappe - with a little extra - using extended applications.
Called in ways and formations that you don't usually see - with a little extra challenge.

A few Plus calls will be used at each dance, but all plus calls used will be taught that night.
So, if you want to learn Plus - this is a chance to learn and dance a few plus calls each night.
These will also be called Lagniappe - with a little extra - with a little extra challenge.
Called in ways and formations that you don't usually see.

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

But we may start a little early, if caller and dancers are there - Lagniappe, A little extra.
And we may stay a little later if we're not ready to leave there - Lagniappe, A little extra.

**CALLER
TIM TYL**

(and an occasional guest caller)

No Charge – Donations Accepted for caller and building

Gateway to the Ozarks Clogging Workshop

9:00 – 12:00

Lunch

1:30 – 4:30

Registration begins at 8:30

24th ANNUAL WORKSHOP

Saturday, February 28, 2026

Marr Street Production

111 Marr Street

Pocahontas, AR 72455

Instructors:

Lanita Hammett, AR - CCI Shaina Morgan, AR - CCI Kaydin Seawel, AR - CCI

LaRhetha Morrison, OK - CCI Candidate

Arkansas Clog Council meeting to follow workshop - Dues of \$15.00 Due January 1, 2026 - Family rate 3 or more \$40.00

Pre-registration - \$30.00 per Dancer, Syllabus \$5.00(Deadline February 18, 2026)

****AR Council members pre-registration only \$25.00****

Registration at door - \$40.00 per Dancer

Checks Payable to: Dance Tyme Studio

Kathay Wilson

296 CR 368

Jonesboro, AR 72401

Information

dancetymestudio@gmail.com

870-243-8113

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Please check if you are a Beginner

SAVE THE DATE

Mt. Nebo

Spring Fling

March 6-7, 2026

LOCATION:
Mt. Nebo State Park,
16728 W. State Hwy. 155,
Dardanelle, AR 72834

FEATURED CALLERS:

Jay King, Tim Tyl & Phil Moorehouse

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

4-5:30 p.m., 7-10 p.m.

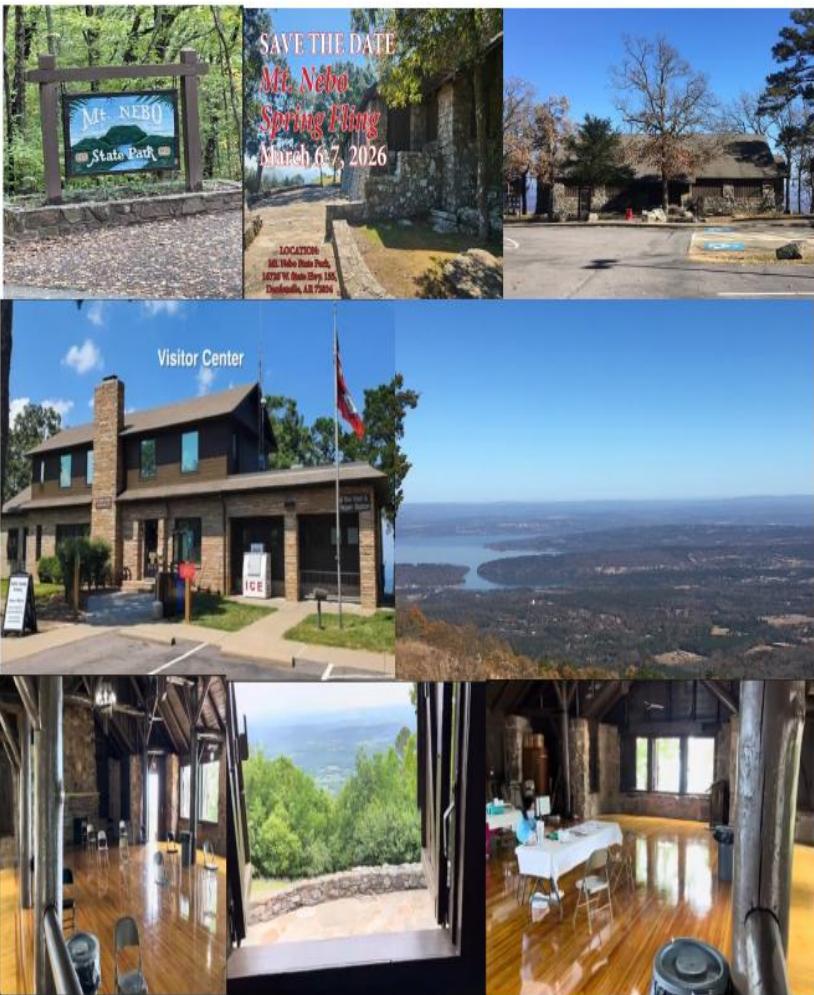


SATURDAY, MARCH 7

10 a.m.-12 p.m., 2-5 p.m., 7-10 p.m.

Sponsored by the Arkansas State Square Dance Federation

Hosted by the Twirling Lariats & Maverick Mixers



Full overview at <https://www.arkansasstateparks.com/parks/mount-nebo-state-park>

Please be advised: No campers or RVs over 24 feet are permitted!!

Highway 155 West is only one way, with 11 switchbacks and up to an 18% grade.

Please contact the park for more information.

Photos include the park entrance, the visitor center, the front and back of the pavilion hall, a view out the hall window, and elsewhere on the mountain. Other lodging and restaurants are available at the base of the mountain. Please see the flier ad for more info. There are several videos on YouTube (Mount Nebo State Park) that you can view.

REGISTRATION FORM

Save money and register early, \$25 per person by March 1. Price increases to \$30 pp after March 1. Registration includes dancing both days.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Send reservation form & check made out to ASSDF to ASSDF Treasurer:
ASSDF

1533 Hwy. 300
Houston, AR 72070

LODGING

For information about Mt. Nebo State Park visit:

<https://www.arkansasstateparks.com/parks/mount-nebo-state-park>

Limited cabins and campsites are available at Mt. Nebo State Park.

For cabin reservation information go to:

<https://reserve.arkansasstateparks.com/mount-nebo/lodging>

For camping reservations go to:

<https://reserve.arkansasstateparks.com/mount-nebo/camping>

Additional lodging is available in Dardanelle and other nearby towns.

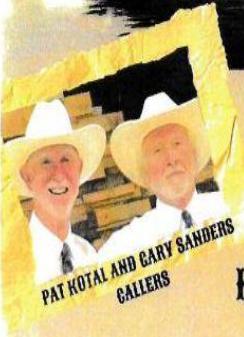
FOOD OPTIONS

No restaurant is available in the state park, but there are food options in Dardanelle and nearby towns. Additionally, we hope to offer a meal option.

We plan to offer dinner on March 6 as well as lunch and dinner on March 7 for an additional small fee. Check here if interested ____.

Check the ASSDF website and Facebook for details as they develop.

EAST TEXAS SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE ASSOCIATION 63RD ANNUAL SPRING FESTIVAL



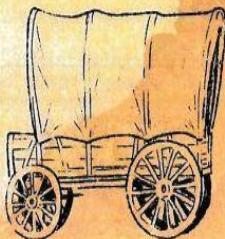
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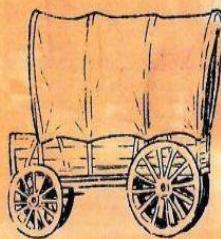
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Trail In Dance
April 10, 2026



L-R: Shane Greer, Monty Hackler, Bill Powell, Ken Burke,
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You won't want to miss the shenanigans when
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Square Dance starts at 7 pm \$10 per person

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Tim Tyl and Ken Burke

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April 17 & 18, 2026

Friday evening: 7-10PM

Saturday afternoon: 1-5PM

Saturday evening: 7-10PM

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Clogging in the Natural State

Friday and Saturday, April 24 & 25, 2026

American Legion

9925 Leah Lane ~ Mabelvale, AR

Host Hotel: Tru by Hilton

11320 Bass Pro ~ West Little Rock, AR

Rooms \$106 per night plus tax – Breakfast included

Register online for rooms until 4-1-2026:

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Featured Instructor:

Chip Summey, CCI ~ NC
with



ACC Instructors:

Lanita Hammett, CCI~AR Joe Dawley, CCI~KS

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****Lunch on Saturday with Paid Registration!****

Hosted by the

Arkansas Clogging Council

arkansascloggingcouncil@gmail.com

Register Online at:

[Clogging in the Natural State](#)

Pre-Registration til 4-11

Non-Member \$40.00

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Or Contact: Kathey @870-243-8113

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AMERICAN LEGION HALL 2015 EAST US HWY 80, MINEOLA, TEXAS

	Friday (Casual)	Saturday	Sunday (Casual)
Trail End Dance	7:30-9:30	Rounds Workshop 9:00-10:30	Trail Out 9:30-11:00 am
With Rounds		Mainstream Workshop 10:30-12:00	With Rounds
Hot Hash Tip	9:30-10:00	Lunch 12:00-2:00	All Gospel Singing Calls
		Mainstream Workshop 2:00-3:00	
		Dance the Workshops 3:00-3:30	
		Early Rounds 6:00-6:45	
		Dance 7:00-10:00 Tips with one round between	

Weekend Package \$40/person (\$80/couple); \$45/person at the door (\$90/couple)

No Split Tickets

For Hotel and Camping information: See back of Flyer or contact Howard & Sandra 903-312-3713

Name: _____

Mail registrations & payment to:

Howard & Sandra Rowan

PO Box 2397

Lindale, Texas 75771-2397

Cut on dotted line and return with payment.

Make checks payable to Mineola Railers SDC

include "Mainstream Extravaganza" on memo line

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Mail-in & early registrations must be postmarked by May 15, 2026

Chapel Hill

Get-Away

Plus Weekend



Jet Roberts



Charlie Robertson



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Connie and Robert Wise

Dancing starts at 10 am Friday
Dancing Starts at 10 am Sat

14 Hours of
Dancing!!

May 22nd and 23rd, 2026

Henry Horton State Park

4201 Nashville Hwy Chapel Hill, TN

\$65.00 per person presale / \$80.00 per person at the door

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\$138.00 per night plus tax

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Additional Info: Contact Kristi@charlierobertson.biz

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**Dancing Across Texas
Longview 2026**



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June 5, 2026 - Pre-Festival Dance
June 6, 2026 - 64th State Festival

Business Meeting: June 7, 2026

Festival Chairman
Gary & Linda Carlile
6 Cardinal Ln.
Texarkana, TX 75501
lindacarlile9@aol.com
crgary@aol.com

Assistant Festival Chairman
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620-217-1280 Cell
hahn@southwind.net

Dancer Coordinator

Brenda Mears
Emporia, KS
620-344-2517 Cell
jbmears1979@gmail.com

West Heights UMC—Family Center, Door D

745 N Westlink Ave.

Wichita, KS 67212

Friday - 6:30 to 10:30 pm

Saturday - 8:30 am to 10:30 pm

Pre-order ribbons on our website:

www.kansassquaredancefestival.com

Deadline for ribbon purchase **BY MAIL** is: **May 1, 2026**

*In order to receive your ribbon(s) via return mail
include a self address stamp envelope*

**Host Hotel - Double Tree by Hilton Wichita Airport
& Best Western Plus Wichita West Airport Inn**

The Three Amigos

Happy Birthday America - Nifty At 250



*Saturday, July 4. 2026 - 7pm to 10pm
American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane
Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR -- \$10 per person*

*Callers: Nelda Eaton (Twirling Lariats and Guys N Dolls)
Amanda and Blake Throgmartin (Levi's And Lace)
Phil Moorehouse (Maverick Mixers and other clubs)*

For More Information, Please Contact:

Nelda Eaton: (903) 278-8068

Blake Throgmartin: (501) 622-9402

Amanda Throgmartin: (501) 655-9767

Phil Moorehouse: (501) 960-4476

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July 10-11, 2026

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Mainstream

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Dan Sahlstrom, caller and cuer

JULY 9, 2026 (Thursday night)

Anderson Building on Lyon County Fairgrounds

Hiway 50 & Industrial Road, Emporia, KS

7:00 to 9:30 p.m. \$8 donation payable at the door

Sponsored by Bluestem Swingers

Visit
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Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Individual registration - please check appropriate blanks:

____ Friday & Saturday All Events Prior to June 15, 2026	\$40.00
____ Friday & Saturday All Events payable at the door	\$50.00
____ One Day/Night	\$30.00
____ Individual Square/Round Dance Sessions	\$15.00
____ Total individual registration fees enclosed	\$ _____

*Dance registration provides a complimentary membership to HASSDA for adults (**18 years of age & up**) from August 1, 2026 to July 31, 2027.
(Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.)*

Make Checks Payable to: HASSDA Festival 2026

685 Newman Road
Havensville, KS 66432

Festival Contact: Maye Wegner ~785-806-8314 or HASSDA-FESTIVAL@wesquaredance.com

Square Dance Attire Admired, Not Required

Cancellation Policy:

- Full Refund will be given if cancellation notice is received prior to June 15, 2026.
- One-half Refund will be given for cancellation between June 16 and July 1, 2026.
- No Refund will be given for cancellation after July 1, 2026.

All requests for cancellation must be in writing or e-mail to HASSDA Festival Contact.

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CHARLIE
580-618-8508

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\$60 PER PERSON PRESALE BEFORE 6/15/26

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TO REGISTER:

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Trail-in Dance 8:00-11:00pm

4 Square Dance Halls

2 Dedicated Rd Dance Halls

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10:00am – 11:00pm

9 Halls of Dancing

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Phases II-VI
Waltz - Rumba
Foxtrot - Jive
Mambo - Cha
Bolero - 2 Step
W Coast Swing

SQUARES

SSD/ Club 50 - DBD
Mainstream - Hex
Plus - Singing Calls
Advanced - Hot Hash
Challenge - Progressive

Specials

Contra
Singles Dance
Sewing Clinic
After Party
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Facebook: TN Square & Round
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51st Tennessee State Square & Round Dance Convention

August 6, 7, & 8, 2026

W.L. Mills Conference Center, Gatlinburg, Tennessee

234 Historic Nature Trail, 37738

Sponsored by the TN Asn. of Square & Round Dance Clubs, Inc.

Visit: www.tnsquaredance.org Convention Chairman Scott Ebright, scott_ebright@hotmail.com 937-830-1481

Key: Mn=minute, Wlk=walk, Drv=drive, CC=Conf. Ctr, St=standard room, Kg=king room, Qn=queen room, Dbl=double room

Please support your Convention by booking with the listed hotels. Inform them you are w/TN SQUARE DANCE CONV.

Reagan Resorts Inn - \$165 2Qn bed, \$215 Kg suite w/sofa bed, 938 Parkway (1 Mn Wlk, 2 Mn Drv to CC) 865-436-5607	Inform - w/TN SQUARE DANCE CONV	Sidney James Mtn Lodge \$109 2 Qn Ct Side 610 Airport Rd \$19 2 Fl, 2 Qn, 1 Kg Crk Side 865-436-7851	Inform - w/TN SQUARE DANCE CONV	Block Bear Inn & Suites \$170 Dbl Qn/St Kg \$210.00 Kg suite (**\$15/night service fee) 100 Parkway (1 Mn Wlk, 4 Mn.Drv to CC) 865-436-5656	Inform - w/TN SQUARE DANCE CONV
3 NIGHT Minimum Wi-Fi, outdoor pool, patio/balcony		(7 Mn Wlk, 4 Mn, Drv, to CC)		Breakfast, Wi-Fi, balcony, indoor pool (Rate Code 173235)	TN SQUARE DANCE CONV
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Wi-Fi, indoor pool, restaurant, private balcony	Booking link at : TNSquaredance.org	Wi-Fi, Indoor/outdoor pool, restaurant on site	Inform - w/TN SQUARE DANCE CONV	665 River Road (10 Mn Wlk, 5 Mn.Drv)	Wi-Fi, pool, breakfast, private balcony
The Wander Hotel \$119 Sun-Th Kg/ Dbl Qn 929 Parkway \$149 Fri-Sat Kg/ Dbl Qn 865-436-5032 (2Mn Wlk, 2 Drv to CC)	Wi-Fi, Breakfast, Pools , Pet Friendly	Edgewater Hotel \$139 Th. / \$159 Fr-St room 402 River Road (5 Mn Wlk, 4 Mn. Drv. to CC) https://edgewater-hotel.com	Breakfast, Wi-Fi, indoor/outdoor pool, balcony	Park Place Condos \$205 - 2 Bedroom 215 Shl Mtn. Rd. 865-436-6303	Sleeps 6 (15 Mn Wlk, 5 Mn Drv to CC)
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Cash or check only at Convention Center, NO credit cards.

