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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 e-Edition.
5. Non-commercial ads that are submitted to promote dance events within the Federation area will be accepted **only** from **ASSDF** clubs and organizations as well as their Callers and Cuers.

Advertisements:

All Special Dance flyers are **FREE**, but ads for one's business/job, or other personal ads, are \$10 per month, or \$60 per year. In other words, if you buy a year's worth of ads, it's like you'll get six months free!!

Advance Payment is required to the ASSDF Treasurer, before the ad will run. All flyer and ad copy should be sent to the Editor before the deadline that is noted above. Be sure that all the information that's in the dance flyer, ads, etc., is **correct** before submission for publication.

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President's Message

Gobble, Gobble Dancing Friends,

It is hard to believe that it is already November.

Kim and I hope you enjoyed the 75th annual ASSDF Fall Festival in Whitehall. We can't tell you how much fun we had dancing with everyone to all our local callers. We couldn't have had a dance without each and every one of them. We also want to thank the **ASSDF Board** and our Diamond Jamboree Chair, **Mike and Lanita Hammett**. Finally, a **BIG** thank you to Justin Russell and Charlie Robertson for two great nights of dancing.

Congratulations to all our **Arkansas Travelers**. We had **9** people earn their **Traveler Badge** and **17** folks earned their **Super Traveler Badge**. Everyone that attended the Fall Festival earned their first 2 points for the 2026 badge. If you didn't pick up your Traveler Badge form at the festival, they are available on the **ASSDF website** at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com>.

Something else you can find on the website is a schedule of upcoming dances. November is full of them.

November 1st starts us off right with the “**Jack is Back**” dance at The Barrett Center in Hot Springs. Special caller is Jack Pladdys.

November 2nd is the latest version our “**New Kids Block Party**” at the Mabelvale Legion Hut from 4pm-6pm.

November 8th has two options:

Maverick Mixers -- Honoring Veterans Dance
Southern Swingers -- Special with Tim Tyl

November 14th -- the **Heber Springers** will host their **Give Thanks Dance** with caller Phil Moorehouse.

November 21st has the final **Louisiana Lagniappe** for 2025 at the **Southern Swingers** with Tim Tyl

November 21 and 22 have back-to-back nights at the Mabelvale Hut. The **Twirling Lariats** and **Maverick Mixers** will host **Giving Thanks Giving Back Dance**. Free Admission -- Donations will go to the Ronald McDonald House. Friday's dance is 7pm-9:30pm. Saturday will have Plus dancing from 1pm-3pm, Mainstream from 3pm-5pm and both Mainstream and Plus from 7pm-9:30pm.

November 29th -- the **Maverick Mixers** will host a **National Square Dance Day Dance**.

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

We hope all of you have a wonderful time this Thanksgiving. If you don't have folks to spend Thanksgiving Day with, you have plenty of folks and opportunities to dance. We're always thankful for the opportunity to dance and fellowship with you.

Yellow Rock to All of You,

Tom and Kim Fox, ASSDF President, 2025



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 Springs 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:

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. The **compact** version is without these for those on **limited** data plans. Photos are from 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 club updates (special dances, cancellations, changes), Modern Square releases, etc., if the email is returned as **"undeliverable"** (over quota mailbox, bad email address, etc.).

From The Editor



First, a heartfelt message from Elaine Cox, of **NEODSA** (Northeast Oklahoma Square Dance Association), but this applies to **ALL** dancers, no matter where they are. **I couldn't have said this any better.**

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We need to support **all of our callers**, by attending their dances wherever they are held. Even if things are not exactly as we want them to be, our callers are showing up and doing their job. As dancers, we need to do the same.

Please don't stay away from dancing because of fear of controversy. During times of uncertainty, we can and should come together and be united to keep our hobby healthy and strong. Please attend every dance that you can. Consider attending dances you don't normally attend as a show of solidarity. We will make it through this. Our callers are staying steady. As dancers, we need to do what we always do; follow their lead.

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Second, **all clubs** have related expenses for the maintenance, repair, and upkeep of their dance halls...never mind the fact that hall rents for regular dances and festivals, have skyrocketed. The "**New Kids Block Party**" dances at American Legion Post 128 (where the **Twirling Lariats** and **Maverick Mixers** dance (the only 2 **ASSDF** Clubs left in Little Rock)), has its proceeds going to "The Hut Repair Fund".

