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Please send any club reports, photos, or questions about The Modern Square (including e-Edition notifications, ad copy, or for the **ASSDF website**) to Daryl Stout, Editor/Webmaster/Circulation Chairman, via email to assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com – other contact info for the Editor, and the **ASSDF Officers** is elsewhere in this issue.

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. Non-commercial ads that are submitted to promote dance events within the Federation area are accepted **only** from **ASSDF** clubs, organizations, and 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. Please be sure that all of the information in the flyer, ads, etc., are **correct** before submission for publication.

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If you'd like to give back to this wonderful hobby, and serve as an ASSDF officer, please contact any ASSDF Board member. A photo of the 2025 ASSDF Officers can be found in the Jan. 2025 e-Edition.



President's Message

The month of Nationals has arrived! Have you felt the momentum? We have. Summer brings us to the ultimate dance week for square dancers. We hope we get to dance with you in Shreveport or welcome you to the event. We're helping with the check-in table and looking forward to it. Do you have time to help out? Please message us or message Ted. He'll find a place for you if you have an hour or so.

In some great news, our club, the **Twirling Lariats** has a new caller. **Nelda Eaton** has agreed to call for us and we've enjoyed great plus work, good mainstream dances, and some fun new line dances. Please come visit us.

Please welcome **the newest ASSDF members, the Arky Cloggers**. Can you guess how they are a bit different? This is a clogging club led by Lanita Hammett. The club meets on Tuesday afternoons and evenings, and they have several levels. Look up their info on the **ASSDF website** at <https://arkansassquaredance.com/clubs>, or elsewhere in this issue, to find out more, and think about joining the fun. It's good exercise and lots of fun even for those who have never clogged before.

The **Maverick Mixers** continue with their solid group of students. If you have **classes in progress**, or **new graduates since last year's Fall Festival**, make sure they are aware of **free registration** for this year's **ASSDF Fall Festival** in White Hall.

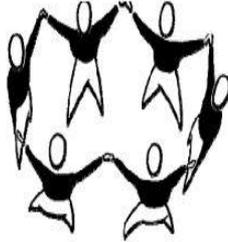
May has been a busy month personally, so we haven't gotten around to as many clubs as we would like. We hope all of you are doing well and

have great plans for the summer, We hope to see you on the dance floor in Arkansas, Louisiana, and the surrounding area.

Be sure that you are signed up for Nationals in Shreveport this month, and in Waco in 2026. They are going to be wonderful!

Yellow Rocks to you,

Tom and Kim Fox, ASSDF President, 2025



Emergency Call for Medical Aid

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A**

1. When a dancer goes down, a second dancer attends to him/her.
2. Remaining Dancers join hands and take a step backward. This will allow the injured person and attendant air and room.
3. Raise joined hands as high as possible in the form of an arch.
4. On seeing this signal, the caller or hall monitor will immediately place an emergency call for aid.

Note: If you send for medical help or an ambulance, be sure to put a "spotter" outside the building to help them find the location where they are needed.

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:

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



Thanks to everyone who attended the **ASSDF Delegates Meeting** and the **Twirling Lariats June Bug Jamboree Dance** on Saturday, May 31 with National Caller Tim Tyl. Next month features **The 3 Amigos 249, A Country, Hobby, Oh So Fine Dance**, on Saturday, July 5, 2025, at American Legion Post 128, at 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), with **Phil Moorehouse, Joey Duhamel, and Gene Gancarczyk**. We know Gene has been “under the weather” lately, and we hope he is doing much better soon. A flyer for that dance is elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** under **Upcoming Events**.

This is the final issue with info for the **74th National Square Dance Convention** ® in Shreveport, to be held on June 25-28, 2025, and that can be found elsewhere in this issue, as well as in **National Squares Online**. **Many thanks** to Phil and Melody Webb Moorehouse for all the info. Several **ASSDF Clubs** will be **DARK** during this time, and these are noted on the **ASSDF Website**. Before traveling to Shreveport, please join the Maverick Mixers for a **Trail-Thru Dance** on Saturday, June 21, at American Legion Post 128, at 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), with **Phil Moorehouse, Larry Marchese, and Tom Manning** calling. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, as well as on the **ASSDF website** for more info. As a side note, info for the **75th National Square Dance Convention** ® Diamond Jubilee in Waco, Texas will start with the July 2025 full e-Edition.

Speaking of diamonds, the **ASSDF 75th Diamond Jamboree Weekend** is set for Oct. 9-11 in White Hall, Arkansas. Fliers for the Trail End Dance on Oct. 9 and a registration form are elsewhere in this issue, and at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events> -- further info on the weekend will be in the full e-Edition, and on the **ASSDF website** as soon as possible. **NEW GRADUATES** since the **2024 ASSDF Fall Festival** get **FREE ADMISSION** to the **2025 ASSDF Fall Festival**, but they still need to register for the weekend. **HOTEL ROOMS ARE NEARLY SOLD OUT**, so book your reservations as soon as possible!!