CUT HERE & return with payment to Registration Chairman

Write check to: 2026 TN State Sq/Rd Dance Convention

Early Registrations MUST be postmarked by July 1, 2026

TICKETS (PER PERSON) YOUTH 18 and under, FREE with an adult. # attending (please list below*)
 Early Registration @ \$45.00 = \$ _____ Weekend after 7/1/26 @ \$50.00 = \$ _____
 Friday at the Door @ \$25.00 = \$ _____ Saturday at the door @ \$30.00 = \$ _____

Name(s) _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____ Club Name _____ TN State Assn. Area _____

*YOUTH Attending, Name(s) _____

HELP US TO PLAN HALL SIZE: **PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:**

DANCE LEVEL / TYPE:

<input type="checkbox"/> SS/ Club 50	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Rounds Ph II	<input type="checkbox"/> Lines	Other Interests:
<input type="checkbox"/> Mainstream	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Rounds Ph III	<input type="checkbox"/> Contra	<input type="checkbox"/> Solo
<input type="checkbox"/> Plus	<input type="checkbox"/> Challenge	<input type="checkbox"/> Rounds Ph IV		<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer
<input type="checkbox"/> Hot Hash		<input type="checkbox"/> Rounds Ph V		
<input type="checkbox"/> DBD		<input type="checkbox"/> Rounds Ph VI		
<input type="checkbox"/> Hex				

Write check to: 2026 TN State SQ/RD Convention

Mail to: 2026 TN State Convention

PO Box 82, McDonald, TN 37353

Registration Chairman : Connie Goodman

email: conniegoodman022@gmail.com

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For Convention Registrar Use Only:

Amount Paid _____ Cash _____ Check # _____ Date Registered _____

Registered by _____ Ribbons Received: Yes _____ No _____



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Phone: (_____) _____ E-mail: _____

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ALL FRIDAY SESSIONS \$45.00/PER PERSON: _____ ALL SAT. SESSIONS \$45.00/PER PERSON: _____

* FULL DANCE PACKAGE \$70.00 PER PERSON (PRE-REGISTRATION ONLY) (INCLUDES THURSDAY NIGHT)

* FULL DANCE PACKAGE \$80.00 PER PERSON (AT THE DOOR) (INCLUDES THURSDAY NIGHT) PRE-REGISTER AND SAVE

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September 18-19-20, 2026

Allemande Hall - 106 Westlake Dr. - Waco, TX

Program for this weekend will be MS-Plus-Adv

Fri. 5:00-5:45 PM A1/A2 Advance Dance

Fri. 5:45-7:00 PM Quick Teach, a few short easy Plus moves

Fri. 7:00-9:30 PM Main Dance - MS using Plus moves previously taught

Fri. 9:30-10:00 PM - Plus, using the full Plus Program list

Sat. 9:30-11:30 AM Plus teach and workshop

Sat. 1:30-2:00 PM A1/A2 Advance Dance

Sat. 2:00-4:00 AM Plus teach and workshop

Sat. 6:00-6:45 PM A1/A2 Advance Dance

Sat. 7:00-10:00 PM Main Dance - MS using Plus moves taught in workshops

Sun. 9:30-11:30 AM - casual Farewell dance

Full weekend package price per person: \$40 pre-register or \$50 at the door

Per session price per person at the door:

Fri. \$10 Sat. Morning \$10 Sat. Afternoon \$10 Sat. Evening \$10 Sun. Morning \$10

For more info or questions contact: Vernon Jones 817-727-6483 vernonjones@prodigy.net

Send pre-registration forms to: 450 E. Bradshaw Rd. Springtown, TX 76082

Make checks payable to BRAZOS BASH - You will receive an email confirming that you are registered

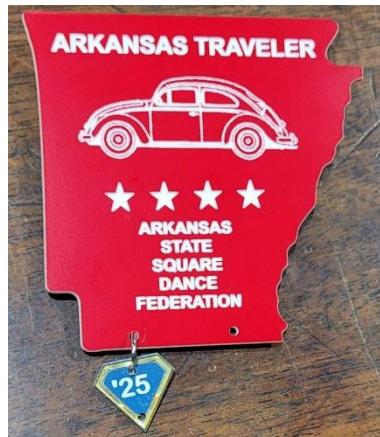
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STATE CONVENTION _____

CALLER _____ DATE _____

AREA I, (Mountain Home, Lakeview)

Club _____

OFFICER _____ DATE _____

AREA II, (Fort Smith)

Club _____

OFFICER _____ DATE _____

AREA III, (New Boston, TX; Shreveport, LA)

Club _____

OFFICER _____ DATE _____

AREA IV, (Hot Springs, White Hall)

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AREA V, (Little Rock, Conway)

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AREA VI, (Judsonia, Rose Bud)

Club _____

OFFICER _____ DATE _____

OTHER STATE _____

Club _____ City _____

OFFICER _____ DATE _____

ARKANSAS TRAVELER

- ALL dancers who have earned their Arkansas Traveler badge and/or Dangle, or Super Arkansas Traveler Dangle will be listed in the State Festival Program each year.
- All dancers who have earned 10 Dangles will receive a 10 year bar.
- See www.arkansassquaredance.com for a listing of clubs within the state.
- Only one card is needed per person or per couple.
- The awards will be made at the State Festival.

Earn an Arkansas Traveler Badge

1. Earn 5 of 9 possible points by visiting clubs in different areas, states, and/or the State Festival within one year—Sept 1 to August 31. The State Festival will count as 2 points.
2. Have this card signed and dated by a Club Officer in the Area visited.
3. Present your completed card to your club president by September 10.
4. You may earn only one badge or dangle per person per year.

Super Arkansas Traveler Dangle

1. Earn 7 of 9 possible points by visiting clubs in different areas, states and/or the State Festival within one year—Sept 1 to August 31. The State Festival will count as 2 points.
2. All other rules are the same as above.

CALLERLAB (NEW) PLUS PROGRAM -- Effective Sept. 1, 2026

Red denotes calls added from Basic and Mainstream

Green denotes calls added from Advanced

1. (Anything) And Roll
2. (Anything) And Spread
3. Acey Deucey
4. All Eight Spin The Top
5. Chase Right
6. **Circle To A Line**
7. **Clover And (Anything)**
8. **Cloverleaf**
9. Coordinate
10. Crossfire
11. Cut The Diamond
12. Diamond Circulate
13. Dixie Grand
14. **Dixie Style To An Ocean Wave**
15. **Do Paso**
16. **Eight Chain Thru / Eight Chain 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7**
17. Explode And (Anything)(From Ocean Waves Only)
18. Explode The Wave
19. Fan The Top
20. Flip The Diamond
21. Follow Your Neighbor
22. Grand Swing Thru
23. Linear Cycle (From Waves Only)
24. Load The Boat
25. **Pair Off**
26. **Partner Hinge**
27. **Partner Tag**
28. **Pass The Sea**
29. **Pass To The Center**
30. Peel Off
31. Peel The Top
32. Ping Pong Circulate
33. **Quarter Thru / Three Quarter Thru / Grand Quarter Thru / Grand Three Thru**
34. **Relay The Deucey**
35. Scoot And Dodge
36. **See Saw**
37. **Shoot The Star / Shoot The Star Full Around**
38. **Slip The Clutch**
39. Spin Chain And Exchange The Gears
40. Spin Chain The Gears
41. **Spin Chain Thru**
42. Teacup Chain
43. **Thar Family**
 - a. **Allemande Thar**
 - b. **Allemande Left To An Allemande Thar**
 - c. **Wrong Way Thar**
44. Track 2
45. Trade The Wave
46. Triple Scoot
47. **Triple Trade**
48. **Turn Thru**
49. **Walk And Dodge**
50. **Walk Around**

Note: The **original image** from Callerlab on Facebook was **hard to read**, especially with the **Advanced** level calls **moved** to **Plus** level.

Special Dances/Festivals

Please call before traveling, to check for last-minute dance/festival cancellations...especially around the holidays. 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. Please **support your ASSDF clubs** with a visit to them; and have your **Arkansas Traveler Badge** form (noted on the previous page).

The listings of dances/festivals are with the **ASSDF Clubs** first, then **non-ASSDF dances/festivals** in Arkansas, Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas). The **National Square Dance Convention ®** (NSDC) events are always listed, no matter what state it's located in.

Please send flyers on out of state dances and festivals to the Editor at assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com – **CANCELED** dances, or in the past, have been **REMOVED** from this listing. The out-of-state festivals will have the first page of their flyers in the full e-Edition, with full info on the **ASSDF website** (URL noted below).

Flyers not yet on the **ASSDF website** will be placed there as soon as possible; and will be noted here, once they're online. Website links, if known, are noted with the dance listing. You can also find this info on the **ASSDF website** at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events>

In issues where the publication is released prior to the 1st day of the new month, dances from late in the previous month will be noted.

ASSDF Club Special Dances

FEBRUARY 2026

Feb. 6, 2026 – Twirling Lariats Sweetheart Dance, American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane) Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Caller: Nelda Eaton. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 10, 2026 -- Nelda's Plussers -- 2nd Tuesday Plus Squares with Lines or Country Western Dancing Between Tips, The Eaton's Shop, 1519 County Road 4003, New Boston, TX. Workshop at 6:30pm, Dancing from 7pm to 9pm. **** NO ANIMALS ALLOWED IN THE SHOP **** See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 13, 2026 – Heber Springers Valentine's Special Dance, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse.

Feb. 14, 2026 – Maverick Mixers Sweetheart Dance, American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 14, 2026 – Southern Swingers Valentine's Dance, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Guest Caller: Brad Caldwell. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 16, 2026 – Pioneers Valentine's Special Dance, Sycamore Springs Retirement Center, 165 Jerry Baker Lane, Mountain Home, AR. Caller: Roy Hestand.

Feb. 18, 2026 – Twirling Funtimers Valentine's Dinner And Dance, Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Drive, Lakeview, AR. Guest Caller: Roy Hestand. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 23, 2026 – Jet Across Arkansas Special Dance, American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Caller: Jet Roberts. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 27, 2026 – Louisiana Lagniappe Dance, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 28, 2026 – Gateway To The Ozarks Clogging Workshop, Pocahontas, AR. Clogging Instructors: Lanita Hammett, Shina

Morgan, Kaydin Seawel, LaRetha Morrison. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

MARCH 2026

March 6-7, 2026 – Spring Fling On Mount Nebo. Sponsored by the ASSDF, the Twirling Lariats, and the Maverick Mixers. Callers: Jay King, Tim Tyl, and Phil Moorehouse. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

March 10, 2026 -- Nelda's Plussers -- 2nd Tuesday Plus Squares with Lines or Country Western Dancing Between Tips, The Eaton's Shop, 1519 County Road 4003, New Boston, TX. Workshop at 6:30pm, Dancing from 7pm to 9pm. **** NO ANIMALS ALLOWED IN THE SHOP **** See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

March 13, 2026 – Heber Springers St. Patrick's Special Dance, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse.

March 16, 2026 – Pioneers St Patrick's Special Dance, Sycamore Springs Retirement Center, 165 Jerry Baker Lane, Mountain Home, AR. Caller: Roy Hestand.

March 18, 2026 – Twirling Funtimers Baby It's Chili Dinner And Dance, Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Drive, Lakeview, AR. Guest Caller: Roy Hestand

APRIL 2026

April 3, 2026 – Louisiana Lagniappe Dance, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

April 14, 2026 -- Nelda's Plussers -- 2nd Tuesday Plus Squares with Lines or Country Western Dancing Between Tips, The Eaton's Shop, 1519 County Road 4003, New Boston, TX. Workshop at 6:30pm, Dancing from 7pm to 9pm. **** NO ANIMALS ALLOWED**

IN THE SHOP ** See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

April 15, 2026 – Twirling Funtimers Festival Of Eight Special Dinner And Dance, Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Drive, Lakeview, AR. Guest Caller: Kenton Sullivan.

April 24-25, 2026 – Clogging In The Natural State Workshop Weekend, American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Clogging Instructors: Chip Summey, Lanita Hammett, Cathy Micheals, Joe Dawley, and Alice Havel. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

MAY 2026

May 12, 2026 -- Nelda's Plussers -- 2nd Tuesday Plus Squares with Lines or Country Western Dancing Between Tips, The Eaton's Shop, 1519 County Road 4003, New Boston, TX. Workshop at 6:30pm, Dancing from 7pm to 9pm. **** NO ANIMALS ALLOWED IN THE SHOP** ** See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

May 20, 2026 – Twirling Funtimers The Colors Of Spring Dinner And Dance, Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Drive, Lakeview, AR. Caller: Donna Gellenbeck.

May 25, 2026 – The Pioneers are **DARK** tonight.

May 29, 2026 – Louisiana Lagniappe Dance, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

May 29, 2026 – The Twirling Lariats are **DARK** tonight.

May 30, 2026 – The Maverick Mixers are **DARK** tonight.

May 30, 2026 – Twirling Lariats June Bug Dance, Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Caller: Tim Tyl. Further details will be posted as soon as possible.

JUNE 2026

June 8, 2026 – Pioneers Straw Hat Special Dance, Sycamore Springs Retirement Center, 165 Jerry Baker Lane, Mountain Home, AR. Caller: Roy Hestand.

June 9, 2026 -- Nelda's Plussers -- 2nd Tuesday Plus Squares with Lines or Country Western Dancing Between Tips, The Eaton's Shop, 1519 County Road 4003, New Boston, TX. Workshop at 6:30pm, Dancing from 7pm to 9pm. **** NO ANIMALS ALLOWED IN THE SHOP **** See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 17, 2026 – Twirling Funtimers Sun Hat Special Dance, Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Drive, Lakeview, AR. Guest Caller: Ken Jarman.

June 25, 2026 – The Heber Springer's and Levi's And Lace are DARK tonight.

June 26, 2026 – The Maverick Mixers are DARK tonight.

JULY 2026

July 3, 2026 – The Twirling Lariats are DARK tonight.

July 4, 2026 – The Three Amigos Happy Birthday America Nifty At 250 Dance, American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Callers: Nelda Eaton, Amanda and Blake Throgmartin, and Phil Moorehouse. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

July 10, 2026 – Heber Springer's Red White And Blue Dance, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse.

July 14, 2026 -- Nelda's Plussers -- 2nd Tuesday Plus Squares with Lines or Country Western Dancing Between Tips, The Eaton's Shop, 1519 County Road 4003, New Boston, TX. Workshop at

6:30pm, Dancing from 7pm to 9pm. **** NO ANIMALS ALLOWED IN THE SHOP **** See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

July 15, 2026 – Twirling Funtimers Most Creative Club Colors Summer Attire Special Dance, Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Drive, Lakeview, AR. Guest Caller: Donna Gellenbeck.

July 24, 2026 – Louisiana Lagniappe Dance, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

AUGUST 2026

Aug. 11, 2026 -- Nelda's Plussers -- 2nd Tuesday Plus Squares with Lines or Country Western Dancing Between Tips, The Eaton's Shop, 1519 County Road 4003, New Boston, TX. Workshop at 6:30pm, Dancing from 7pm to 9pm. **** NO ANIMALS ALLOWED IN THE SHOP **** See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Aug. 17, 2026 – Pioneers Hobo Dance, Sycamore Springs Retirement Center, 165 Jerry Baker Lane, Mountain Home, AR. Caller: Roy Hestand.

Aug. 19, 2026 – Twirling Funtimers Polynesian Dreaming Special Dance, Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Drive, Lakeview, AR. Guest Caller: Jay Wright

Aug. 21, 2026 – Heber Springers Ice Cream Social Dance, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse.

SEPTEMBER 2026

Sep. 7, 2026 – The Pioneers are **DARK** tonight.

Sep. 8, 2026 -- Nelda's Plussers -- 2nd Tuesday Plus Squares with Lines or Country Western Dancing Between Tips, The Eaton's

Shop, 1519 County Road 4003, New Boston, TX. Workshop at 6:30pm, Dancing from 7pm to 9pm. **** NO ANIMALS ALLOWED IN THE SHOP **** See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Sep. 16, 2026 – Twirling Funtimers Indian PowWow Special Dance, Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Drive, Lakeview, AR. Guest Caller: Phil Moorehouse.

Sep. 25, 2026 – Heber Springers Hillbilly Dance, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse.

Sep. 25, 2026 – Louisiana Lagniappe Dance, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

OCTOBER 2026

Oct. 8, 2026 – Trail End Dance for the 76th ASSDF Fall Festival, Van Buren County Fairgrounds, Clinton, Arkansas. Hosted by the Heber Springers. Caller: Ken Burke. Separate admission at the door. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Oct. 9-10, 2026 – 76th ASSDF Fall Festival, Van Buren County Fairgrounds, Clinton, Arkansas. Hosted by the Heber Springers. Friday Night National Caller: Scott Bennett. Arkansas' Callers and Cuers Friday afternoon, plus Saturday and Saturday night. See the flyers elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info. Further details will be announced as soon as possible.

Oct. 9, 2026 – The Heber Springers and Levi's And Lace are DARK tonight.

Oct. 10, 2026 – The Maverick Mixers are DARK tonight.

Oct. 12, 2026 – The Pioneers are DARK tonight.

Oct. 13, 2026 -- Nelda's Plussers -- 2nd Tuesday Plus Squares with Lines or Country Western Dancing Between Tips, The Eaton's Shop, 1519 County Road 4003, New Boston, TX. Workshop at 6:30pm, Dancing from 7pm to 9pm. **** NO ANIMALS ALLOWED IN THE SHOP **** See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Oct. 16, 2026 – Louisiana Lagniappe Dance, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Oct. 21, 2026 – Twirling Funtimers Halloween Special Dance, Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Drive, Lakeview, AR. Guest Caller: Monty Hackler

Oct. 23, 2026 – Heber Springers Halloween Dance, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Caller: TBA

Oct. 26, 2026 -- Pioneers Halloween Special Dance, Sycamore Springs Retirement Center, 165 Jerry Baker Lane, Mountain Home, AR. Caller: Roy Hestand.

NOVEMBER 2026

Nov. 6, 2026 – Louisiana Lagniappe Dance, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Nov. 9, 2026 – Pioneers Veterans Special Dance, Sycamore Springs Retirement Center, 165 Jerry Baker Lane, Mountain Home, AR. Caller: Roy Hestand.

Nov. 10, 2026 -- Nelda's Plussers -- 2nd Tuesday Plus Squares with Lines or Country Western Dancing Between Tips, The Eaton's Shop, 1519 County Road 4003, New Boston, TX. Workshop at 6:30pm, Dancing from 7pm to 9pm. **** NO ANIMALS ALLOWED IN THE SHOP **** See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Nov. 11, 2026 – Twirling Funtimers Hot Chocolate Special Dance,
Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Drive, Lakeview, AR.
Caller: Ken Jarman

Nov. 13, 2026 – Heber Springers Veterans Dance, Rosebud
Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Caller:
Phil Moorehouse.