Two of the **ASSDF Clubs** are **OUTSIDE** of Arkansas, but they are nearby. These are the **Guys N Dolls** in New Boston, Texas...and the **Southern Swingers** in Bossier City, Louisiana. Hall costs in Texarkana had the **Guys N Dolls** move to New Boston, Texas...and the **Southern Swingers** were the host club to the recent **74th National Square Dance Convention** ® in Shreveport. Without them, there would only be **10**

ASSDF clubs. So, when an **ASSDF Club** has a fund raiser dance for “dance facility upkeep”, I’m going to promote it.

Dancers are going to go where they want to dance, especially if it’s closer to their location. Note that not every e-Edition subscriber is in Arkansas...and by promoting festivals from nearby states to subscribers of **The Modern Square**, their publications, and square dance websites promote the **ASSDF website**, and Arkansas’ Special Dances/Festivals. In fact, several dancers from outside of Arkansas attended the recent **75th ASSDF Diamond Jamboree Fall Festival** in White Hall (noted below). For the dancers who are traveling, and are passing through Arkansas, they want to know what club and special dances we have.

Third, the **75th ASSDF Diamond Jamboree Fall Festival** is now history, and from the reports I heard, and from numerous photos from Ted Hofmeister, Ginny Short, Michelle Penson Welch, Karen Gatherer, Nona Sue Richardson Walker, and Phyllis Keeney, it appears that “a good time was had by all”.

The Maverick Mixers sponsored the **Crystals And Gems Trail End Dance** on Thursday, with National Callers **Justin Russell** and **Charlie Robertson** on Friday and Saturday nights. There were 4 squares for the Trail End Dance, then 10-14 squares Friday and Saturday night...with **ASSDF President Tom Fox** “in the pink”!! 😊 Thanks to everyone for coming to celebrate **75 years of the ASSDF**, and for all the workers behind the scenes, who made it a great event. Well over **100** photos are in a separate Special Dances e-Edition this month. **Congratulations to Ginny Short**, who won the handmade quilt.

For those who attended the recent **2025 ASSDF Fall Festival**, there was a **Feedback Form** in the Program Book. If you didn’t fill it out, you can download a copy at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/resources> -- your responses will help the **ASSDF** prepare for future Fall Festivals.

The **2026 ASSDF Fall Festival** will be in Clinton at the Van Buren County Fairgrounds, with the **Heber Springers** as the host club, with Theresa and Rickie Muth as Chairpersons. More details will follow as soon as possible.

Fourth, it’s now the holiday season, and many clubs have special dances planned for Thanksgiving and Christmas...but some clubs will be

DARK in the days after the holidays (since both are on Thursday this year). Please call before you travel, in case of last-minute changes or cancellations. And, if you've been ill, or don't feel well on a dance night...or if bad weather is an issue, please stay home.

Also, with one's travels, during the holidays and otherwise, I'm now listing the first page of **multi-day square dance festival flyers** in states surrounding or close to Arkansas in the full e-Edition. Details are on the **ASSDF website**, at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events> as well as the **Special Events Calendar** elsewhere in this issue. Besides, we need to dance off all the good holiday food!!

Fifth, thanks to **ASSDF USDA Representative Jean Coy**, there are 4 pages of info elsewhere in this issue. These cover various programs sponsored by the **United Square Dancers Of America (USDA)**; which include the **Centennial Awards Program, Webinars, Handouts, the Youth Merit Based Scholarships, the USA Traveler Badge**, and information on the **USDA Club and Dancer Insurance** program. Further info on club 2026 dues will be in the December 2025 issue of **The Modern Square**. These links are available on the **ASSDF website Resources page** at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/resources>

Sixth, the **ASSDF, Twirling Lariats, and Maverick Mixers** invite you to the **2026 Spring Fling** on Mount Nebo, March 6-7, 2026...with Jay King, Phil Moorehouse, and Tim Tyl. A flyer is in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website**.

Seventh, National Caller Buddy Weaver discusses the topic of "Smooth Dancing" from a recent article published in "**American Square Dance**" magazine. It is noted in the full e-Edition.

Special Dance Photos for much of **October, 2025**, downloadable at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square>, which were obtained from emails, Facebook pages, plus **ASSDF** club and special dances from **SquareDanceUSA, Canyon Lake Dancers, Castoff8's, Twirling Lariats, River City Squares, Southern Swingers, Heber Springers, Twirling Funtimers, Maverick Mixers**, as well as from the **Levi's And Lace**.