Other special dances in Arkansas and adjacent/nearby states are noted in the **Special Events Calendar** elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website**. Please support your ASSDF clubs with a visit, and if you're traveling out of state this summer, please take flyers for the **ASSDF dances** with you to distribute. Before you travel to a dance either inside or outside Arkansas, **please call before you travel**, to make sure the dance/festival is still on...and if you have been ill, or feel ill on a dance night, or if bad weather is an issue, please stay home. With the summertime heat approaching, **take hot weather precautions**. These are located at <https://www.weather.gov/safety/heat> – and are in the Special Dances e-Edition. Of note, many clubs will go to casual attire during the summer or be **DARK** due to the hot weather. Be aware of the **Emergency Call For Medical Aid (ECMA)**...see the ad elsewhere in this issue for more info.

The **Pioneers** will dance **every Monday, starting June 2**. Also, we extend a **warm welcome** to the **Arky Cloggers** as our **newest ASSDF Club!!** Our own Lanita Hammett, Certified Clogging Instructor, is leading them. See the club data in the **ASSDF Clubs** listings elsewhere in this issue, or <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/clubs>. Speaking of **NEW**, the ASSDF has prepared a **New Dancer Manual** for **new or recent graduates**. See the ad elsewhere in this issue for more info. **Many thanks** to Mike and Ellen Lewis for preparing this document.

The Special Dance Photos from late **April** through **May, 2025**, downloadable at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square>, were from the emails, Facebook pages, as well as the club and special dances from **SquareDanceUSA**, the **Arky Cloggers**, **Maverick Mixers**, **River City Squares**, **Twirling Lariats**, **Heber Springers**, **Twirling Funtimers**, and the **Southern Swingers**. **Many thanks** go to Mike and Ellen Lewis, Mike and Lanita Hammett, Jody King, Daryl Stout, Carolyn Birdsong, Ginny Short, Carole Baker, Anieta England, Elaine Cox, and to Corben Geis for the 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.

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

Daryl Stout, Editor, Webmaster, Circulation Chairman

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)

2025 - June 25-28, 2025

74th NSDC Host City:
Shreveport, Louisiana

2026 - June 24-27, 2026

75th NSDC Host City:
Waco, Texas

2027 - June 23-26, 2027

76th NSDC Host City:
Loveland, Colorado

2028 - June 21-24, 2028

77th 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), 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.

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.