**Nov. 18, 2026 – Twirling Funtimers “I’m Grateful” Dinner And
Dance,** Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Drive, Lakeview,
AR. Caller: Donna Gellenbeck

Nov. 23, 2026 – The Pioneers are DARK tonight.

Nov. 25, 2026 – The Twirling Funtimers are DARK tonight.

Nov. 27, 2026 – The Heber Springers are DARK tonight.

DECEMBER 2026

**Dec. 8, 2026 -- Nelda's Plussters -- 2nd Tuesday Plus Squares with
Lines or Country Western Dancing Between Tips,** The Eaton's
Shop, 1519 County Road 4003, New Boston, TX. Workshop at
6:30pm, Dancing from 7pm to 9pm. **** NO ANIMALS ALLOWED
IN THE SHOP **** See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the
ASSDF website for more info.

**Dec. 16, 2026 – Twirling Funtimers Best Christmas Memory
Special Dance,** Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Drive,
Lakeview, AR. Caller: Donna Gellenbeck

Dec. 21, 2026 – The Pioneers are DARK tonight.

Dec. 23, 2026 – The Twirling Funtimers are DARK tonight.

Dec. 25, 2026 – The Levi's And Lace and the Heber Springers are
DARK tonight.

Dec. 28, 2026 – Pioneers End Of Year Special Dance, Sycamore Springs Retirement Center, 165 Jerry Baker Lane, Mountain Home, AR. Caller: Roy Hestand.

Dec. 30, 2026 – Twirling Funtimers “Something Old, Something New” Dinner And Dance, Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Drive, Lakeview, AR. Callers: Donna Gellenbeck and Ken Jarman.

Non-ASSDF Special Dances and Festivals

FEBRUARY 2026

Feb. 1, 2026 – Chocolate Hugs And Kisses Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Callers: Deborah Carroll-Jones. Cuer: Chris Farabaugh. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 5, 2026 -- Roadrunners Under The Sea Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Guest Caller: Phil Moorehouse. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 6, 2026 -- Texas Reelers Super Bowl Dance, Richardson, TX. Callers: Deborah Carroll-Jones and Jon Jones. Cuers: Chris and Maria Farabaugh. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 6, 2026 -- Triangle Squares Valentines Dance, Denton, TX. Caller/Cuer: Toby Thomason. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 6, 2026 – Kissin’ Kuzzins Febreyary Coffee Dance, Garland, TX. Caller: Mike Bramlett. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 6-7, 2026 – TSquare Gadabouts and Circle 8 Squares 2nd Annual Friendship Let’s Go Cruisin’ Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Callers: Scott Bennett, Mike Hogan, Wernon Jones, Bear Miller, and Justin Russell. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 12, 2026 -- Double Plus Anniversary Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Guest Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 13, 2026 -- Pioneers Square Dance Club Be Our Valentine Italian Dinner And Dance, Weatherford, TX. Guest Caller: Toby Thomason. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 13, 2026 -- Stone Steppers Valentines Dance, Garland, TX. Caller: Bill Hinkley. Cuer: Christine Hixson. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 13-14, 2026 – 17th Annual February Frenzy Dance Weekend, Port Lavaca, TX. Caller: Joey Duhamel. Cuers: Marilyn and Jarral Waguespack. See the flyer in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 14, 2026 -- Circle I Valentine Dance Party, Irving, TX. Caller: Ray Savell. Cuer: Chris Farabaugh. **** Ladies Get In For Half Price**
****** See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 19, 2026 -- Roadrunners Happy Valentines New Dancer Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Guest Caller: Mike Bramlett. Guest Cuer: Jan Toms. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 19, 2026 – Texas Lagniappe Dance, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 20-22, 2026 -- Red River Special Plus Level Dance Weekend, Ardmore, OK. Callers: Jet Roberts and Charlie Robertson. See the flyer in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 20, 2026 -- Kissin Kuzzins Special Dance, Garland, TX. Guest Caller: Bill Hinkley. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 20, 2026 – T-Square Gadabouts Special Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Guest Caller: Phillip Kamm (from Germany). See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Feb. 20, 2026 -- Texas Reelers Valentine Dance, Richardson, TX. Callers: Deborah Carroll-Jones and Jon Jones. Cuers: Chris and Maria Farabaugh. See the flyer on the [ASSDF website](#) for more info.

Feb. 20, 2026 -- Triangle Squares Mardi Gras Party Dance, Denton, TX. Caller/Cuer: Toby Thomason. See the flyer on the [ASSDF website](#) for more info.

Feb. 21, 2026 -- Trailblazers Beads And Bling Mardi Gras Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Guest Caller: Phillip Kamm. Club Cuer: Walter Brewer. See the flyer on the [ASSDF website](#) for more info.

Feb. 21, 2026 -- Hi-Stepper Squares Special Dance, Weatherford, OK. Caller: Paul Hagen.

Feb. 21, 2026 – Rebel Rousers Black And White Ball, Richardson, TX. Guest Caller: Darryl Lipscomb. Club Caller: Mike Bramlett. Club Cuer: Christine Hixson. See the flyer on the [ASSDF website](#) for more info.

Feb. 27, 2026 -- Fort Worth Squares A Most Propitious Evening Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Caller: David Toms. Cuer: David Berling. See the flyer on the [ASSDF website](#) for more info.

Feb. 27, 2026 -- Swinging Stars Mardi Gras Dance, Richardson, TX. Caller: Charlie Robertson. Cuer: Jan Toms. See the flyer on the [ASSDF website](#) for more info.

Feb. 28, 2026 -- Tri-City Promenaders Behind The Mask Dance, Hurst, TX. Caller: Ray Savell. Cuer: Chris Farabaugh. See the flyer on the [ASSDF website](#) for more info.

MARCH 2026

March 1, 2026 – T-Square Gadabouts Special Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Guest Caller: Tony Oxendine. See the flyer on the [ASSDF website](#) for more info. ** Afternoon Dance **

March 6, 2026 -- Kissin Kuzzins Oreo Cookie Day Dance, Garland, TX. Guest Caller: Ray Savell. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

March 13-14, 2026 – 52nd Annual Texas Association Of Single Square Dancers (TASSD) Roundup, Waco, TX. Caller: Dave Rivera. Cuer: Michelle Rivera. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info, or go to <https://tassd.org>

March 21, 2026 -- Hi-Stepper Squares Special Dance, Weatherford, OK. Caller: Darryl Lipscomb.

March 26, 2026 – Texas Lagniappe Dance, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

March 27-28, 2026 – 63rd Annual East Texas Square And Round Dance Association Spring Festival, Marshall, TX. Callers: Pat Kotal and Gary Sanders. Cuers: Fred and Linda Ayres. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

APRIL 2026

April 2, 2026 – Texas Lagniappe Dance, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

April 10-11, 2026 – Northeast Oklahoma Square Dance Association (NEOSDA) Spring Festival, Claremore, OK. Trail End Dance on April 10, Festival on April 11. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

April 17-18, 2026 – 73rd Heart Of America Federation Square Dance Festival, Kansas City, MO. Callers: Tim Tyl and Ken Burke. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

April 18, 2026 -- Hi-Stepper Squares Special Dance, Weatherford, OK. Caller: Ray Savell.

MAY 2026

May 14, 2026 – Texas Lagniappe Dance, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the [ASSDF website](#) for more info.

May 16, 2026 -- Hi-Stepper Squares Special Dance, Weatherford, OK. Caller: Tim Tyl.

May 22-23, 2026 -- Chapel Hill Get Away Plus Weekend, Chapel Hill, TN. Callers: Jet Roberts and Charlie Robertson. Cuers: Connie and Robert Wise. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the [ASSDF website](#) for more info

May 22-24, 2026 – 10th Annual Mineola Railers Mainstream Extravaganza, Mineola, TX. Callers: Tim Tyl and Monty Hackler. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the [ASSDF website](#) for more info.

May 30, 2026 – 50 Years Of Calling Special Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Callers: Mike Bramlett, Dave Vieira, Dale Smith, and John Kephardt. **** Afternoon Dance **** See the flyer on the [ASSDF website](#) for more info.

May 30, 2026 – Tri-City Promenaders Elvis' Viva Las Vegas Anniversary Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Caller: Scott Bennett. Cuer: Chris Farabaugh. See the flyer on the [ASSDF website](#) for more info.

May 30, 2026 – Triangle Squares 51st Anniversary Roaring 20's Dance, Fort Worth, TX. A flyer will be on the [ASSDF website](#) as soon as possible.

JUNE 2026

June 4-6, 2026 – 64th Texas State Federation Square And Round Dance Festival, Longview, TX. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the [ASSDF website](#) for more info.

June 5-6, 2026 – 72nd Kansas Square Dance Festival, Wichita, KS. Caller: Eric Henalu. Cuers: Kay and Bob Kurczewski. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 11, 2026 – Texas Lagniappe Dance, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 20, 2026 -- Hi-Stepper Squares Special Dance, Weatherford, OK. Caller: Monty Hackler.

June 24-27, 2026 – 75th National Square Dance Convention®, Waco, Texas. More info, as well as a Registration Form are at <https://75nsdctx.com/> and in the full e-Edition.

JULY 2026

July 10-11, 2026 – Heart Of America Single Square Dance Association (HASSDA) Dance Weekend, Emporia, KS. Callers: Nick Hartley, Dan Sahlstrom, and Tim Tyl. Cuers: Mitchell and Chelsea Thompson. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

July 10-11, 2026 -- Royal Rendezvous, Ardmore, OK. Callers: Tony Oxendine, Jet Roberts, and Charlie Robertson. Cuers: Jan and David Toms. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

July 18, 2026 -- Hi-Stepper Squares Special Dance, Weatherford, OK. Caller: Bobby Willis.

July 23, 2026 – Texas Lagniappe Dance, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

AUGUST 2026

Aug. 6-8, 2026 – 51st Tennessee Square and Round Dance Convention, Gatlinburg, TN. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, or on the **ASSDF website** for more info, or go to <https://tnsquaredance.org/>

Aug. 15, 2026 -- Hi-Stepper Squares Special Dance, Weatherford, OK. Caller: Phil Moorehouse.

Aug. 27, 2026 – Texas Lagniappe Dance, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

SEPTEMBER 2026

Sep. 3-6, 2026 – 30th Annual An Evening In Paris Weekend, Paris, TX. Callers: Darryl Lipscomb, Tony Oxendine, Tim Tyl, Buddy Weaver, and Charlie Robertson. Cuers: David and Jan Toms. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Sep. 10, 2026 – Texas Lagniappe Dance, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Sep. 18-20, 2026 – Brazos Bash Square Dance Weekend, Waco, TX. Callers: Vernon Jones, Ken Burke, and Tim Tyl. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Sep. 19, 2026 -- Hi-Stepper Squares Special Dance, Weatherford, OK. Caller: Jeff Holley.

OCTOBER 2026

Oct. 1, 2026 – Texas Lagniappe Dance, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Oct. 17, 2026 -- Hi-Stepper Squares Fall Festival, Weatherford, OK. Caller: Vernon Jones.

NOVEMBER 2026

Nov. 12, 2026 – Texas Lagniappe Dance, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Nov. 21, 2026 -- Hi-Stepper Squares Special Dance, Weatherford, OK. Caller: Darryl Lipscomb.

DECEMBER 2026

Dec. 3, 2026 – Texas Lagniappe Dance, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX.

Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Dec. 19, 2026 -- Hi-Stepper Squares Special Dance, Weatherford, OK. Caller: Bobby Willis.

JUNE 2027

June 23-26, 2027 – 76th National Square Dance Convention

®, Loveland, Colorado. More info, as well as an Early Bird

Registration Form are at <https://76nsdc.com>

JUNE 2028

June 28 through July 1, 2028 – 77th National Square Dance

Convention ®, Daytona Beach, Florida. More info, as well as an Early Bird Registration form is at <https://77nsdcfl.com/> (**Corrected Dates**)

Club Reports

Arky Cloggers

The Arky Cloggers are as “Country As Cornbread” as noted by the photos in the Special Dances e-Edition. Happy Month of **LOVE** from the Arky Cloggers!!!

I'm happy to report the **January Open House** was a **huge success!** We welcomed six new members to the Cornbread Posse! They are doing an awesome job so far.

The "Snowmageddon" at the end of January might have given the dancers a little break from classes, but Lanita stayed busy working on new Spring costume ideas, lining up performances for later in the year and getting ready for the clogging workshop in Pocahontas later this

month, and in Mabelvale in late April. Flyers are elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** under **Upcoming Events** on both these events. It's a full-time job to turn all the gears to keep those cloggers kicking!!

We are **ALL** looking forward to the "**Arkan-Thaw**" that will happen in the next few days. The white stuff was beautiful for a little while, but not when it prevented us from getting to class. I know everyone will be thrilled to get back to classes.

We normally dance every Tuesday at 1490 South Donaghey Avenue in Conway...with our Boost Class from 3:30pm to 5pm...followed by our Intermediate and Advanced Class from 5pm to 6:30pm, and our Beginners Class from 6:30pm to 8pm. You don't need a partner to clog with, and you'll see that "Clogging Is Not A Plumbing Problem".

Remember you are always welcome to drop in any Tuesday and meet the team and check out the craziness the Arky Cloggers know and do so well.

Please check our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/7366350676716921> or our website at <https://www.arkycloggers.com> for updates.

Until next month....

Lanita (aka Commander Cornbread)

Blue Belles And Beaus

Our own **Phil Moorehouse** joined fellow callers Nelda Eaton, with the husband-wife team of Blake and Amanda Throgmartin, at **The Three Amigos M.E.T. Your Kicks To Dance in 2026** on Jan. 3, in Little Rock. Three squares of dancers rang in the new year with great dancing. The next **Three Amigos Dance** will be on Saturday, July 4, 2026, at the **Happy Birthday America Nifty At 250 Dance**, in Little Rock. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

We had to cancel our January 29 dance, due to many roads being snow and ice covered, from the late January winter storm that affected much of the region. Otherwise, you have an open invitation to join us on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursday of each month.

Our own **Phil Moorehouse** will join fellow callers **Jay King** and **Tim Tyl** at the **Spring Fling on Mount Nebo**, on March 6-7, 2026. A flyer and registration form, along with some photos of the facilities, are elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website**.

You can find the latest updates for our club on our Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100052996541923>

Robert and Cheryl Shaver

Guys N Dolls

Our own **Nelda Eaton** joined fellow callers **Phil Moorehouse**, plus the husband-wife team of **Blake and Amanda Throgmartin** at the **Three Amigos M.E.T. Your Kicks To Dance in 2026** dance in Little Rock, on Jan. 3. Over 3 square dancers had a great time...with several photos noted in the Special Dances e-Edition. The **Three Amigos** next dance will be the **Happy Birthday America -- Nifty At 250 Dance**, on Saturday, July 4, 2026, in Little Rock. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Nelda will also be calling the **Twirling Lariats Sweetheart Dance** on Friday, Feb. 6, 2026, in Little Rock. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Nelda also invites dancers in the New Boston, Texas area to dance with "**Nelda's Plussers**" at her place on the second Tuesday of each month. For the rest of 2026, the dance dates are Feb. 10... March 10...April 14...May 12...June 9...July 14...August 11...September 8...October 13...November 10...and December 8. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** under **Upcoming Events** for more info.

We normally dance on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 7pm, at Plentiful Harvest Church, at 500 North Merrill in New Boston, Texas.

We'd love to have you join us for a fun evening of square and line dancing.

Our Facebook page is at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1182928908453786> -- you'll find any last-minute updates.

Rhonda Bailey

Heber Springer

Our own Phil Moorehouse joined fellow callers **Nelda Eaton**, and the husband-wife team of Blake and Amanda Throgmartin at **The Three Amigos M.E.T. Your Kicks To Dance in 2026** dance on Jan. 3 -- with 3 squares of dancers there. The next **Three Amigos Dance** will be on July 4, 2026, with the **Happy Birthday America -- Nifty At 250 Dance**. We hope to see you there. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Our January 23 dance was canceled, due to the winter storm that brought snow, sleet, and freezing rain to much of Arkansas.

Our own **Phil Moorehouse** will join fellow callers **Jay King** and **Tim Tyl** at the **Spring Fling on Mount Nebo**, on March 6-7, 2026. A flyer and registration form, along with some photos of the facilities, are elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website**.

As noted, we've set up our regular and special dance schedule in 2026...and additional changes are possible to this list.

This month, on February 13, is our **Valentine's Dance**, with a regular dance on Feb. 27. On March 13, we'll have our **St. Patrick's Dance**, with a regular dance on March 27.

Moving into spring, our dances on April 10 and 24, plus May 8 and 22, and June 12, will be regular dances. We will be **DARK** on June 26 for the **76th National Square Dance Convention (R)** in Waco, Texas, as several members plan to attend that event.

Into July, we celebrate America's 250th birthday with our **Red White and Blue Dance** on July 10, with a regular dance on July 24. August

will have a regular dance on August 7, with our annual **Ice Cream Social Dance** on August 21.

Heading into autumn, we'll have a regular dance on Sept. 11, with our **Hillbilly Dance** on Sept. 25. For October, we'll be **DARK** on Oct. 9 for the **ASSDF Fall Festival** (details are later in this report), then our **Halloween Dance** is set for Oct. 23.

To finish off the year, Nov. 13 will feature our **Veterans Dance**, and Dec. 11 will have our **Christmas Dinner and Dance**. Note that we will be **DARK** on November 27 for Thanksgiving Week, and **DARK** on December 25 for Christmas Week.