Many thanks to Corben Geis, Elaine Cox, Luzia Weston, Daryl Stout, Mike Lewis, Jody King, Carole Baker, Amanda Hargrove-Throgmartin,

Ginny Short, Loree Kant, Theresa Muth, Lanita Hammett, and Phyllis Keeney for the photos. Note that the **2025 ASSDF Fall Festival Photos** are in a **SEPARATE** Special Dances e-Edition. Many thanks to Ted Hofmeister, Ginny Short, Michelle Penson Welch, Karen Gatherer, Phyllis Keeney, and Nona Sue Richardson Walker for those photos.

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

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

The ASSDF wishes **A Happy And Safe Thanksgiving** to all, and we extend **our heartfelt thanks** to those serving as officers, as well as everyone working behind the scenes to make this wonderful hobby better.

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 notices of these updates**. Thank you in advance for your assistance in this.



Bed Shaker

NOAA Weather Radio



Strobe Light

Much of the U.S. goes **BACK** to **Standard Time** at 2am local time on Sunday, Nov. 2, 2025. Set your clocks **BACK 1 HOUR**, before you go to bed on Nov. 1; or you'll be **AN HOUR EARLY**, for church, work, appointments, dances, etc. Also, **CHANGE** the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, and NOAA Weather Radio devices.



WELCOME NEW DANCERS

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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**.



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

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>

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

2029 - June 27-30, 2029

78th NSDC Host City:
To Be Announced

Registration Forms for the next NSDC are in the full e-Edition. 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), Souvenirs, 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, etc. unless someone offers transportation. Please advise me if your info (club contact, dance day/time) in The Modern Square or on the ASSDF website, is wrong; as I can't fix it if I'm not told.

Most of the special dance photos are from club Facebook groups, although not everyone is on Facebook. If nothing's sent in or posted, nothing's published in The Modern Square, or on the ASSDF website. There's no word limit on club reports, but minor editing is done for typos, grammar, and continuity. The issue publication deadline is 3pm, US Central Time, on the Sunday, after the last Saturday of the month, before the month of issue.

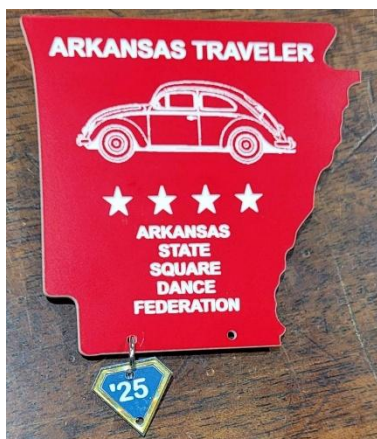
If emails to you are returned, due to your box being full/over quota, or the address isn't valid, you won't receive notices on Modern Square releases or ASSDF club updates, until you contact me with updated info. Please let me know if you no longer want these emails.

Please CALL BEFORE TRAVELING, in case of last minute changes or cancellations. If you've been ill, feel ill on a dance night, or if weather is an issue, please stay home.

NONE of the ASSDF Officers will EVER send emails, Facebook messages, etc., asking for money, gift cards, etc.; those are SCAMS! Clubs with Facebook pages MUST police them, as scammers are posting things like "club T-Shirts", "death of a celebrity", "deleting all inactive members", "wanting part time work," (NOTHING to do with square dancing). These posts/emails have viruses to steal your identity, delete, destroy, or encrypt your data, where you'd have to pay a HUGE cost to get it back.

If you see these emails, DELETE them. And, if you see these ads, DON'T click on ANY part of them. Instead, report them to the group administrators, so the post can be deleted, and the poster can be banned from the group. Then, BLOCK that person in your email spam filter, and your Facebook profile. This helps keep that spam off your page. If not, someone will get their identity/data stolen, your Facebook page could get hacked, or you could be "left on the hook, financially".

Daryl Stout, Editor, Webmaster, Circulation Chairman, ASSDF



NAME _____

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CLUB _____ CITY _____

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)

Club _____

OFFICER _____ DATE _____

AREA V, (Little Rock, Conway)

Club _____

OFFICER _____ DATE _____

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.arkansasquaredance.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.