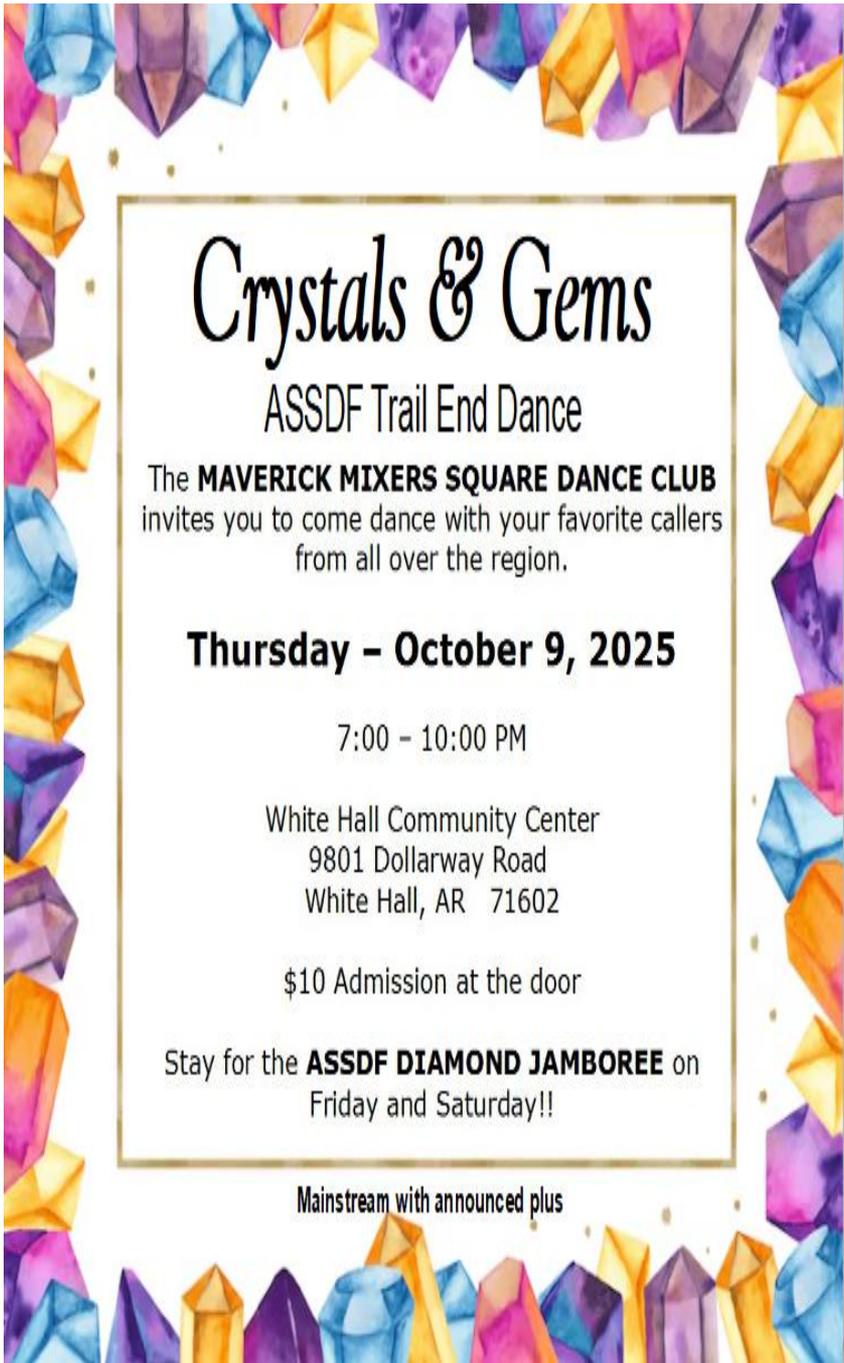
If emails to you are returned, due to your box being full/over quota, or the address isn't valid, you won't receive notices on Modern Square releases or ASSDF club updates, until you contact me with updated info. Please let me know if you no longer want these emails.

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



Crystals & Gems

ASSDF Trail End Dance

The **MAVERICK MIXERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB**
invites you to come dance with your favorite callers
from all over the region.

Thursday – October 9, 2025

7:00 – 10:00 PM

White Hall Community Center
9801 Dollarway Road
White Hall, AR 71602

\$10 Admission at the door

Stay for the **ASSDF DIAMOND JAMBOREE** on
Friday and Saturday!!

Mainstream with announced plus

Arkansas State Square Dance Federation
Fall Festival presents a 75th

Diamond Jamboree

White Hall Community Center

9801 Dollarway Road, White Hall, AR 71602

Friday, October 10, 2025 - Justin Russell
Saturday, October 11, 2025 - Charlie Robertson

Mainstream with announced Plus tips - Round Dancing

Justin
Russell



Arlington, TN



Charlie
Robertson

Sulphur, OK

Mail registration and payment to Lanita Hammett. 1533 Hwy 300, Houston, AR 72070-8307

Early registration must be postmarked by September 30, 2025 - Please ensure checks are payable to ASSDF

✂ Name(s) _____ Phone _____ ✂

Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Email _____ Club Name _____

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

Full Weekend (early Registration) \$30 x _____ = _____ Friday Only \$20 x _____ = _____

Full Weekend (after 10/1/2025) \$35 x _____ = _____ Saturday Only \$20 x _____ = _____

October 9, 2025 - Trail End Dance sponsored by the Maverick Mixers
7:00 to 10:00 PM \$10 at the door



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 information.



SOUTHERN SWINGERS TRAIL IN DANCE

**TUESDAY EVENING, JUNE 17, 2025
7:00-9:30 PM**

**Joey Duhamel calling
All Singing Calls**

**Promenade Hall
5400 Benton Rd.
Bossier City, LA**

\$8.00 per dancer, Spectators Free

For more information email sssquaredance@gmail.com or
check our Facebook page Southern Swingers Square Dancers

All Roads Lead to Shreveport!

Trail-Thru Dance to the 74th National Square Dance Convention[®]

Hosted by Maverick Mixers

Date: Saturday, June 21

Time: 7-10 p.m.