We're hosting the **2026 ASSDF Fall Festival** at the Van Buren County Fairgrounds in Clinton. National Caller **Ken Burke** will call the Trail End Dance on Oct. 8, and we'll also have National Caller **Scott Bennett** on Friday evening...along with **Arkansas' Callers And Cuers** the rest of the weekend. A flyer on the Trail End Dance (with hotel information), and a registration form for the weekend is elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website**...and more details will be noted as soon as possible.

We normally dance on the 2nd and 4th Friday at 7pm at the Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West in Rosebud. We'd love to have you join us!!

Theresa Muth

Levi's And Lace

Our own **Blake and Amanda Throgmartin** joined fellow callers **Phil Moorehouse** and **Nelda Eaton** at **The Three Amigos M.E.T. Your Kicks To Dance in 2026**, on Saturday, Jan. 3. There were 3 squares at the dance, and everyone had a great time. The next **Three Amigos Dance** will be the **Happy Birthday America -- Nifty At 250 Dance**, on Saturday, July 4, 2026, in Little Rock. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

A good crowd was at our Jan. 9, 2023 dance, dancing to our own Blake and Amanda Throgmartin...several photos are in the Special

Dances e-Edition. Unfortunately, we had to cancel our Jan. 23 dance, due to the snow, sleet, and freezing rain, from the late January winter storm.

We normally dance the 2nd and 4th Friday at 7pm, at Lake Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Hot Springs. We'd love to have you join us for a fun evening of dancing, food, and fellowship. Ron Wise does a Plus Workshop at 7pm, then our regular dance with callers Amanda and Blake Throgmartin calling.

Please check our Facebook page at

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1496305407256737> for updates.

Phyllis Keeney

Maverick Mixers

Several dancers attended **The Three Amigos M.E.T. Your Kicks To Dance in 2026**, at our regular dance place on Saturday, Jan. 3, 2026. Our own **Phil Moorehouse** was joined by fellow callers Nelda Eaton of the Twirling Lariats and Guys and Dolls, plus **Blake and Amanda Throgmartin** of the Levi's And Lace, where 3 squares of dancers were in attendance. The next **Three Amigos Dance** will be the **Happy Birthday America Nifty At 250 Dance**, on Saturday, July 4, 2026, in Little Rock. We hope to see you there. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

We had 2 squares at our Jan. 10 dance...several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition. Unfortunately, Winter Storm Fern caused the cancellation of our Jan. 24 dance, as well as our **OPEN HOUSE** on Jan. 27...but the **OPEN HOUSE** was **moved** to February 3, the night we're starting a new set of lessons, with our own **Phil Moorehouse** as instructor. A flyer is on the **ASSDF website under New Dancers**, and elsewhere in this issue.

What a BLAST!!! It was a small group for our **BLANKETS AND COCOA HOEDOWN** ON Jan. 31, but it was **TONS** of fun!!! A great big thank you to everyone that came. Dancers were even surprised with goodie bags! Everyone texted me when they got home safely. It was a great way to celebrate national hot chocolate day!! Several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

This month, we have a **Sweetheart Dance on Valentine's Day**, Feb. 14, with our own **Phil Moorehouse calling**. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for details. Then, next month, our own **Phil Moorehouse** will join fellow callers **Jay King** and **Tim Tyl** at the **Spring Fling on Mount Nebo**, on March 6-7, 2026. A flyer and registration form, along with some photos of the facilities, are elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website**.

We dance on the 2nd, 4th, and selected 5th Saturdays, at American Legion Post 128, at 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane) in Mabelvale. When our own **Phil Moorehouse** is not "a Traveling Maverick", calling special dances elsewhere...he always provides a fun evening...but we welcome guest callers to do tips at our dances.

Please call before you travel or check our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2402030760029886> for last minute changes or cancellations.

Daryl Stout

Pioneers

We had a square of dancers at our **After Christmas Dance** on Dec. 29, 2025 -- several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

The winter storm affected our late January dances, but we hope the roads will be clear in time for our 2 special dances that are coming up. First, it's our **Valentine's Dance** on Feb. 16 -- come show your love for this wonderful hobby. Then, in March, our **St. Patrick's Dance** will be on March 16...be sure to wear your green for this one!! Roy will also be calling the **Twirling Funtimers Valentines Dance** on Feb. 18, and their "**Baby, It's Chili**" **Dinner and Dance** on March 18.

As we head into summer, we'll have our **Straw Hat Special** on June 8, and our **Hobo Dance** on August 17. Wear your fancy straw hats for our June 8 special, and your hobo outfit for our **Hobo Dance** (we hope to have hobo stew there as well).

When the hot hash of the "**Red Hot**" summer goes to cooler fall temperatures (heading to the "**Ice Cold**" of winter), we'll have a **Halloween Special** on Oct. 26, and our **Veterans Special** on Nov. 9.

Then, we'll finish off the year with an **End Of Year Special Dance** on Dec. 28.

Please note that some of the specials might change to Fridays or Saturdays...watch our club report and our Facebook page for updates.

Also, we will be **DARK** (not dancing) on the following Mondays in 2026...these are noted in the **Special Events Calendar** elsewhere in this issue, on the **ASSDF website** under **Upcoming Events**.

May 25 (**Memorial Day**)...Sept. 7 (**Labor Day**)...Oct. 12 (**Columbus Day**)...Nov. 23 (**Thanksgiving Week**)...and Dec. 21 (**Christmas Week**).

We dance at Sycamore Springs Retirement Center, at 165 Jerry Baker Lane, in Mountain Home, Arkansas from 7pm to 9pm...with doors opening at 6:30pm.

Please check our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/859216584467625> for any other updates.

Note that we will likely be **DARK** on dance nights, if winter weather or icy roads are in the region.

Becky Hestand

River City Squares

Our thoughts and prayers to Karen Reed Woodruff and her family, with her granddaughter, Katelyn, in critical condition from diabetic ketoacidosis. Both Karen and her husband, Adam, had danced with our club a few years ago.

We had to cancel our Jan. 27, 2026 dance due to significant snow and sleet from Winter Storm Fern.

Our newest square dance class continues at our regular dance place, the Fort Smith Senior Center, at 2700 Cavanaugh Road, with our own Jay King instructing the potential new dancers. For those who have square danced before, please feel free to come out and visit us. Watch

the dancing, and if you feel like you remember the calls, and want to give it a try, we'll include you in a tip.

Our own **Jay King** will join fellow callers **Phil Moorehouse** and **Tim Tyl** at the **Spring Fling On Mount Nebo**, on March 6-7, 2026. A flyer and registration form, along with some site photos, are elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** under **Upcoming Events**.

Please see our Facebook page at
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1470785299916715> for any changes or updates.

Jody King

Southern Swingers

We start this report off on a sad note, with the passing of dancer Carl "Pete" Copes. He and his wife Emily had danced with us for many years...he will be sorely missed.

We started a new set of lessons on Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2026, at our regular dance location (noted later in this report). However, the Jan. 27 class/workshop was canceled due to roads being snow and ice covered from the late January winter storm.

We had 2 squares at our first big special dance of 2026 on Saturday, Jan. 10, at our regular dance place, with **Guest Caller K.O. Jeanes**. Several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition, along with a photo of three of our ladies who are celebrating birthdays in January.

We are doing a **Valentine's Dance** on Saturday, Feb. 14, with **Guest Caller Brad Caldwell**. A flyer is elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** with more details.

Also, starting on Feb. 27, is our first **2026 Louisiana Lagniappe Dance** with **Tim Tyl**. Other **2026 Louisiana Lagniappe Dances** are set for April 3, May 29, July 24, Sept. 25, Oct. 16, and Nov. 6. A flyer for these dances is elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website**.

Other **2026 Special Dances** will be posted on our Facebook page, and added to the **ASSDF website**, as details become available.

We dance at Promenade Hall, at 5400 Benton Road, in Bossier City, Louisiana, on Tuesday evenings, with special dances on selected Saturdays, with our own Joey Duhamel always calling a great dance.

Please be sure to check our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064404143648> for any updates.

Carole Baker

Star Steppers

Our Jan. 12 dance had the best square on the floor, and it featured our own **Phil Moorehouse**, with additional callers of **Lanita Pettey Hammett**, plus **Amanda Hargrove-Throgmartin** and **Blake Throgmartin**. Several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

Our Jan. 26 dance was canceled due to snow and ice covered roads.

Our own **Phil Moorehouse** joined fellow callers **Nelda Eaton**, with the husband-wife caller team of **Blake and Amanda Throgmartin**, at **The Three Amigos M.E.T. Your Kicks To Dance in 2026**, on Jan. 3. Three squares of dancers had a wonderful time. Several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

The next **Three Amigos Dance** is on Saturday, July 4, 2026, with **The Three Amigos Happy Birthday America -- Nifty At 250 Dance** in Little Rock...we hope to see you there. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

In early March, our own **Phil Moorehouse** will join fellow callers **Jay King** and **Tim Tyl** for the **Spring Fling On Mount Nebo**. See the flyer (along with some site photos) elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** under **Upcoming Events** for more info.

We normally dance on the 2nd and 4th Monday, unless otherwise noted at the White Hall Media Center (Scout Hut), White Hall City Park, 700 Andersen Avenue, with our own **Phil Moorehouse** calling.

Please check our Facebook page at
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/306734347493720> for any updates,
including last minute cancellations for winter weather or other issues.

Kathy Tankersly

Twirling Funtimers

On January 7, **Guest Caller Tim Tyl** called our dance, as he was doing a "pass through" (never mind a trade by) through Arkansas on his way to another special dance. Then, on January 21, we had a dinner/dance with our own **Ken Jarman** calling our "**Soup And Earmuffs Dance**". We ended up canceling on Jan. 28, after the winter storm the weekend of Jan. 23-25, due to all the icy roads.

As noted, we have our **Special Dances** schedule for 2026, and these are noted in the **Special Events Calendar**, as well as below. Many thanks to our own **Loree Kant** for the great work that she does on the special dance flyers. Dates that are not noted are "regular club dances".

This month, we have our **Valentine's Dance** on February 18, with **Guest Caller Roy Hestand**. A flyer for this dance is in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website**. The following week, we'll have a club meeting and dance with our own **Ken Jarman**. In March, as the warmer weather starts to arrive, **Guest Caller Roy Hestand** will call our "**Baby, It's Chili**" **Dinner and Dance** on March 18. It's a good way to spring into the new season...also, wear your green, even though it's after St. Patrick's Day!!

Looking ahead to April, our next special is on "Tax Day", April 15, but **Guest Caller Kenton Sullivan** will tax our fun limits with the "**Festival Of Eight**" **Dinner and Dance**. In May, we'll have "**The Colors Of Spring**" **Dinner and Dance**, with our own **Donna Gellenbeck**. Please note that **Square Dance Attire Is Requested at this special dance**. The following Wednesday, our own **Ken Jarman** will call a regular dance, and we'll have a club meeting.

With summer arriving, June 17, features our "**Wear Your Best Sun Hat**" **Dinner and Dance**, with our own **Ken Jarman**. On July 8, after **America's 250th birthday**, there will be a dinner and dance with our

own **Ken Jarman** calling. The following week, on July 15, our own **Donna Gellenbeck** will call our "**Most Creative Club Colors**" **Dinner And Dance**, with "**summer attire**". Then, we wrap up summer on August 19, with **Guest Caller Jay Wright**, and our "**Polynesian Dreaming Dance**". The following week on August 26, there will be a club meeting, with dancing to our own **Donna Gellenbeck**.

Moving on to the cooler weather of autumn, **Guest Caller Phil Moorehouse** will join us on September 16 for our "**Indian Pow Wow Dance**". Then on October 21st, **Guest Caller Monty Hackler** will join us for a **Halloween Dinner and Dance...square dance attire or Halloween costumes are welcome**.

To round out the year, November will be busy, with a club meeting and our **Hot Chocolate Dance** on November 11. The next Thursday, November 18, our own Donna Gellenbeck will call at our "**I'm Grateful For**" **Dinner And Dance**. Then, December will have our "**Best Christmas Memory Dance**" on December 16, and our final dance for 2026 on December 30, will feature our own Donna Gellenbeck and **Ken Jarman** with our "**New Years Something Old, Something New, Dinner and Dance**".

Note that we will be **DARK** on November 25 for Thanksgiving, and on December 23 for Christmas.

We normally dance on Wednesday from 6:30pm to 8:30pm, at the Lloyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane in Lakeview, with Special Dances on the 3rd Wednesday.

Note that with the winter weather season upon us, we will be **DARK** if area schools are closed due to winter weather.

Please check our Facebook page at
<https://www.facebook.com/twirlingfuntimers> for updates.

Anieta England

Twirling Lariats

Our own **Nelda Eaton** joined fellow callers **Phil Moorehouse** from the **Maverick Mixers**, plus **Blake and Amanda Throgmartin** from

the Levi's And Lace, at **The Three Amigos M.E.T. Your Kicks To Dance in 2026**, at our regular dance place on Saturday, Jan. 3, where 3 squares had a fun time. Several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

The next **Three Amigos Dance** will be on Saturday, July 4, 2026, for **The Three Amigos Happy Birthday America -- Nifty At 250 Dance**. We hope to see you there. See the flyer in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

We had a good crowd at our **Gospel Song Dance** on Jan. 17 with our own **Nelda Eaton**. Several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition. Since we love square dancing, our own **Nelda Eaton** will be calling our **Sweetheart Dance** on Friday, Feb. 6, 2026, at our regular dance place, American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane) in Mabelvale (Little Rock). See the flyer in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

We are still looking at a **June Bug Dance** with **Tim Tyl** on May 30, but it possibly will be a potluck duty square. Many thanks to our own **Carolyn Cullins**, who provided the scrumptious barbecue sauce and items for many years for this dance. While she has "retired" from this task, her work has been greatly appreciated. Further details will be noted as they become available.

We dance at American Legion Post 128, on the 1st, 3rd, and selected 5th Fridays, at 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane) in Mabelvale (southwest Little Rock). We have a Plus Workshop prior to the dance, with our own Nelda Eaton providing a fantastic evening of square and line dancing.

Please check our Facebook page at
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/432398663471503> for any updates.

Roger Garner





Is your club planning on doing **New Dancer Lessons** (square dancing, round dancing, line dancing, clogging, etc.) soon??

If so, please email the class info at least a month before the classes begin, to assdfmodersquare@gmail.com – the info will be at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/new-dancers> on the **ASSDF website**, and in **The Modern Square**.

Info needed is the date, time, location, caller/cuer/instructor, plus a contact person for info. Lessons can be either square dancing, round dancing, line dancing, or clogging.

For links on **how to get youth involved in square dancing**, and for **promotional videos** that can be **customized for your club or organization website**, or for a **New Dancers Manual**, go to <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/resources>

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The Maverick Mixers will begin lessons on Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2026, at American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale (Little Rock), Arkansas. Caller/Instructor: Phil Moorehouse. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website under **New Dancers** for more info.**

ASSDF Club Directory

Note that **USDA Insurance** for clubs is due by December 1 of each year, and **Club ASSDF Membership Dues** is due by January 1 of each year. Please contact the **ASSDF Treasurer** and the **ASSDF Insurance Chairman** for more information.

Clubs that are **DARK** may still be in the **Google Events Calendar** at (<https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/clubs>), but **please call before traveling** to see if they're dancing that evening.

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, or during certain times of the year, for various reasons.

Again, **please call before you travel** to avoid making the trip for nothing. 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 (following this listing), 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).