Download this at <http://www.arkansasquaredance.com/resources>

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 URLs, if known, are noted with the dance listing. You can also find this info on the **ASSDF website** at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events>

ASSDF Club Special Dances

Note: While this is technically the November 2025 issue, since it's being released several days before the first of the month, I'm adding late October 2025 dances. DS

LATE OCTOBER 2025

Oct. 28, 2025 – River City Squares Halloween Dance, Fort Smith Senior Center, 2700 Cavanaugh Road, Fort Smith, AR. Caller: Jay King.

Oct. 31, 2025 – Twirling Lariats Halloween Dance, American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale, AR. Caller: Nelda Eaton. See the flyer in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Oct. 31, 2025 – Louisiana Lagniappe at the Southern Swingers, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

NOVEMBER 2025

Nov. 1, 2025 – 2nd Annual Hot Springs Square Dance Bash, Barrett Center Hall (just before Magic Springs), Hot Springs, AR. Guest Caller: Jack Pladdys. See the flyer in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Nov. 2, 2025 – New Kids Callers Clinic and Thanksgiving Dance, American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. **** All Callers Welcome ****
Caller Clinic at 1pm, Dance at 4pm.

Nov. 8, 2025 -- Maverick Mixers Honor Our Veterans Dance, American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse. See the flyer in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Nov. 8, 2025 – Southern Swingers Special Dance, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Nov. 14, 2025 – Heber Springers Give Thanks Dance, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse.

Nov. 21, 2025 – Louisiana Lagniappe at the Southern Swingers, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Nov. 21-22, 2025 – 2 Club Giving Thanks By Giving Back Dance, American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Callers: Nelda Eaton and Phil Moorehouse. **** Free Admission ** Donations accepted for the Little Rock area Ronald McDonald House ** Friday Night, plus Saturday Afternoon and Evening Dancing **** See the flyer in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Nov. 26, 2025 – The Twirling Funtimers are DARK tonight.

Nov. 28, 2025 – The Heber Springers and the Levis' And Lace are DARK tonight.

Nov. 29, 2025 -- Maverick Mixers National Square Dance Day Dance, American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse. See the flyer in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

DECEMBER 2025

Dec. 12, 2025 – Heber Springers Christmas Dinner Dance, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse. Dinner at 6:30pm, Dance at 7pm.

Dec. 13, 2025 -- Maverick Mixers Christmas Dance, American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Guest Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Dec. 13, 2025 – Southern Swingers Christmas Dance, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Joey Duhamel.

Dec. 24, 2025 – The Twirling Funtimers are DARK tonight.

Dec. 26, 2025 – The Heber Springers and the Levi's and Lace are DARK tonight.

JANUARY 2026

Jan. 3, 2026 – The Three Amigos New Years Kicks In 2026 Dance, American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale (Little Rock, AR). Callers and other details will be announced as soon as possible.

FEBRUARY 2026

Feb. 28, 2026 – Gateway To The Ozarks Clogging Workshop, Pocahontas, AR. Clogging Instructors: Lanita Hammett, Shina Morgan, Kaydin Seawel, LaRetha Morrison. See the flyer in the full e-Edition, 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 in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

MAY 2026

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 Jamboree Dance, Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Caller: Tim Tyl. Further details will be posted as soon as possible.

OCTOBER 2026

Oct. 8-10, 2026 – 76th ASSDF Fall Festival, Clinton, Arkansas.
Hosted by the Heber Springs. Oct. 8 Trail End Dance Caller: Ken

Burke. National Caller: Scott Bennett. Further details will be announced as soon as possible.

Non-ASSDF Special Dances and Festivals

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LATE OCTOBER 2025

Oct. 28, 2025 -- 3rd Annual Monster Mash At The Glade, Lebanon, TN. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Oct. 30, 2025 -- Recycles 5th Thursday All Plus Pizza Party, Tulsa, OK. Callers: Darryl Lipscomb and Monty Hackler. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Oct. 31, 2025 -- RRVA Halloween Dance, Wichita Falls, TX. Callers: Scott Bennett, Tim Tanner, Bobby Willis. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

NOVEMBER 2025

Nov. 2, 2025 -- Toys For Tots Afternoon Benefit Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Nov. 7-9, 2025 -- Oklahoma State Square Dance Federation Festival, Ardmore, OK. OKSSDF Callers: Mike Shultz, Darryl Lipscomb, Bobby Willis, Jim Howard, and Jonathan Marshall. **** Pre-Party Dance Nov. 7 **** See the flyer in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Nov. 29, 2025 -- East Texas Callers Association Fund Raiser Dance, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX. ETCA Callers and Cuers. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Nov. 30, 2025 – ETSRDA Toys For Tots Afternoon Dance, Mineola, TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

JANUARY 2026

Jan. 16-17, 2026 – General Butler Bash Plus and Advanced Square and Round Dance Weekend, Somerset, KY. Callers: Jack Pladdys, Travis Cook, Dan Sahlstrom, and Tom Davis. Cuer: Elaine Wintrow. See the flyer in the full e-Edition, or on the **ASSDF website**, or go to <https://generalbutlerbash.com/> for more info.

Jan. 24, 2026 – Mississippi Square And Round Dance Association (MSRDA) South Council Dance, Hattiesburg, MS. Caller: Bubba Mingus. Cuer: Tim Eum. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

FEBRUARY 2026

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. 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.

MARCH 2026

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 in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info, or go to <https://tassd.org>

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 in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

APRIL 2026

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 in the full e-Edition, 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 in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

MAY 2026

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 in the full e-Edition, 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 in the full e-Edition, 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.

JUNE 2026

June 4-6, 2026 – 64th Texas State Federation Square And Round Dance Festival, Longview, TX. See the flyer in the full e-Edition, 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 in the full e-Edition , and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

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 in the full e-Edition, 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 in the full e-Edition, and 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 in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info, or go to <https://tnsquaredance.org/>

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 in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info

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 21-24, 2028 – 77th National Square Dance Convention

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

Club Reports

Note: Information for these reports was obtained from the club Facebook groups and photos, emails to the Editor, and items on the Special Events Calendar. DS

Arky Cloggers

Hello November!

October was huge for one of the **ARKY** girls. Angelia married Alan Youngblood. Congrats and best wishes for many, many happy years together!

The **ARKY CLOGGERS** open house was a success! We gained 4 new team members. Let's welcome Tracy, Amanda, Gabby, and Donna. Interestingly enough, I have 3 generations from one family! Amanda was part of a completion team that I was on many years ago. Since then, she has married and she's taking class with her young daughter, Gabby. Her mother, Tracy, has always taken Amanda to the lessons, but never tried it until now! I think she's hooked. These ladies are working hard, and I expect great things from them!

I am happy to report that Kaitlyn has rejoined the team! Welcome back!

Unfortunately, we were unable to perform at the Apple Butter Festival on Petit Jean this year. With the threat of bad weather looming, the trailer was cancelled; so, we had no place to dance. I sure hope you keep us in mind for next year!

We have another performance planned on November 1st in Searcy at Pioneer Village. We are looking forward to dancing on the enlarged stage.

Feel free to drop-in at any time! We love visitors.

Kudos to our own Lanita Hammett for chairing up the recent **75th ASSDF Fall Festival Diamond Jamboree** in White Hall...where there were clogging workshops. Several photos from that weekend are in the **2025 Fall Festival Special Dances e-Edition**.

Coming up on February 28, 2026, our own Lanita Hammett, will be joined by other clogging instructors Shina Morgan, Kaydin Seawel, and LaRetha Morrison, at the **Gateway To The Ozarks Clogging Workshop** in Pocahontas. See the flyer and registration form in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more information.

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

The Arky Cloggers wish everyone a safe and **Happy Thanksgiving**.

Lanita Hammett

Blue Belles And Beaus

Our own Phil Moorehouse will join caller Nelda Eaton at a special **Giving Thanks By Giving Back 2 Day Event Dance**, on Friday evening, November 21...and on Saturday afternoon and evening, November 22, at 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 details. Admission is free for the dancing, but donations will be accepted for the Ronald McDonald House in Little Rock.

Our own Phil Moorehouse will join Jay King and Tim Tyl at the **Spring Fling on Mount Nebo**, on March 6-7, 2026. A flyer and registration form are in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website**. We hope you can join us for that fun weekend...remembering square dance weekends up there long ago.

Some of our dancers attended the recent **75th ASSDF Diamond Jamboree Fall Festival** in White Hall. Several photos from the weekend are in the **2025 Fall Festival** Special Dances e-Edition.

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

The **Blue Belles and Beaus** extend a **Happy and Safe Thanksgiving** to our members and visitors.