Conway

Arky Cloggers – Tuesday, 3:30pm to 5pm (Boost Class), 5pm to 6:30pm (Intermediate/Advanced), and Beginner (6:30pm to 8pm)
DANCING

1490 South Donaghey Avenue
Instructor and Contact: Lanita Hammett (501) 889-4679

Fort Smith

River City Squares – Tuesday, 6:30pm **DANCING**
Fort Smith Senior Center, 2700 Cavanaugh Road
Caller: Jay King
Contact: Jay King, 1402 North 12th Street, Van Buren, AR
72956 (479) 883-2380

Hot Springs

Levi's And Lace – 2nd and 4th Friday, 7pm **DANCING**
Lake Hamilton Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 2891 Airport
Road
Callers: Amanda and Blake Throgmartin
Contact: Ted and Phyllis Keeney, 1807 Nubbin Ridge Road,
Royal, AR 71968 (501) 991-3292

Judsonia

Blue Belles And Beaus – 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursday, Dance at 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, 6pm to 8:30pm **DANCING**
Mainstream/Plus, with Round Dance Phases 1, 2, and 3
Lloyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane -- \$7 per person
(Special Dances on 3rd Wednesday)
Callers: Donna Gellenbeck and Ken Jarman
Cuer: Marge Sherrill
Contact: Anieta England (870) 449-5135

Little Rock (Mabelvale)(1)

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

DANCING

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

Caller: Nelda Eaton

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

Little Rock (Mabelvale)(2)

Maverick Mixers – 2nd, 4th, and selected 5th Saturday, 7pm

DANCING

Mainstream with announced Plus

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 (doors open at 6:30pm, dancing from 7pm to 9pm)

DANCING

Sycamore Springs Retirement Center, 165 Jerry Baker Lane

Caller: Roy Hestand

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

Rose Bud

Heber Springer – 2nd and 4th Friday, 7pm **DANCING**

Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

Contact: Theresa Muth (501) 238-2713

White Hall (Pine Bluff)

Star Steppers – 2nd and 4th Monday, 7pm **DANCING**
White Hall Media Center (Scout Hut), White Hall City Park, 700
Andersen Avenue
Caller: Phil Moorehouse
Contact: Kathy Tankersly (870) 718-0571

Bossier City, LA (Shreveport)

Southern Swingers – Tuesday, 7pm (Special Dances 2nd Saturday)
DANCING
Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road
Caller: Joey Duhamel
Contact: Alitia Becker, 8008 Cardigan Way, Shreveport, LA 71129
(318) 547-9478
Contact: Carole Becker (318) 780-3997

New Boston, TX (Texarkana)

Guys And Dolls – 3rd Saturday, 7pm **DANCING**
Plentiful Harvest Church, 500 North Merrill, New Boston, TX
Caller: Nelda Eaton
Contact: Rhonda Bailey, 111 Wood Duck Lane, Texarkana, TX
75501 (903) 276-3422



ASSDF Club Callers And Cuers

Bownderville, Boyce -- (870) 530-2444 -- M/P

Cummings, Patti -- 270 Morrison Street, Ward, AR 72176 (501) 628-1089 ninapcummings@gmail.com

Duhamel, Joey -- 479 Country Farm Road, Baskin, LA 71219
Cell: (870) 209-3646 jdcalls@yahoo.com M/P: Yes
Southern Swingers

Eaton, Nelda -- P.O. Box 1118, New Boston, TX 75570
Cell: (903) 278-8068 EatonSDCaller@gmail.com M/P: Yes
Guys And Dolls, Twirling Lariats

Gellenbeck, Donna -- 139 Dogwood Lane, Lakeview, AR 72642
(870) 620-0037 speedshots@hotmail.com M/P: Yes
Twirling Funtimers

Hammett, Lanita -- 1533 Highway 300, Houston, AR 72070-8307
(501) 889-4679 lnthmmmt13@gmail.com *Arky Cloggers*

Hestand, Roy -- 55 Fletcher Street, Mountain Home, AR 72653
(870) 329-1143 hestandroy@gmail.com M: Yes
Pioneers

Jarman, Ken -- 127 Muscovy Drive, Mountain Home, AR 72653
(870) 404-8480 korcjarman@yahoo.com M
Twirling Funtimers

King, Jay and Jody -- 1402 North 12th Street, Van Buren, AR 72956
(479) 474-8500 jayking@cox.net P/A, Rounds 1-3
River City Squares

Moorehouse, Phil -- 4660 Stagecoach Road, Redfield, AR 72132
(501) 960-4476 philmoorehouse@aol.com P: Yes
Blue Belles And Beaus, Heber Springers, Maverick Mixers, Star Steppers

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

Throgmartin, Blake and Amanda – 153 Walker Court, Hot Springs, AR 71909 -- Blake – (501) 622-9402 squareupwithblake@gmail.com
Amanda – (501) 655-9767 amandacallssquares@gmail.com

Vandergriff, Anita – 8215 Tyro Road, Hackett, AR 72937
(479) 274-9775 anitav@centurytel.net

White, Gordon and Susan – 6 Perfecto Place, Hot Springs Village, AR 71913 (501) 822-0803 white3297@hotmail.com P

Wise, Ron – 4800 Highway 104, White Hall, AR 71602
(870) 267-0702 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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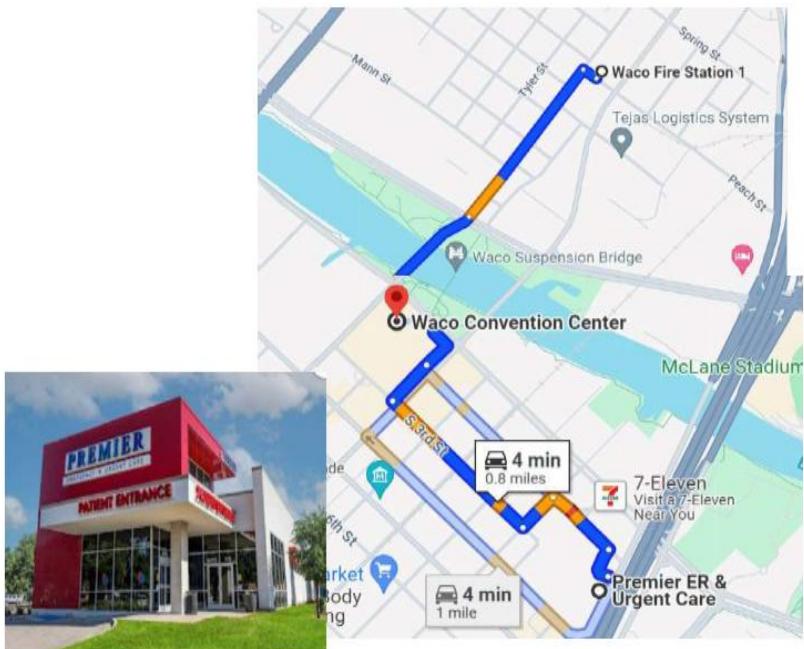
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5. **Registration fees:** Adult \$80; Youth ages 5-17 by 6/27/2026 - \$30.00
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7. Persons 3-5 circle Adult or Youth. ***Only need Birthday of Youth****
8. Registrations are non-transferable.
9. **One, Two, or Three-Day Registrations.**
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Magnet for Badge (pins provided free)

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Round Dance Syllabus - □ USB Drive

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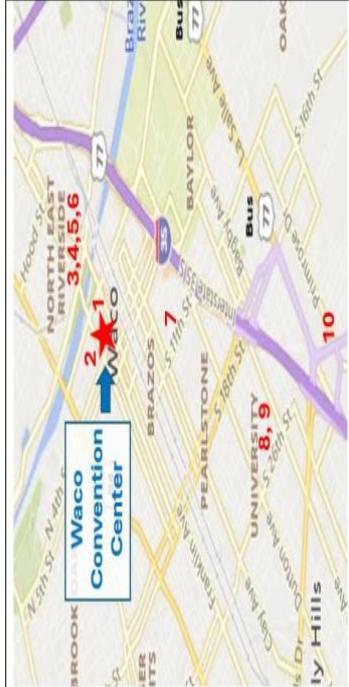
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Questions may be directed to:
register.75nsdctx@gmail.com
75nsdchousing@gmail.com

You must be registered for the convention with a registration number to receive the convention rate. No self or online registration is available for the contracted rate except through the weblink, which will be provided by the convention Housing Vice-Chairman. 75nsdchousing@gmail.com

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Convention Hotels

The 75th National Square Dance Convention offers a set of diverse hotel experiences during your stay in Waco. Parking is also free around the convention center.

Hotel	Waco CC Distance	Rate	Reservation Deadline	Free Amenities			
				Breakfast	Parking	Wi-Fi	Laundry
Hilton Waco (Host Hotel) 113 S University Parks Dr	Connected to Waco CC	\$174/night	5/29/2026	✓	✓	✓	
SOLD OUT							
Courtyard (Dance Leader Hotel) 101 Washington Ave	Across the street from Waco CC	\$164/night	5/29/2026	✓	✓	✓	
Cambria Hotel 110 S MLK Jr Blvd	6-8 min walk	\$172/night	6/9/2026		✓	✓	
Even Hotel 110 S MLK Jr Blvd	6-8 min walk	\$164/night	6/9/2026		✓	✓	✓
Holiday Inn Express 101 Taylor St	6-8 min walk	\$149/night	6/9/2026	✓	✓	✓	
SOLD OUT							
Spring Hill Suites 115 S Jack Kultgen Expressway	2 min drive	\$147/night	6/3/2026	✓	✓	✓	✓
Aloft Waco 900 S 11th St	5 min drive	\$159/night	6/9/2026	✓	✓	✓	
La Quinta 911 S 10th Street	5 min drive	\$159/night	6/9/2026	✓	✓	✓	
SOLD OUT							
Element Hotel 2200 Robinson Dr	7 min drive	\$154/night	6/9/2026	✓	✓	✓	
Home2Suites 2500 Bagby Ave	7 min drive	\$174/night	6/3/2026	✓	✓	✓	

What to Expect Next?

- Once in the Housing Booking Portal, you will have the ability to book your room at any of the convention hotels based on room availability. Reservation confirmations will be sent to the email address used to make the reservation.

Questions?

Please reach out to Phil Henderson, Housing Vice-Chair at 75nsdchousing@gmail.com

Pet-Friendly Hotels

Can my pet stay in my hotel during the convention?

The short answer is **YES!** All but two of our hotels allow pets!
See below for details:

Hotel	CC Distance	Accept Pets?	Pet Fee	Additional Info
Hilton Waco (Host Hotel)	Connected to Waco CC	No	N/A	No pets are allowed except for service animals.
Courtyard (Dance Leader Hotel)	Across the street from Waco CC	Yes	SOLD OUT	Please let the front desk know at check-in.
Cambria Hotel	6-8 min walk	No	N/A	No pets are allowed except for service animals
Even Hotel	6-8 min walk	Yes	\$150 deposit	\$75 of the deposit is refundable.
Holiday Inn Express	6-8 min walk	Yes	\$75 deposit	Dogs and cats only; deposit is non-refundable
Spring Hill Suites	2 min drive	Yes	\$100 deposit	Deposit is non-refundable; dogs only (2 max up to 40 lbs.)
Aloft Waco	5 min drive	Yes	\$0	2 pets max up to 40 lbs.
La Quinta	5 min drive	Yes	SOLD OUT	Maximum amount of \$75 during entire stay.
Element Hotel	7 min drive	Yes	\$50/day	Maximum amount of \$150 during entire stay.
Home2Suites	7 min drive	Yes	\$75 deposit	Deposit if non-refundable

Questions?

Please reach out to Phil Henderson, Housing Vice-Chair at 75nsdchousing@gmail.com



Enjoy having your furry companion with you at your hotel!

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Camping/RV



See photos next page

It's time to finalize your camping reservations! We have negotiated discounted rates with two Waco-area campgrounds. You will need to make a reservation directly with the campground of choice, request the **"Square Dance Convention"** discount and pay directly to the campground.

These are the campgrounds offering the Square Dance Discount:

Waco Creekside Resort: Offers 15% discount. The campground is about 11 miles from the Waco Convention Center. Offering campsites, cabins and tree houses.

1972 Leroy Parkway
Elm Mott, TX 76640
(254) 651-3999
wacocreeksideresort.com

Magnolia RV Resort offers you 10% off your stay. There's a pool in addition to a complimentary breakfast on Saturday and Sunday. The campground is about 8 miles from the Waco Convention Center.

3096 New Dallas Hwy.
Waco, TX 76705 / (254) 799-3105
magnoliarvresort.com

Please note that camping fees will not be collected through the 75NSDC Hotel Booking Portal, all fees are paid directly to the campground.

Camping/RV



Magnolia RV Resort is offering convention-goers a 10% discount. 42 full hookup sites. Pull-through sites only. Please see previous page for details. Magnolia RV Resort is pet-friendly, has a swimming pool and has a pancake breakfast on weekends. More details on previous page.

Waco Creekside Resort is offering convention-goers a 15% discount. The park has 50 RV full hookup sites. There are cool tree houses (right) and cabins for rent. Pet-friendly campground. Please see previous page for details.



75th NSDC Launches Hotel Booking Portal and Tour Info for 2026 Convention



Get ready to celebrate the **75th National Square Dance Convention®** in **Waco, TX, June 24–27, 2026** - a Diamond Jubilee event honoring both the convention's founding in 1952 and America's 250th birthday! Expect exciting festivities including an explosive opening ceremony, a patriotic Friday celebration, and the "Sights and Sounds of Texas" fashion show, plus dancing every day.

To streamline planning, the NSDC has introduced a **new Hotel Booking Portal**, that just launched **July 19**. To access it, complete the **Registration Long Form** to receive your registration number. This number is required to book discounted hotel rooms (\$147–\$174/night) at one of 10 official hotels. You'll receive a confirmation email with portal access and instructions. For questions, contact 75nsdchousing@gmail.com or call Housing Vice Chair Phil Henderson at (832) 541-3002.

Campers can book directly with:

- **Waco Creekside RV Resort** – 15% off cabins, RV spots, and treehouses: wacocreeksideresort.com | (254) 651-3999,
- **Camp FIMFO** – \$55/night: campfimfo.com/waco | (254) 651-3697.

Explore Waco with **self-guided tours** to local attractions like the Magnolia Silos, Dr. Pepper Museum, and Texas Ranger Hall of Fame. A sightseeing guide and transportation information will be provided.

For more adventure, choose from **15 guided tours** via Viator, including:

- Fixer Upper/City Tour,
- Waco Foodie & Wine Tours,
- Brazos River Cruises,
- Ghost Tours & Scavenger Hunts.

Book tours at 75nsdctx.com/tours.

Stay updated at 75nsdctx.com and follow on Facebook: 75th Nationals 2026 or scan the QR Code.

Learn more about Waco at destinationwaco.org.



Your First National Convention?

Welcome to the wonderful world of the 75th National Square Dance Convention® in Waco, Texas June 24-27, 2026. This guide is designed to help you as a new square dancer or new National Convention goer to navigate your first convention and make it an unforgettable experience. Get ready for a whirlwind of do-si-dos, promenades, and making new friends! *But remember the National Convention is more than a dance!*

- Don't be afraid to dance! Jump in and join the dances. Even if you make a mistake, it's okay we've all made a mistake! Everyone is there to have a good time.
- Attend workshops, which are a great way to learn new moves, improve your technique, and expand your square dance knowledge. Look for beginner-friendly sessions.
- Introduce yourself. Square dancing is all about community. Introduce yourself to other dancers, callers, and cuers. Ask where they're from and what they enjoy about square dancing.
- Take breaks, stay hydrated, and get enough rest. There's no need to do everything in one day!
- Meet new people and build connections. Conventions are fantastic opportunities to meet square dancers from all over the country (and even the world!). Here are some ways to spark conversations and



build lasting friendships:

- Complement their attire: A simple compliment on someone's skirt or shirt can be a great icebreaker.
- Ask about their dancing experience: "How long have you been square dancing?" or "What's your favorite call?" are easy conversation starters.
- Share Your Own Story: Talk about how you got into square dancing and what you enjoy about it.

More next month!

Square Dance Etiquette

10 tips for a great time:

Arrive on time. Being punctual helps you catch the first tip and keeps the dance floor flowing smoothly.

Dress for the occasion. Choose comfortable shoes and clothing you can move in. Traditional square dance attire is often encouraged, but neat, casual wear is always welcome.

Practice good hygiene. Dancing means close contact—fresh breath, clean hands, and fragrance-free choices make it pleasant for everyone.

Be warm and welcoming. Smile, make eye contact, and greet fellow dancers with kindness. A friendly floor is a happy floor.

Tune in to the caller. Listen closely and follow cues promptly. Avoid chatting during calls so everyone can hear clearly.

Hold your place. Stay in your square and maintain formation. If you get turned around, rejoin smoothly without disrupting others.

Encourage newcomers. Support beginners with patience and positivity. A little kindness goes a long way.

Dance gently. Use soft handholds and smooth movements. Square dancing is about cooperation, not competition.

Show appreciation. At the end of each



tip, thank your partner, the square and the caller. Gratitude is part of the tradition.

Enjoy yourself! Square dancing celebrates rhythm, community, and joy. Relax, laugh, and let the music move you.



WANTED

**Any club or individual who has
experience making square
dance floats or has been in a
parade as a square dancer**

The 75th NSDC Education Committee has had multiple requests for a class on making parade floats and on parade participation. If your club or anyone in it is interested in sharing your knowledge with others, please contact Sally Schmidt at sbennettschmidt@gmail.com



WE WANT YOU!



75th National Square Dance Convention®

EDUCATION PROGRAM

June 24-27, 2026

Waco Convention Center, Texas

Visit Our Website to Register and for Convention Details: www.75nsdctx.com

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!

The 75th National Square Dance Convention® Education Program needs you!

Volunteers are an essential part of a successful education program. Take a break from dancing for an hour or two and consider helping out in one of these areas.



We Want YOU!

ROOM HOSTS: Education and Sewing Classes (Hilton 3 Rivers Ballroom and Brazos Rooms)

- Job Description: Introduce the presenter (from bio provided), count attendees, distribute and collect session evaluation forms, initial Leadership Certification Program participation forms.
- Time Commitment: One to two hours on Thursday or Friday between 10 AM and 4 PM, or Saturday between 10 AM and 2 PM.

EDUCATION CHECK-IN DESK (Hall outside Brazos Rooms A&C in the Hilton)

- Job Description: Assist with duties such as passing out presenter and room host packets, printing and collating handouts, answering questions about schedules and room locations.
- Time Commitment: One to two hours on Thursday between 9:30 AM and 5 PM, Friday between 9:30 AM and 5 PM, or Saturday between 9:30 AM and 2 PM.

NEC ARCHIVES ROOM (Lone Star Room 105 in Convention Center)

- Job Description: Tally visitors, respond to questions about the displays (using provided FAQs).
- Time Commitment: One to two hours on Thursday or Friday between 10 AM and 5 PM or 7 PM and 9 PM; or Saturday between 10 AM and 3 PM.

DATA ENTRY (Brazos Room B in the Hilton)

- Job Description: Enter data and statistics from Education Sessions into an Excel Spreadsheet (such as number of session attendees and results from session evaluation forms).
- Time Commitment: One to two hours on Thursday or Friday between 12 PM and 5 PM, or Saturday between 10 AM and 3 PM.

YES, I would love to help with the 75th NSDC Education Program!

Name _____ Cell Phone _____

E-mail _____

Check the box above next to each area in which you would be willing to volunteer.