Robert and Cheryl Shaver

Guys N Dolls

The Guys N Dolls were well represented at the recent **75th ASSDF Diamond Jamboree Fall Festival** in White Hall. Several photos are in the **2025 ASSDF Fall Festival** Special dances e-Edition.

Our own Nelda Eaton will be calling the **Twirling Lariats Halloween Dance** on Oct. 31. While this is technically the November 2025 issue, since it's being released a few days before that dance, we have it here as a reminder. However, due to deadlines, photos and a report from that dance will be in the December 2025 Special Dances e-Edition. A flyer is in the full e-Edition with details on the upcoming dances.

Nelda will also be calling a special **Giving Thanks By Giving Back 2 Day Dance Event** with the **Twirling Lariats** and the **Maverick Mixers** on Friday evening, November 21...then Saturday afternoon and evening November 22, at American Legion Post 128 at 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 details. Admission is free for the dancing, but donations will be accepted for the Ronald McDonald House in Little Rock.

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** has **CHANGED**...it's now located at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1182928908453786> -- you'll find any updates posted on that page.

The Guys N Dolls wish everyone a **Happy and Safe Thanksgiving!!**

Rhonda Bailey

Heber Springers

Several of our dancers were at the recent **75th ASSDF Diamond Jamboree Fall Festival** in White Hall. Several photos are in the **2025 ASSDF Fall Festival Special Dances e-Edition**.

Tricks and not treats with scheduling had Guest Caller Roy Hestand instead of Dan Nordbye at our Halloween Dance. Then, Phil's vehicle broke down while he was traveling in Colorado. Several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

This month, we have our **Give Thanks Dance** on November 14. And, to finish off the year, our Christmas Dance is set for Dec. 12, with a potluck dinner at 6:30pm and our dance at 7:30pm.

Our own Phil Moorehouse will join caller Nelda Eaton at a special **Giving Thanks By Giving Back 2 Day Event Dance**, on Friday evening, November 21...and on Saturday afternoon and evening, November 22, at 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 details. Admission is free for the dancing, but donations will be accepted for the Ronald McDonald House in Little Rock.

Next spring, Phil will be joined by fellow callers Jay King and Tim Tyl at the **Spring Fling on Mount Nebo**, on March 6-7, 2026. A flyer and registration form are in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website**. We hope you can join us for that fun weekend...remembering square dance weekends up there long ago.

We are hosting the **2026 ASSDF Fall Festival** at the Van Buren County Fairgrounds in Clinton...more details will be noted as soon as possible in our report, **The Modern Square**, as well as on the **ASSDF**

website. Ken Burke will call the Trail End Dance on Thursday, Oct. 8, and we'll also have National Caller Scott Bennett...along with Arkansas' Callers And Cuers during the weekend.

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!!

Note that we will be **DARK** on Nov. 28 for the Thanksgiving Holiday Weekend, and we will also be **DARK** on Dec. 26 for the Christmas Holiday Weekend.

Please check our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/487782943047841> for any changes or updates.

Happy Holidays to all from the **Heber Springers!!**

Theresa Math

Levi's And Lace

The **Levi's and Lace** were well represented at the recent **ASSDF 75th Diamond Jamboree Fall Festival** in White Hall. Numerous photos are in the **2025 ASSDF Fall Festival Special Dances e-Edition**.

Caller Lanita Hammett tried to get my feet "just right" for a line dance, but they didn't stay that way!! You can see the photo in the Special Dances e-Edition...and a couple of videos from our late October dance are on our Facebook page.

Note that with the holidays, since Thanksgiving and Christmas are on the 4th Thursday this year, we will be **DARK** on November 28, and December 26, so members can spend the holidays with their families.

It has truly been a real joy dancing to our new callers, Blake and Amanda Throgmartin...and if you haven't danced to them yet, you're in for a real treat.

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.

Please check our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1496305407256737> for last-minute changes or updates.

Happy Thanksgiving from all of us with the **Levi's And Lace!!**

Phyllis Keeney

Maverick Mixers

Several Maverick Mixers attended the recent **75th ASSDF Fall Festival Diamond Jamboree** in White Hall in early October. Many thanks to our own Mike and Lanita Hammett, who served as the festival chairpersons, and congratulations to our own Ginny Short for winning the beautiful handmade quilt. She was so happy, that she kissed the skeleton!! Numerous photos are in the **2025 ASSDF Fall Festival Special Dances E-Edition**.