Time(s) Available: Thursday morning Thursday afternoon Thursday evening
 Friday morning Friday afternoon Friday evening Saturday morning Saturday afternoon

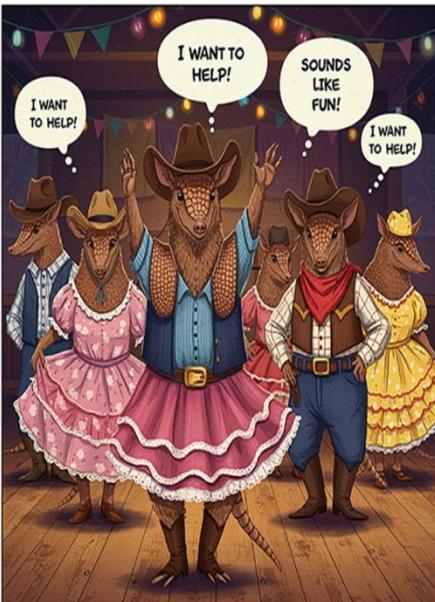
Return this form to Everett Kelly, Assistant Education Chairman

E-mail to ekelly1948@yahoo.com

The Many Benefits of Volunteering for the NSDC's Education Committee

Come be part of the Education Team for the 75th National Square Dance Convention® in Waco, TX, and volunteer for any position that sounds interesting to you! As a volunteer for the Education Committee, you will:

1. Receive a volunteer ribbon that will let everyone know you are volunteering at the Convention.
2. Receive a copy of the Education and Dance schedules as soon as they are finalized (and before they are published).
– This will allow you to decide what times you are available to volunteer and allow you to sign up for your volunteer slots before convention starts.
3. Receive an individual volunteer orientation when you pick up your volunteer ribbon at the Education check-in desk.
4. Receive a copy of your volunteer schedule (just like the presenters get) if you have signed up for your volunteer slots before convention starts.
5. Receive a “Thank You” gift from the Education Committee.
6. Receive recognition as a volunteer by having your photos on a “volunteer appreciation wall” near the Education Check-In desk. Your name and/or picture may also be listed on Facebook, the e-Magazine or Website as a member of the “Education Committee’s Volunteer Team.”
7. Be able to start and finish the Leadership Certification Program by serving as a Room Host.
8. Be included in Education Committee Zoom meetings if you are interested.



Please contact Everett Kelly, Assistant Education Chairman, at ekelly1948@yahoo.com, if you are interested in being a volunteer for the Education Committee. Make sure to join us on Facebook for the latest news and events.

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Register today online at <https://75nsdctx.com/register/>

You can also scan the adjacent QR Code



**Please Join the 75th National Square Dance Convention®
for this Important Educational Roundtable Event**

From Vision to Reality: Success Stories and Strategies for Implementing Change

Change doesn't happen on paper — it happens in clubs, on the dance floor, and in the community. This roundtable brings together callers and leaders who are already putting the TIPPP Framework into action. Hear real-life success stories from clubs that have made change happen in their local areas and learn practical steps you can take to guide your own dancers and organizations. From navigating the simplified 50-call entry program to using the new teaching order and playbook, panelists will share strategies for building buy-in and helping your dancers thrive. Whether you're leading a small club or part of a large organization, this session offers tools and inspiration to help you carry the Diamond Jubilee spirit forward into a bright future.

Moderators: Ted Lizotte & Teresa Berger, CALLERLAB

TED LIZOTTE

Ted Lizotte is Chairman of the Board for CALLERLAB and has been featured at numerous conventions, festivals and dances both nationally and internationally. Ted learned to square dance in 1988 and began calling the same year. He began teaching classes in the 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.

From Manchester, NH, 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.



TERESA BERGER

Teresa Berger grew up in the square dance activity and started calling in 2010. She calls and teaches square dancing through Plus, cues Rounds through Phase III, teaches Line Dances, and records for Rhythm Records. Teresa is a member of CALLERLAB and a life member of the Indiana Dancers Association (IDA). Teresa currently serves as the Executive Director of CALLERLAB, the International Association of Square Dance Callers, and also as the Executive Secretary for the CALLERLAB Foundation for the Preservation and Promotion of Square Dancing.



Attend the Keynote Address by Ted Lizotte at 9 a.m. entitled "It's Been 75 Years: Why Change Now?"
As the NSDC celebrates its Diamond Jubilee, be inspired and energized as we look ahead to the future of our activity. This keynote sets the stage by exploring the motivations behind the Transitional Implementation Phase of the Program Policy currently in progress at CALLERLAB, and what it means for dancers, callers, and clubs.

Thursday, June 25 • 10 a.m. • Waco Convention Center, TX

From Vision to Reality: Success Stories and Strategies for Implementing Change

Introducing the Educational Roundtable Panelists...

JEREMY BUTLER



Jeremy and his wife Jamie live in Virginia Beach, VA. He started calling in 1996. He is the club caller for the Capitol Squares (A2/C1) in Richmond, VA, and The Square Edges (Plus) in Newport News, VA. Jeremy is also a traveling caller and calls for festivals and dances in many places around the country.

He is the current Advanced Program Committee Vice-Chairman, Applications Review Committee Chairman, a member of the Board of Governors in CALLERLAB, and is the Membership Committee Chair for the Virginia State Callers Association.

Jeremy has recorded for both Crown Records and Royal Records and calls the SSD program through C1.

MIKE SEASTROM



Mike Seastrom has been dancing since 1960 and calling since 1963. He lost a bet to his mother who insisted he try square dancing at least three times. The third time he was hooked. He taught his first class in 1963 after borrowing money from his parents to buy a small sound system. He was able to pay them back before the class was over and he's been calling ever since.

He calls and teaches Basic through C-1 programs, prompts Contras, teaches Line Dances, and enjoys dance party events when his schedule allows. Mike currently teaches for the Buckles & Bows Square Dance Club in Thousand Oaks, CA, and teaches the Social Square Dance program, which enables him to teach two classes a year plus a Summertime Funshop of SSD calls.

Calling has given Mike the opportunity to travel extensively in the United States, Canada, Sweden, Denmark, Norway, Germany, Costa Rica, New Zealand, Australia, and Japan. He said he feels "dancing as a team of eight" is the best recreation in the world. As a recently retired dentist, calling has been an avocation quite different from his "Dr. Mike" side. He added, thankfully, his wonderful wife Lisa, family, and staff have been tremendous support.

SHAWN BROWN



Shawn Brown was introduced to square dancing in 2009 and began calling less than a year later at age 14. In 2011, he called his first National Square Dance Convention® in Detroit, MI. In 2012, he became a recording artist for Gold Rush Records, becoming one of the youngest recording artists of the time. Today, he is a co-producer for Gold Rush Records, along with his father, Scott Brown.

Shawn works as a local and regional traveling caller, also traveling nationally, calling SSD through A2. He has called in 25 states, and in 2017 he called his first festival as a featured caller in Biloxi, MS, with Lisa Minton and Scott Brown. In 2023, he was blessed with the opportunity to work as a caller coach during the Grand Square International (GSI) Caller School in Mobile, AL.

Shawn joined CALLERLAB in 2011. He has been a presenter on several panels at CALLERLAB and NSDC conventions. He currently serves on the Caller Training, Mainstream, Marketing, and Music Producers committees.

At home, he calls and teaches for Gold Rush Outlaws, Dip N' Dive and Square One (Shawn co-founded Square One in January of 2024 with Matt Williams and Lori Ritchey), while dedicating most of his time to the promotion and preservation of square dancing.

Add the Educational Roundtable and Keynote Address to Your Must-Do List of Events at the NSDC!

Thursday, June 25 • 10 a.m. • Waco Convention Center, TX

Are You a Caller?

If So, We Have Classes for You!

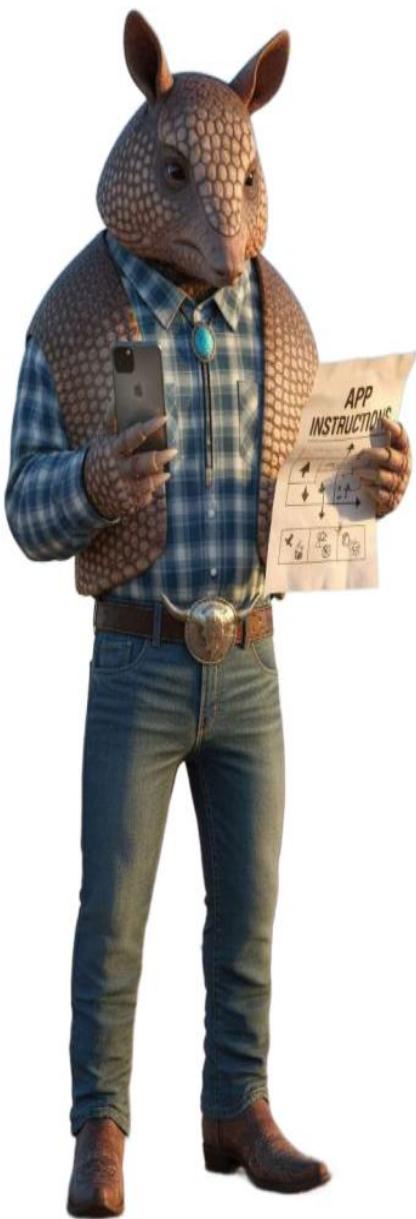
Caller classes are for prospective callers, new callers, experienced callers, and anyone interested in the things that callers learn in order to make our sport fun. All of these classes are taught by very experienced members of CALLERLAB. The eight classes that are being offered include:

- Theme Tips: teaching tips, workshop, and extended applications for enjoyable dancing
- How to Use Music to Better Sell Your Dance
- The Mechanics of Great Teaching: how to be an effective leader
- Basic Sight Calling: moving dancers from point A to point B with purpose
- How to Be an Effective Club Caller
- So You Want to Be a Caller
- Dancers: Smoothness, Styling, and Etiquette
- Modular Calling – your new best friend

These classes will be described in greater detail in upcoming e-Magazine issues. For those participating in the Leadership Certification Program, all these classes will be considered Electives.



There's an App for That



This year at the 75th NSDC in Waco, everyone registered for the National Square Dance Convention will have free access to the Convention App, and the Education Committee wants to make sure you know how to use it.

Written instructions will be coming out in April or May in the e-Magazine, on the 75th NSDC Facebook page, and on our website. The application is expected to go live in May and we encourage folks to use the written instructions to practice looking at what is being offered at the convention. There will also be a class on the convention app at the convention, so stay tuned.

Getting to the 75th National Square Dance Convention®

Where is Waco? The NSDC's convention city for its Diamond Jubilee is in Central Texas, right along the Brazos River and off Interstate 35. Waco is located halfway between Dallas and Austin. No matter your mode of travel, it's easy to get to Waco!

BY CAR

I-35 runs right through Waco, making it easy to access from major cities like Dallas, Austin and San Antonio.

BY AIR

Waco Regional Airport (ACT) is serviced by American Eagle with flights to/from Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW). Nearby airports are DFW, Dallas Love Field (DAL), Austin-Bergstrom (AUS), and Killeen-Fort Hood (GRK). They all offer connections to Waco via shuttle or rental car. For information on ACT go to <https://www.waco-texas.com/Departments/Airport>. IMPORTANT NOTICE: Rental car availability may be limited as the 2026 FIFA World Cup will be taking place in Dallas during our convention. Make your air and rental reservations early!



BY BUS

Greyhound (www.greyhound.com) serves Waco with intercity routes from across the U.S. The Waco Charter Bus Co., offers group travel options (<https://www.nationalbuscharter.com/-waco-charter-bus>).

BY SHUTTLE

Waco Streak and GoGOWaco provide luxury shuttle service from DFW and Dallas Love Field. Airport Transportation of Waco offers hotel and airport transfers. For details: visit <https://www.waco-streak.com>, <https://www.gogowaco.com>, and <https://airporttransportationofwaco.com/index.html>.

LOCAL OPTIONS ONCE YOU'RE HERE

The Waco Transit System has fixed-route buses. Options include the Baylor University shuttle and MicroDash. You can download the new Waco Transit System App to book and manage rides at: <https://www.waco-texas.com/Departments/Transit-System>.

RIDEShare AND TAXIS

Uber and Lyft operate throughout Waco and nearby cities. Traditional taxis are available in downtown Waco and at the airport. For information go to:

<https://www.uber.com/global/en/r/cities/waco-tx-us/> and
<https://www.lyft.com/rider/cities/waco-killeen-tx>.



Scan the QR Code to follow the 75th NSDC on Facebook,
Register for the NSDC's Diamond Jubilee at <https://75nsdctx.com>.

Square 'Em Up

Get your dance on
at the 75th National Square
Dance Convention®



What types of dancing can I enjoy at the 75th NSDC?

- Square Dance: Mainstream, Plus, Advanced, Challenge, Specialty
- Round, Contra, Line, Clogging, Youth & Specialty Dance

Watch National Squares e-Magazine, Facebook and our website for dance information for the 75th NSDC



Don't miss the fun! Sign up at
<https://75nsdctx.com/register/>

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Find your pot of gold at the 75th National Square Dance Convention®!

- Dance Workshops
- Education Classes
- Dancing Morning 'Til Night
- Dance to Live Music
- Great After Parties
- Enjoy Top Dance Leaders
- The Malpass Brothers Show
- Exciting Fashion Show
- Sew and Save Projects
- Celebrate America's Birthday & the NSDC's Diamond Jubilee
- Spectacular Opening & Closing Ceremonies
- Enjoy Fabulous Tours & Food of Waco
- Catch Up with Old Friends & Make Some New Ones



Fill your pot of gold with all this & more at the 75th NSDC

June 24-27, 2026 in the Waco Convention Center!

Sign up today at <https://75nsdctx.com/long-form-registration/>

What's to about the venue for the 75th National Square Dance Convention®?



Waco Convention Center *100 Washington Ave, Waco, TX 76701*

- Location: Close to Waco hotels, restaurants & attractions
- Compact: Convention center is easy to maneuver & laid out for convenience
- Accessibility: With only two levels there are plenty of elevators & escalators, ADA approved ramps, lifts & restrooms, mobility scooters available for rent
- Design: Plenty of natural light & convention restrooms
- Water: Built-in water bottle filling stations in hallways
- Parking: 900 free parking spaces, additional spaces in easy walking distance
- Concessions & Vendors: There will be plenty of concessions, vending food, & a great variety of vendors tailored to dancers & callers
- Dance Floors: Flooring includes bamboo wood, polished concrete, commercial vinyl, modular wood over carpet, & new modular plastic flooring over carpet
- Education & Archives: Education sessions & archives in attached hotel meeting rooms for a conducive learning atmosphere

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Need Information?

We're going to Texas y'all! Information is easy to find and we have several options!

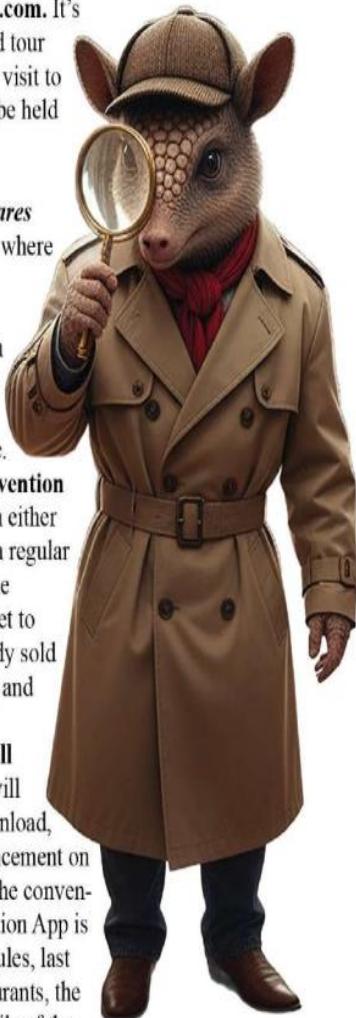
1. Visit the convention website at www.75nsdctx.com. It's full of forms, links, special events, hotel details and tour information... all the details you need to plan your visit to the 75th NSDC at the Waco Convention Center to be held June 24-27, 2026.

2. Follow us on Facebook for news and events.

3. Subscribe to (it's free) and read *National Squares e-Magazine*. Each edition contains the who, what, where and when of the 75th NSDC. To subscribe, go to <https://nsdcnec.com/national-squares-e-magazine/> and scroll down to enter your name and email, then hit send. You will be notified each month when the latest edition is released. You can click on the edition's icon to download a copy from the website.

4. Sign up for the NSDC's Diamond Jubilee convention in Waco at www.75nsdctx.com/register/. You can either download a form to complete and email or send via regular mail, or to make it even easier you can complete the online form directly within the website. Don't forget to make your hotel reservation, some hotels are already sold out, but there are still plenty of options for lodging and even camping.

5. This year at the 75th NSDC, all registrants will have access to a free Convention App. The app will be released in May prior to the convention for download, watch Facebook and the e-Magazine for an announcement on its availability. A class will also be offered during the convention on how to use the app, if needed. The Convention App is a handy tool and will have all the up-to-date schedules, last minute schedule changes, event information, restaurants, the sights of Waco, safety information, and all the details of the 75th NSDC. Join our mascot, Armie the Armadillo, in the Waco Convention Center!



The team of the 75th NSDC looks forward to your attendance at the spectacular Diamond Jubilee. It's an event not to be missed!

Fun Youth Activities

Dear Parents,

As we gear up for the 75th National Square Dance Convention®, we want to extend a warm welcome to all the families joining us in celebrating this milestone event! While we will not have a dedicated youth room this year, we want to assure you that there will be plenty of fun, engaging and age-appropriate activities planned specifically for our teenage dancers.

Our goal is to make this convention a memorable experience for dancers of all ages. Here's a glimpse of what your youth can look forward to:

- **Youth-focused dance sessions:** Specially scheduled square and round dance sessions tailored for youth, with energetic callers and cuers who know how to keep the floor lively and fun.
- **Workshops and skill-building:** Opportunities for youth to improve their dancing skills, learn new moves, and even try out calling in a supportive environment.
- **Games and icebreakers:** Between dance sessions, we'll have organized games and social activities to help youth connect, make friends and have fun.
- **Youth parade and performances:** A chance for youth to shine! Whether it's participating in a themed parade or showcasing their talents, there will be moments to celebrate their energy and creativity.
- **Mentorship and community:** Older youth and young adult dancers will be on hand to help guide and support younger participants, creating a welcoming and inclusive atmosphere.