We had 3 squares at our Halloween Dance...several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

The month of November has a special dance on each of our dance nights. First, it's the **Honor Our Veterans Dance** on Nov. 8. We wish to express **our heartfelt thanks** to all the veterans...those who are currently serving, those who have served, and take time to remember the memory of those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for the many freedoms that we enjoy.

Next, we'll join the **Twirling Lariats** for a **Giving Thanks By Giving Back 2 Day Dance Weekend** on Friday evening, November 21, plus Saturday afternoon and evening, November 22, with our own Phil Moorehouse joining Nelda Eaton for the weekend. A flyer is located in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** with more details. Admission is free, but donations will be accepted for the Ronald McDonald House in Little Rock.

To dance off all the Thanksgiving food, you're invited to our **National Square Dance Day Dance** on Nov. 29. Then, our **Christmas Dance** will be on Saturday, Dec. 13, with Special Guest Caller Tim Tyl...who always does a fun dance, and it's like every dance is Christmas with him, for all the "calling presents".

The **Maverick Mixers** extend **Happy Holiday** wishes to both our members and visitors.

Next spring, our own Phil Moorehouse will join Jay King and Tim Tyl at the **Spring Fling on Mount Nebo**, on March 6-7, 2026. A flyer and registration form are in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website**. We hope you can join us for that fun weekend...remembering square dance weekends up there long ago.

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

Our own Roy Hestand guest called for the **Heber Springers** at their **Halloween Dance**. Several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

Some of our dancers were at the **75th ASSDF Diamond Jamboree Fall Festival** in White Hall last month, while others joined our own Roy Hestand at a special dance in Missouri. Several photos from the **2025 ASSDF Fall Festival** are in its own Special Dances e-Edition.

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

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

The **Pioneers** wish everyone a safe and **Happy Thanksgiving**.

Becky Hestand

River City Squares

We have started our newest square dance class as of Oct. 7, 2025...at our regular dance place, the Fort Smith Senior Center, at 2700 Cavanaugh Road, with our own Jay King instructing the potential new dancers. Several photos from the first night of class are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

Several of the River City Squares were at the recent **75th ASSDF Diamond Jamboree Fall Festival** in White Hall. Several photos are in the **2025 ASSDF Fall Festival** Special Dances e-Edition.

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 are elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website**. We hope you can join us for that fun weekend...remembering square dance weekends up there long ago.

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

The **River City Squares** wish everyone a **Safe and Happy Thanksgiving**.

Jody King

Southern Swingers

We had a great crowd at the Northwest Louisiana Square And Round Dance Association (NWLSRDA) Fund Raiser Dance at Promenade Hall on Oct. 17...to raise money for needed repairs and other expenses

at our dance location. All dance clubs have these hall expenses to deal with, and we're thankful for our members and visitors.

Since this issue is coming out a few days before our Oct. 31 **Louisiana Lagniappe Dance**, if you're in the area on Halloween Night, please come by and join us. A flyer is elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website**. We'll have one more final **Louisiana Lagniappe Dance** for 2025 on Friday, November 21. Tim Tyl will call both of those dances, and he will also be doing a special dance for us on Saturday, November 8, at our regular dance place. For the final month of 2025, our own Joey Duhamel will call at our **Christmas Party Dance** on Saturday, December 13.

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 bringing a spectacular dance, like the beautiful fall colors!! We hope that you can join us at one of our dances real soon!!

Please check our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064404143648> for any last-minute changes or updates.

Happy Thanksgiving to all from the **Southern Swingers!!**

Carole Baker

Star Steppers

Several of the Star Steppers were at the recent **75th ASSDF Diamond Jamboree Fall Festival** in White Hall, near where we dance during the month. Several photos are in the **2025 ASSDF Fall Festival Special Dances e-Edition**.

Our own Phil Moorehouse will join caller Nelda Eaton at a special **Giving Thanks By Giving Back 2 Day Event Dance**, on Friday evening, November 21...and on Saturday afternoon and evening, November 22, at 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 details. Admission

is free for the dancing, but donations will be accepted for the Ronald McDonald House in Little Rock.

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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.

Happy Thanksgiving to our members and visitors from the **Star Steppers**.