By bringing your youth to the convention, you're giving them the chance to build lifelong friendships, gain confidence and leadership skills, and be part of a vibrant, intergenerational tradition.

We're committed to making this a safe, joyful, and enriching experience for all our young dancers. So, pack those dancing shoes and get ready for an unforgettable time at the 75th National Square Dance Convention®!





Waco Downtown Dining Guide

1424 Bistro

1424 Washington Ave, Waco, TX 76701

Alpha Omega Grill & Bakery

929 Franklin Ave, Waco, TX 76701

Bangkok Royale

215 S University Parks Dr, Waco, TX 76701

Barnett's Whiskey House & Restaurant

420 Franklin Ave, Waco, TX 76701

Bertie's on the Rooftop at Hotel 1928

701 Washington Ave, Waco, TX 76701

Billy Bob's Burgers

500 S 2nd St Suite 102, Waco, TX 76701

Brazos Bar & Bistro at Hotel Indigo

211 Clay Ave, Waco, TX 76706

Brazos Grille at the Hilton

1115 S University Parks Dr, Waco, TX 76701

The Brazos Landing

1001 35 N Frontage Rd, Waco, TX 76704

Cafe Cappuccino

100 N 6th St #101, Waco, TX 76701

Cajun Craft

601 S 11th St, Waco, TX 76706

Casa Do Brasil

1001 Webster Ave, Waco, TX 76706

Cho Community

1001 Franklin Ave, Waco, TX 76701

Clay Pot Restaurant

416 Franklin Ave, Waco, TX 76701

Cricket's Draft House & Grill

211 Mary Ave, Waco, TX 76701

D's Mediterranean

1503 Colcord Ave, Waco, TX 76707

DiamondBack's

217 Mary Ave, Waco, TX 76701

George's Restaurant & Bar

1925 Speight Ave, Waco, TX 76706

Harvest on 25th

112 N 25th St, Waco, TX 76710

Health Camp

2601 Circle Rd, Waco, TX 76706

Hecho En Waco Mexican Cuisine

500 S 6th St b, Waco, TX 76701

Jake's Texas Tea House

615 Austin Ave, Waco, TX 76701

Jasper's BBQ

105 Clifton St, Waco, TX 76704

Jorge's Cantina

4225 Franklin Ave, Waco, TX 76710

J-Petal & Poké Waco

315 S Univ. Parks Dr #120, Waco, TX 76701

Kim's Diner

2600 W Waco Dr, Waco, TX 76710

Kitok Restaurant

1815 N 18th St, Waco, TX 76707

La Fiesta

5815 Franklin Ave, Waco, TX 76710

Magnolia Table

2132 S Valley Mills Dr, Waco, TX 76706

Maria Mezcaleria

724 Austin Ave Ste 102, Waco, TX 76701

Milo All Day

1020 Franklin Ave, Waco, TX 76701

Ninfa's

220 S 3rd St, Waco, TX 76701

Opal's Oysters

228 S 8th St Suite B, Waco, TX 76701

Pignetti's

401 S 3rd St, Waco, TX 76706

Pivovar Brewery & Restaurant

320 S 8th St, Waco, TX 76701

Portofino's Italian Restaurant

725 Austin Ave, Waco, TX 76701

Red Herring at Hotel Herringbone

319 S 4th St, Waco, TX 76701

Revival East Side Eatery

704 Elm Ave, Waco, TX 76704

Sagrado Cocina and Bar

215 S Univ. Parks Dr Ste. 107, Waco, TX 76701

Sassee's Southern Style Eatery

719 S 11th St, Waco, TX 76706

Segovia Wine Bar + Tapas

300 S 6th St Suite F, Waco, TX 76701

Schmolz's Sandwich Shoppe

105 S 5th St #2102, Waco, TX 76701

Shorty's Pizza Shack

1712 S 12th St, Waco, TX 76706

Slow Rise on the Brazos

1620 N M.L.K. Jr Blvd, Waco, TX 76704

Southern Roots Brewery

219 N 8th St, Waco, TX 76701

Street Dog Cafe

406 Elm Ave, Waco, TX 76704

Teriyaki Park

220 S 2nd St, Waco, TX 76701

Terry Black's BBQ - Waco

228 S 8th St, Waco, TX 76701

The BLVD Steakhouse at Cambria Hotel

110 S M.L.K. Jr Blvd, Bldg A, Waco, TX 76704

The Brasserie at Hotel 1928

701 Washington Ave, Waco, TX 76701

The Olive Branch

215 S 2nd St, Waco, TX 76701

Tony DeMaria's Bar-B-Que

1000 Elm Ave, Waco, TX 76704

Tru Jameica

937 Taylor St, Waco, TX 76704

Twisted Root Burger Co.

801 S 2nd St, Waco, TX 76706

Union Hall - Food Hall

720 Franklin Ave, Waco, TX 76701

Vitek's

1600 Speight Ave, Waco, TX 76706

Specialty Restaurants

IT'S WACO Y'ALL!

Gluten Free, Vegan, and Vegetarian Eateries

Waco has a number of eateries which feature menu options.

ALPHA OMEGA GRILL & bakery

- Veggie and vegan gyros and appetizers.
- 929 Franklin Avenue

BAKED BLISS

- Wide range of gluten-free options, from bacon-cheddar scones to blueberry muffins to shortbread.
- 1114 North 15th Street

BANGKOK ROYAL

- A literal ton of veggie and vegan Thai options on the menu.
- 215 South University Parks Drive
- THE BLASIAN ASIAN
- Order tofu as your protein for veggie/vegan option
- 720 Franklin (Union Hall)

CAFE CAPPUCCINO

- 100 North 6th Street / 903 Hewitt Drive / 1101 Richland Drive

CHEDDAR BOX

- 601 Webster Avenue

CLAY POT

- 416 Franklin Avenue

CURRY UP & WOK THIS WAY

- Features two vegan curry options and a vegetable stir fry!
- 720 Franklin Avenue (Union Hall)

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IT'S WACO Y'ALL!

Gluten Free, Vegan, and Vegetarian Eateries



D'S MEDITERRANEAN GRILL

- Vegetarian and vegan options.
- 1503 Colcord Avenue

FREEBIRDS WORLD BURRITO

- Featuring veggie protein and Beyond Meat protein.
- 120 North New Road

GEORGES RESTAURANT

- 1925 Speight Avenue / 1201 Hewitt Drive

HAT CREEK BURGER COMPANY

- All sides, from french fries to fried pickles, are gluten-free. GF bun available.
- 103 Archway Drive (off of Highway 84 in Woodway)

HARVEST ON 25TH

- Variety of vegan, vegetarian, and gluten-free options.
- 112 North 25th Street

J-PETAL

- All their crepes are gluten-free.
- 315 South University Parks Drive, Ste 120

MOD PIZZA

- Offering loads of vegetarian options for pizza, as well as a "gluten-friendly" crust, made on the same serving line as gluten-unfriendly crusts.
- 1015 S North (I know) Jack Kultgen Expressway

OLIVE BRANCH CAFE

- 215 South 2nd Street

POPPA ROLLO'S PIZZA

- Gluten-free crusts (that don't taste like gluten-free crusts).
- 703 North Valley Mills Drive / 1201 Hewitt Drive #214

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IT'S WACO Y'ALL!

Gluten Free, Vegan, and Vegetarian Eateries

SAFFRON

- Plenty of vegan and vegetarian options!
- 2305 Marketplace Drive

SLOW RISE SLICE HOUSE

- Vegan Cheese and Gluten-Free / Cauliflower Crusts available.
- 7608 Woodway Drive

TERIYAKI PARK

- 220 South 2nd Street

TERRY & JO'S FOOD FOR THOUGHT

- Waco natural groceries? Whether you like sandwiches or burritos, Terry & Jo's the place for vegan and gluten-free whether for something in-store or to-go.
- 1121 Speight Avenue

TOM'S BURGERS

- Offers gluten-free buns
- 6818 Sanger Avenue

TORCHY'S TACOS

- 801 South 5th Street

TWISTED ROOT BURGER COMPANY

- Veggie and Vegan Burger options
- 801 South 2nd Street

VITEK'S

- It's not really vegan, or vegetarian, but gluten-free some options.
- 1600 Speight Avenue



<https://www.wacowise.com/veggievggf>

Celebrating our Vendors

As we prepare to gather in Waco, Texas, for the 75th National Square Dance Convention® from June 24–27, 2026, there's a special group of people we want to shine a spotlight on—our incredible vendors.

These dedicated individuals and businesses are more than just merchants. They are the heartbeat of the convention experience, bringing color, creativity, and craftsmanship to every participant. From dazzling dancewear and handcrafted accessories to innovative tools and treasured keepsakes, each vendor brings something unique that enhances our shared love of square dancing.

Their booths are places of discovery—where you can find the perfect twirl-worthy skirt, a new pair of boots that feel just right, or a conversation that turns into a lifelong connection. Many of these vendors travel great distances, invest countless hours, and pour their passion into every product and interaction. They help preserve the traditions we cherish while also introducing fresh ideas that keep our community vibrant and growing.

We invite you to take a moment to



If you know a vendor who might like to be part of the Waco convention, please refer them to Bruce and Wanda Carter at wcdrip@gmail.com.

get to know them. Please visit <https://75nsdctx.com/vendors/> to watch short videos showcasing each vendor's specialties. You'll hear their stories, see their work, and understand why they're such an essential part of this historic celebration.

Let's show our appreciation by supporting them, sharing their stories, and stopping by their booths in Waco. Because without our vendors, the convention wouldn't be the same.

What is Round Dance?

Many square dancers also enjoy round dancing, so you'll find plenty of round dance sessions at the 75th National Square Dance Convention®. If you're new to round dancing, here's a quick introduction:

Round dancing is a form of choreographed ballroom dance, where couples move in a counter-clockwise circle around the floor. Every step is pre-written on a cue sheet and called out in real time by a cuer, allowing all dancers to stay in sync.

Popular round dance rhythms include two step, waltz, foxtrot, cha-cha, rhumba, tango, and salsa. Each dance figure is assigned a difficulty level by Roundalab, the international organization that sets standards for round dancing.



Learn to Trash Dance!



Trash Dancing is one of our new classes at the 75th NSDC.

Billy Grimsley and Charlie Whisner, Trash Dancers extraordinaire, will be your instructors for this class.

Trash Dancing consists of short, stylish additions inserted between the square dance calls – never replacing them, and never messing anybody up. It is about FUN, SYNCOPATION, and MUSICALITY while staying on time and rhythm, as well as respecting the caller and the square.

Trash Dancing helps clubs grow! Smiles drive retention, creativity welcomes new dancers, and video-friendly moments help clubs showcase and recruit online.

Come check it out and find out about the Trash Dance Society too!

Go Fund Me for Contra Musicians



As an ancestor of modern square dancing, Contra dancing shares many similarities but also has many differences. A Contra dance has a caller, but the focus is on the music rather than the caller. A Contra caller may call the repeating sequence of a Contra dance about five or six times, by then the dancers have memorized it and the caller can drop out to let dancers just enjoy each other and the vibrant traditional music.

We can thank immigrants from England, Scotland, Ireland and France who brought their traditional dances and music instruments to New England. French Canadian influences were mixed in, and the dance style became rowdy and boisterous, and the delightful dances spread throughout the U.S. Most modern Contra dance groups will only dance to live music because of the incredible energy created by a Contra Band, which can consist of two musicians to 30!

There are many active Contra groups in the U.S. They can be found by consulting www.cdss.org. We'll see you in the Contra Hall at the 75th National Square Dance Convention®.

Help bring live Contra music to the Waco and Loveland conventions using the Go Fund Me codes below.

gofundme



gofundme



Funds are collected by
Contralab and transferred to
the NSDC during the convention.

For more info contact Lissa at
Contralabfinance@gmail.com

Go Fund Me for Ghost Riders

WANTED GHOST RIDERS BAND

Help Us Swing the Ghost Riders into
Waco, Texas for a Convention to Remember!

Dancers from all over the world will commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of the National Square Dance Convention® June 24-27, 2026. And what's a celebration without the electrifying energy of the Ghost Riders Band?

This fantastic live band brings excitement to our Conventions. Their music accompanied by enthusiastic callers keep dancers swinging and swaying all night long. But we need your help to make it happen.

Donate today to help cover the band's travel and lodging expenses. Every contribution—big or small—helps bring the magic of live music to the dance floor.



TO DONATE GO TO:

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/ghostriders-band>

NOTE: there is a slide bar at the bottom where you can give gofundme a "tip" for their services.

It is defaulted to a percentage but can be set to zero.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

ALL DONORS ELIGIBLE FOR A GRAND PRIZE DRAWING

Sew and Save at the 75th NSDC

*Enjoy these Sew and Save classes at the
75th National Square Dance Convention®
in the Waco Convention Center on June 24-27, 2026*

SEWING 101

This class is for people who are new to sewing.

MAKE IT YOURS

Resale items can be turned into works of art by your creativity. Make a t-shirt into a one-of-a-kind top by adding lace, fabric, or trim. Make a plain shirt unique by adding appliques, lace, or trim. Make a crew neck into a V-neck, a must for some of us.

TABLECLOTH SKIRTS

Did you know you can turn a tablecloth into an attractive square dance skirt? It is possible! Let Carol show you how to do it during this informative class.

SEWING 102

This class is for people who already know how to sew. It will cover how to read a pattern, adjust it for your body proportions, and how to properly cut out fashion.

PUTTING A YOKE ON A NON-YOKE SHIRT

Learn how to turn a normal dress shirt into a fancy square dance shirt by adding a yoke to it. The shirts you make will be



more unique and personalized than any of you could buy at a store.

ADDING TO IT

This class will show you how to take any outfit and make it unique and something you really love simply by adding a little something extra to it, like your favorite design, bling, or beads. The list is endless.

Make sure to check the 75th NSDC's Convention App (available for download in May) for dates and locations.



Sign up for the National Convention and help celebrate the Diamond Jubilee at
<https://75nsdctx.com/long-form-registration/>

Make and Take Classes

The Sew and Save rooms are not all about sewing. There will also be cute crafts to make:

Bluebonnets

Make a bluebonnet dangle or necklace with beads.

Bolo Ties and Pins

What says "Texas" more than boots and bolo ties? We aren't making boots but the Sew and Save Committee is giving you the opportunity to make your own Texas Bolo Tie or decorative pin. We have all sorts of little Texas related daddies along with some "bling" for you to choose from. Your one-of-a-kind bolo will be a great reminder of the wonderful time you had in Waco at the 75th National Square Dance Convention®.

Boot Noodles

In this workshop, participants will be given all the supplies and instructions to complete a set of two Boot Noodles. These wonderful creations will keep your boots standing tall for years to come.

Turtle Charms

In this class you will create a little turtle charm that actually moves. You will put



a pin through a donut bead and turtle bead, then attach them to jump rings, so that the turtle glides off and on the donut bead – as if it is resting on a life preserver and then moving off for a swim.

Last Chance Make and Takes

If you missed one of the Make and Takes, or if you want to make another item you already made, come to this class and use the remaining supplies to make whatever you want, and you will receive a different dangle AND a charm bracelet on which you can put your dangle and other charms.

NEC Archive Room



One of the highlights of the Archive Room is a small square quilt from 1970. This special quilt features the signatures of many past and current callers, with each square lovingly crafted to honor their contributions. The quilt stands as a testament to the enduring spirit and camaraderie of the community.

The NEC Archive Room offers a fascinating glimpse into the rich history of the national convention. Visitors will find a variety of memorabilia and artifacts that celebrate the legacy and traditions of this event.

CHRIS MALPASS The TAYLOR MALPASS MALPASS BROTHERS

LONELY STREET

"They're as REAL as grits and gravy..."
-Randy Owen - Alabama

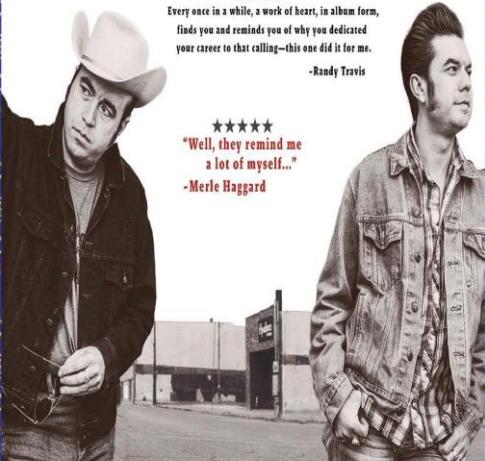
"Just when I thought real country music might be lost, I heard
The Malpass Brothers, and they renewed my faith that the
music will survive!"
-Gene Watson

"If I could purchase only one more recording in life,
I'd lay down my money for the next Malpass Brothers recording."
-Jeannie C. Riley

"...their music is as slick as the hair they comb..."
-Marty Raybon - Shenandoah

Every once in a while, a work of heart, in album form,
finds you and reminds you of why you dedicated
your career to that calling--this one did it for me.
-Randy Travis

"Well, they remind me
a lot of myself..."
-Merle Haggard



Wednesday, June 24, 2026 at 4:30 p.m.

Waco Convention Center
100 Washington Avenue
Waco, Texas

Tickets
General \$45



Scan to reserve

PUBLIC WELCOME!

This is a show you will truly enjoy!

Dinner is included.

Information-361.779.3479 or 361.463.7222

Note: Premium Seating is SOLD OUT, but General Seating Tickets are still available for the Wednesday Night Event.

The 75th National Square Dance Convention® Presents

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Ted Lizotte



Implementation of the Proposal

The International Association of Square Dance Callers' proposal introduces a simplified program structure, including a newly-defined, entry-level program and streamlined path forward for modern square dancing, according to a press release by CALLERLAB.

DATE:	TIME:	LOCATION:
Thurs., June 25, 2026	10-11 a.m.	McLennen Room #3

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.

Make plans to attend this important keynote address during the 75th NSDC in Waco, TX!

Register online at <https://75nsdctx.com/register/> or scan QR Code



ORGANIZATIONAL ROUNDTABLE

TOPIC: Implementation of the Proposal

Explore how the new program format being implemented by the International Association of Square Dance Callers (CALLERLAB) will benefit callers, dancers, clubs & more

DATE:
Thursday,
June 25, 2026

TIME:
11:15 a.m.
-12:45 p.m.

LOCATION:
McLennen Room #3
Waco Convention Center

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Square Dance Convention®
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We're Going to Texas Ya'll!

Find the Sparkle

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Just like diamonds come in many cuts and colors, our education sessions offer a variety of topics to explore. For the **75th NSDC in Waco**, we're organizing these sessions into **four main categories** to help you find what interests you most.

Stay tuned for more details on each category and the exciting sessions planned!

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Dancer Leadership Classes

Here are a few of the classes aimed at helping current and prospective club and organization leaders build their knowledge and skills:

- Toolkit for Club Leaders
- How to Build a Sustainable Club
- Are You Prepared? Emergency Plans at a Dance
- Negotiating Caller Contracts
- Solo Dancers: Can They Save Square Dancing?
- Spice Up Your Dances, Liven Up Your Club
- Who's Insured at Your Dances?

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Social Media and Publicity Classes

Here are a few of the classes designed to help clubs and dance leaders promote events and their clubs in general, with an emphasis on tapping into the power of Social Media:

- Social Media Across Generations
- Facebook and Instagram Basics
- Using Facebook Events to Promote Square Dancing
- Create Attention-Getting Flyers
- Marketing Your Club
- Advertising & Marketing in 2026 and Beyond



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CALLERLAB Classes

Here are some of the classes aimed at helping both new and veteran dance leaders build their knowledge and skills:

- Theme Tips
- How to Use Music to Better Sell Your Dance
- The Mechanics of Great Teaching
- Basic Sight Calling
- How to be an Effective Club Caller
- So You Want to Be a Caller
- Dancers: Smoothness, Styling, and Etiquette
- Modular Calling: Your New Best Friend

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Potpourri of Classes

Here are a variety of classes of interest to dancers, leaders and more:

- ❖ The ABCs of Hosting a National Square Dance Convention®
- ❖ Welcome to Waco, Y'all!
- ❖ Heading to the Heart of the Rockies: Looking Ahead to the 76th NSDC
- ❖ Start Your Engines! Looking Ahead to the 77th NSDC
- ❖ Making the Most of the Convention: Navigating the Convention App
- ❖ Dancing and Camping: S'Mores than Just the Dance
- ❖ Traveling Squares
- ❖ Personal Safety
- ❖ Travel Safety
- ❖ Trash Dancing

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75th NSDC's Leadership Certification Program

Interested in being a leader or learning to be a better one? Then the Leadership Certification Program is for you! The program can easily be completed during a single National Square Dance Convention® (NSDC) but you can take up to four years to finish. Upon completion you will receive a Certificate of Completion and a LCP dangle to proudly wear on your badge.

The Leadership Certification Program (LCP) consists of two mandatory classes, four core sessions, and two electives for a total of eight hours. There are around 43 hours of dancing and other activities during any NSDC so, if you start and finish the LCP, you will still have around 35 hours to enjoy everything the Convention has to offer. However, if you are someone who loves taking classes, you can take as many as you wish as long as you get the basic number of each category completed.

The Mandatory Sessions include the Bid Session and the Keynote address. The Bid Session is an exciting presentation given by a state that wants to host an upcoming National Square Dance Convention®. The presentation highlights many of the attractions in that city as well as providing information about the proposed venue. The second mandatory class is the Keynote Address given by a prominent member of the square or round dance community and addresses a timely and pertinent issue within the community. The Keynote Speeches can be so inspiring that participants leave with the knowledge they can make a difference.

Core Classes provide the participants with knowledge for effective administration of a square dance club or organization. These classes include insurance, using social media effectively, how to become a 501c3 organization, educational/informational pamphlets and videos available to clubs, various support organizations such as United Square Dancers of America (USDA), ARTS, and CALLERLAB as well as important topics of the current year.

Elective Classes cover a wide range of topics. Previous electives included seminars to help new callers build their skills, how to recruit and retain dancers, a slide presentation on the next year's convention, as well as seminars on making colorful and effective flyers, competition and exhibition square dancing, and histories of contra and square dancing.

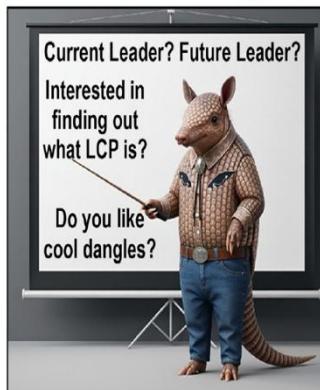
We are offering many new classes during the 75th National Square Dance Convention® in Waco, TX. They are in the planning stage at this time so check the monthly e-Magazine, Facebook, or the 75th NSDC website, www.75nsdctx.com, to see the new classes we have to offer.

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Questions about the LCP or any of the Education classes can be sent to either the Assistant Education Chairman who is also in charge of the LCP, Everett Kelly at ekelly1948@yahoo.com, or Education Chairman, Brooke Peters, at kbrookepeters@gmail.com. Sign up for the NSDC's Diamond Jubilee at <https://75nsdctx.com/register/> or scan the QR Code.



75th National Square Dance Convention® Education Program
Everything that glitters is not gold (or diamonds) - It's Education!

**Leadership
Certification
Program
(LCP)**

Current and
Future
Leaders

Clubs &
Associations

Would you like to build your skills to become a better leader?

*Are you interested in enriching your knowledge about the operations
of dance clubs and organizations?*

Do you need resources to support and promote dancing in your area?

*Do you need opportunities to exchange ideas with others about
issues and challenges facing our activity?*

The Leadership Certification Program may be for you!

- Sign in and pick up an LCP worksheet at the Education Check-in table
- Attend **Eight (8)** Education Sessions at a National Square Dance Convention®
 - 2 Mandatory Sessions (Bid Session and Keynote Address)
 - 4 Core Sessions (select from a range of Education Classes)
 - 2 Elective Sessions (select from a range of Education Classes)
- Have the volunteer room host in each class initial your worksheet.
- Turn in your worksheet at the Education table to get your completion certificate and dangle! (You have up to four years to complete the program.)
- Go back and apply your new skills and knowledge within your club or organization!

*The more classes you take,
the more diamonds in your bag!*



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Things to Learn at the Convention!

Leadership Classes

Leadership Toolkit: USDA resources for Club and Organization Leaders

Who is Insured at Your Dance?

USDA 501(c)3 Nonprofit Group Exemption Program

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Advertising and Marketing in 2026 and Beyond

Creating Eye-Catching Flyers that People Will Read

Dramatic Digital Flyers that People Won't Scroll Past

Wear Your Red, White and Blue

Let's
Celebrate!

IN HONOR OF OUR NATION'S 250th BIRTHDAY
WEAR YOUR RED WHITE & BLUE

Friday, June 26, 2026, 6:30 pm

Waco Convention Center
100 Washington Avenue
Waco, TX





You Don't Want to Miss
This...

*Sights and Sounds
of Texas*

It Ain't Your Mama's
**FASHION
SHOW**

**Saturday
June 27
1:30 pm**

75th National Square
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Square Dance Convention

Tour Brochure

Guided tour reservations are open. You must sign up at:

75nsdctx.com/tours

Book ahead so you and your friends have a spot!

Note: Fees, cancellations, and starting locations are determined by the individual tour operators. Credit card payments are made directly to the tour operator.

Also listed on the 75nsdctx.com website are many self-guided tours.



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Haunts and Legends Mobile Ghost Tours

\$39 per person
Sunday to Saturday
6:00 pm or 8:30 pm

Come along on a 2 hour spooky tour of Waco, where you'll be driven to see the city's famous haunts and hear the legends behind them from your guide. From the city's founding in 1849, there have been several incidents to prove legendary, including the tornado of 1953, the Red Light District, and Historic Cameron Park. Learn all about the haunts and legends of Waco, experience the haunts first-hand, and maybe communicate with spirits.



Fixer Upper and City Tour

\$85 per person
Sunday to Saturday
10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Waco has some great sights from TV shows, but if you don't know the area well you could miss out on finding some of them. This Waco Sites and TV Highlights Tour takes you to areas filmed on shows like Fixer Upper, Wood Work, and others. Plus, you'll also see areas like East Waco and Cameron Park, and pop into neighborhoods worth seeing up close. During the trip, enjoy a local coffee or ice cream and receive a coupon booklet.



Horseback Riding on Scenic Texas Ranch

\$89 per person
Mon, Thurs, Fri, & Sat
9:00 am or 11:00 am

This Waco horseback riding experience on a Texas Ranch is something everyone will love. You'll ride horseback through the ranch lands with some authentic cowboys, while taking in beautiful views of the farmlands, the surrounding area and the Brazos River. Beginners are welcome as there will be a lesson at the start of your 1 hour, 30 minute adventure.



Waco Foodie Tour

\$74 per person
Wednesday 12:00 or 4:30
to Saturday

Learn about Waco's culinary scene on this foodie tour that lasts for 2 hrs, 30 mins. Taste several regional foods and sample an award-winning alcoholic beverage.



Waco Wine Tours

\$125 per person
Friday to Sunday
11:30 am

Discover the vineyards and wineries of central Texas with this wine tasting tour. Enjoy being driven around to different wineries for guided tours and wine tastings.



Sunset Horseback Ride with Scenic Views

\$169 per person
Mon, Thurs, Fri, & Sat
4:30 to 6:30

Saddle up for a true Western experience on this sunset horseback ride down a trail leading you to a warm campfire. This 2 hour, 15 minute outdoor adventure in Waco gets you beautiful views of Central Texas during your trail ride. Once you reach the scenic overlook, enjoy some s'mores, cowboy-themed games by the campfire and take some time to soak in the scenery.

IT'S WACO, Y'ALL!



THE SILOS



The Silos are a familiar sight in Waco, made famous on the *Fixer Upper* TV show. Currently the Silos are closed to the public but there are wonderful shops on the grounds.

Check out the 75th NSDC tours which highlight The Silos and more! Tours available daily Sunday, June 21, 2026 through Saturday, June 27, 2026.

Fixer Upper and City Tour

\$85 per person
Sunday to Saturday
10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Guided tour reservations are open. You must sign up at:
75nsdctx.com/tours

75th National Square Dance Convention®



June 24-27 2026
DIAMOND JUBILEE

Dr Pepper Museum



The Dr Pepper Museum in Waco tells the story of America's oldest major soft drink, born in 1885 at a local drugstore, and celebrates its deep ties to the city.

In downtown Waco, the Dr Pepper Museum stands inside the historic 1906 bottling plant on Fifth Street. This sturdy brick building, scarred but still standing after the devastating 1953 tornado, became the perfect home to honor the drink invented by pharmacist Charles Alderton at the Old Corner Drug Store in 1885. Originally called a "Waco," the fizzy concoction quickly grew in popularity, leading to the formation of the Artesian Manufacturing and Bottling Company in 1891.

Today, visitors explore exhibits on the drink's quirky advertising, soda fountain culture, and the broader soft drink industry. The museum also emphasizes the free enterprise system, showing how a small-town invention grew into a global brand. Guests enjoy interactive displays, historic artifacts and, of course, a cold Dr Pepper included with admission.

In short, the Dr Pepper Museum is both a tribute to Waco's heritage and a celebration of American innovation, preserving the legacy of a hometown favorite that became a worldwide icon.

Dr Pepper Museum

IT'S WACO, Y'ALL! DR PEPPER MUSEUM

Whether you call it soda, pop, or coke, in Waco it's "Dr Pepper" which originated in Waco. Check out the Dr Pepper museum and you can be a Pepper, too. The self-guided tour includes all Museum exhibits with a complimentary drink at the Soda Fountain.

Open 7 Days a Week. 10 AM to 5:30 PM, year-round except on holidays.

Paid public parking is available, \$10 plus fees for five hours

General Admission: \$12. 4 Years and Under - Free

More Dr Pepper Experiences! Check out their website for details and prices.

What is Make-A-Soda?

- Choose one of seven signature Dr Pepper flavors offered and learn more about the soda making process

Paranormal Experience

- An exclusive Paranormal Experience at the Dr Pepper Museum where you might see floating orbs, shadow figures, voices, apparitions, and overwhelming emotions.

Extreme Pepper Experience!

- The ultimate VIP experience for the person obsessed with Dr Pepper including Make-A-Soda.

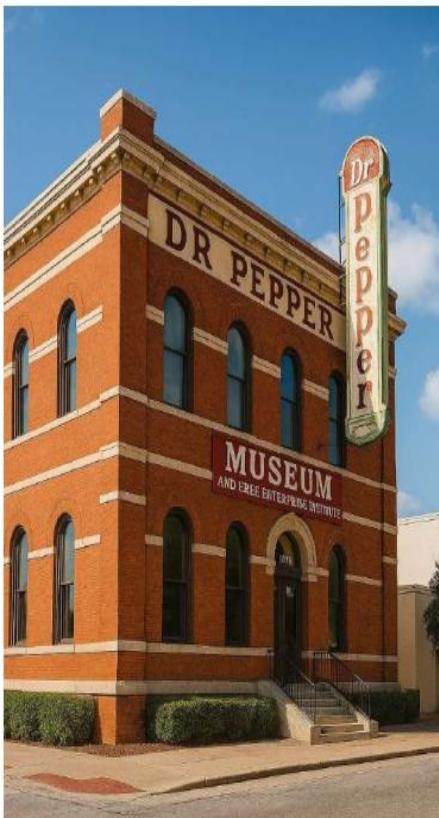
Dr Pepper Museum
300 South 5th Street
Waco, TX 76701

Wouldn't you like
to be a Pepper, too?





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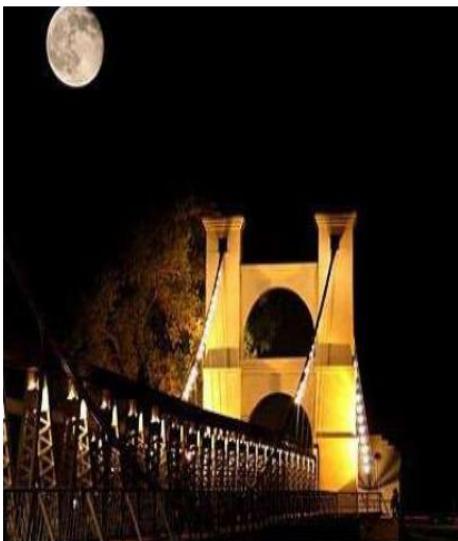
Pedestrian Suspension Bridge

Waco's Historic Suspension Bridge was the longest single-span suspension bridge west of the Mississippi when it was completed in 1870. The bridge holds a historic role as a Chisholm Trail crossing over the Brazos River.

The economic impact was immediate: Waco grew into a regional hub for cotton and cattle, rivaling larger Texas cities by the early 1900s. The bridge operated as a toll crossing until McLennan County purchased it in 1889, later transferring ownership to the City of Waco with the requirement that tolls be removed. Over the decades, the bridge underwent several renovations, including major updates in 1914 that reshaped its towers and strengthened its cables.

The bridge is now pedestrian-only and is the site of many community events and festivals. The old suspension bridge connects the Waco Convention Center to three hotels on the other side of the Brazos River: The Cambria, the Even and the Holiday Inn Express.

The Waco Suspension Bridge stands as a pedestrian landmark linking Indian Spring Park and Doris Miller Park. More than a century and a half after its debut, it remains a symbol of Waco's resilience, ingenuity, and enduring connection to the Brazos River.



The latest updates on the **75th National Square Dance Convention** ® (NSDC) can be found on their Facebook page, which is located at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/979459187111872/user/100094911386448>

You can also get updates from the latest issue of **National Squares Online** at <https://nsdcnec.com/national-squares-e-magazine/> -- which is published annually from August through May, with the latest info from the upcoming **National Square Dance Convention** ®. Just click on the desired issue(s) once you're there...they are in **PDF** format.



The e-Edition is released on the Sunday, after the last Saturday of the month, prior to the month of issue. If the last Saturday of the month is the last day of the month, then the 1st day of the month, of the month of issue, is the release date.

You can download the e-Edition (full or compact)), as well as photos from recent Club Special Dances, at the **ASSDF website**, at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square>.

Note that a **PDF viewer is required** to view these files, and the **Special Dance Photos** files noted can be rather large.

Club Special Dance Photos In The Last Month

Please email these 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.

Due to **space limitations, photo quality, or page formatting**, I can't use all of them sent in, or from Facebook); but you can view them (and videos, where available) on the various Facebook pages (including the **Arkansas Square Dance** page, **The Three Amigos** page, the **Fall Festival** page, and the **Square Dance Events** group). Also, note that **not everyone** is on Facebook.

Special Dance Photos from late December 2025 through January, 2026, downloadable from <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square>, were obtained from the emails, Facebook pages, plus **ASSDF club** and the special dances from the **B-Bar-H Square Dance Club**, **Square Dance USA**, **Heart Of America Single Square Dance Association (HASSDA)**, **Pioneers**, **The Three Amigos**, **Southern Swingers**, **Maverick Mixers**, **Levi's And Lace**, **Star Steppers**, **Twirling Lariats**, and the **Arky Cloggers**.

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