Kathy Tankersly

Twirling Funtimers

The Cookie Monster made an appearance at our Halloween Dance in mid-October...you can see him in the Special Dances e-Edition.

We normally dance on Wednesday from 6pm to 8:30pm, at the Lloyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane in Lakeview, with Special Dances on the 3rd Wednesday. Note that we will be **DARK** on Nov. 26 for the Thanksgiving holiday, and on Dec. 24 for the Christmas holiday, so our members can spend the holidays with their families.

Also, with winter weather approaching soon, 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 any changes or last-minute updates. **Happy Holidays** from the **Twirling Funtimers**.

Anieta England

Twirling Lariats

We start this report on a sad note, with condolences to Mike and Ellen Lewis on the recent passing of Mike's Dad. Our thoughts and prayers are with them during this difficult time.

We had 2 squares at our October 3 dance...several photos from that dance, and from our Oct. 17 dance are in Special Dances e-Edition.

Several members attended the **75th ASSDF Diamond Jamboree Fall Festival**, with our own Tom Fox making a **fashion statement** on Saturday evening. Several photos are in the **2025 ASSDF Fall Festival** Special Dances e-Edition.

While this is technically the November 2025 issue, since it's being released a few days before that, on Halloween night, Friday, Oct. 31, we'll have our Halloween Dance. Costumes are optional, but prizes may be awarded for the best costume. See the flyer in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more updates. Note that due to deadlines, a report on that dance will be in the December, 2025 issue. And, we hope to have information on our Christmas dance in next month's issue of The Modern Square...and as we get into 2026, info on our spring **June Bug Dance** with Tim Tyl in late May.

We will be joining the Maverick Mixers for a **Giving Thanks By Giving Back 2 Day Dance Weekend**...with our own Nelda Eaton being joined by caller Phil Moorehouse. The fun starts at our November 21 Friday evening dance...then, there'll be workshops and dancing on Saturday afternoon and evening. Admission to the dances is free, but donations will be accepted for the Ronald McDonald House in Little Rock. See the flyer in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

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.

Happy Thanksgiving to all from the Twirling Lariats!!

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 assdfmodernsquare@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>

**** No new classes known of at this time ****

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 for more information.

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

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 in error, or if your club is changing their dance locations, dates, times, 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, 165 Jerry Baker Lane

Caller: Roy Hestand

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

Rose Bud

Heber Springers – 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

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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
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Guys And Dolls, Twirling Lariats

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Twirling Funtimers

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Pioneers

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River City Squares

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

Ritter, Art – 1213 Oak Acres Drive, Bryant, AR 72019
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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

There are flyers for the following **ASSDF Club Special Dances** as well as dances for the National Square Dance Convention ® at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events> and in the full e-Edition. Please check the **Special Events Calendar** for other special dances that aren't listed here (no flyer yet available).

Oct. 31, 2025 – Twirling Lariats Halloween Dance, Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Caller: Nelda Eaton

Nov. 1, 2025 – 2nd Annual Hot Springs Square Dance Bash, Hot Springs, AR. Caller: Jack Pladdys

Nov. 8, 2025 -- Maverick Mixers Honoring Veterans Dance, Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse

Nov. 8, 2025 – Southern Swingers Thanksgiving Dance, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl

Nov. 21-22, 2025 – 2 Club Giving Thanks By Giving Back Dance, Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Callers: Nelda Eaton and Phil Moorehouse **** Free Admission ** Donations accepted for Little Rock Ronald McDonald House ** Friday evening, plus Saturday afternoon and evening dancing ****

Nov. 29, 2025 -- Maverick Mixers National Square Dance Day Dance, Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse

Dec. 13, 2025 -- Maverick Mixers Christmas Dance, Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Caller: Tim Tyl

March 5-6, 2026 – Spring Fling on Mount Nebo, Dardanelle, AR. Callers: Phil Moorehouse, Jay King, and Tim Tyl.

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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 **Club Special Dance Photos file 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.

Because of **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 for much of **October, 2025**, downloadable at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square>, which were obtained from emails, Facebook pages, plus **ASSDF** club and special dances from **SquareDanceUSA**, **Canyon Lake Dancers**, **Castoff8's**, **Twirling Lariats**, **River City Squares**, **Southern Swingers**, **Heber Springers**, **Twirling Funtimers**, **Maverick Mixers**, as well as from the **Levi's And Lace**.

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