Location:

American Legion Hut

9925 Leah Ln

Mabelvale, AR

Entry:
\$10
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**TOM
MANNING**
Iowa

**LARRY
MARCHESE**
Colorado

**PHIL
MOOREHOUSE**
Arkansas

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Register for the NSDC: www.74NSDC.com

The Three Amigos USA 249, A Country, Hobby, Oh So Fine, Dance



Saturday, July 5, 2025 – American Legion Post 128

9925 Mann Road (Mann Road and Leah Lane)

Dance at 7pm -- \$10 per person

Callers: Phil Moorehouse, Gene Gancarczyk, Joey Duhamel

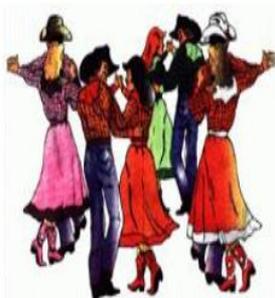
For more information, please contact:

Phil Moorehouse (501) 960-4476

Gene Gancarczyk (501) 767-6354

Joey Duhamel (870) 209-3646





*Come and learn to square dance with
Nelda Eaton - Caller/Instructor*

BEGINNER SQUARE DANCE LESSONS

LOCATION: Gary & Linda Carlile's Shop
(Located behind their home at #6 Cardinal Lane, Texarkana, TX)

Start Date: Monday, July 7, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

1st two lesson nights are free (July 7th and Jul 10th)

Lesson Cost: \$75.00

Pay \$5.00 per Lesson Night until Lesson Cost has been paid

or

Pay in full by Lesson Night 4 and receive a \$15.00 discount

or

**Pay half by Lesson Night 4 and the remaining half by Lesson Night 10 and
receive a \$10.00 discount**

For additional information contact Nelda Eaton, at 903-278-8068
or via email at EatonSDCaller@gmail.com.

NOTE: New beginner dancers will be accepted through Lesson Night 3.

Directions from Interstate 30:

Take the Leary Exit (Exit 213) and go south on FM 2253. At the Highway 82 intersection, turn east (left) on Highway 82. Go approximately 2 ½ miles and turn south (right) on FM 2148. Go approximately 2 miles and turn east (left) on County Road 1224A (Goldfinch). Pass Cardinal Lane and take the next driveway north (left). Follow the drive to the last shop on the right. (The driveway to the shop is off County Road 1224A or Goldfinch.)

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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 Jul thru Dec 2025

July 25

October 31

November 21

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

YIPPEE!! We Are

50!

TENNESSEE

**SQUARE & ROUND DANCE
CONVENTION**



JULY 31, AUG. 1 & 2, 2025

ROUNDS

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

**LIVE
BAND!!
WOOD
FLOORS!**



Tentative Schedule

THURSDAY

Trail-In Dance 8:00-11:00pm
2 Sq. Dance Halls
2 Dedicated Rd. Dance Halls

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

10:00am – 11:00pm
8 Halls of Dancing
*Live Band: Evening Hours



Specials

Contra
Singles Dance
Sewing Clinic
After Party
Fashion Show
Vendors



**W.L. Mills Conference Center
234 Airport Road
Gatlinburg, TN 37738**

**Facebook: TN Square &
Round Dance Convention**

<https://www.tnsquaredance.org/>

50th Tennessee State Square & Round Dance Convention

July 31, August 1 & 2, 2025

W.L. Mills Conference Center, Gatlinburg, Tennessee

234 Airport Road, 37738

Sponsored by the TN Assn. of Square and Round Dance Clubs, Inc.

Visit: www.tnsquaredance.org

Convention Contact: Dusty Disney 865-228-0561 dustycodesney@gmail.com

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

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

****If BOOKING LINK shown below, go to www.tnsquaredance.org/Convention/Hotels to click on LINK.**

Reagan Resorts Inn \$160 Reno/ Dbl/Qn room, \$210 Reno/King suite, \$180 Reno/King Jacuzzi 938 Parkway (1 Mn Wlk, 2 Mn Drv to CC) To book, call 865-436-5607, give Event Name 3 NCHT Minimum Breakfast, Wi-Fi, outdoor pool - balcony	Sidney James Mtn Lodge \$139 Dbl/Dbl, Dbl/Qn /King w/balcony. \$129 Courtside – Dbl/Qn 610 Historic Nature Trail *\$8 pn/pr Resort fee (12 Mn Wlk, 3 Mn, Drv. to CC) (To book, call 865-436-7851, give Event Name) Wi-Fi, refrig., in/outdoor pool, Cafe, pet friendly	Glenstone Lodge \$99 Thur. - \$139 Fr-Sat – 2 Qn 865-436-5656 (8 Mn Wlk, 2 Mn, Drv to CC) http://www.glenstonelodge.com BOOKING LINK Wi-Fi, Indoor/outdoor pool, restaurant, balcony
Black Bear Inn & Suites - \$145 Dbl/Qn or King* *\$180 King Suite** *\$15/night service fee) 1100 Parkway (1 Mn Wlk, 4 Mn, Drv to CC) 865-436-5656 www.blackbeargatlinburg.com (Rate Code 164095) Breakfast, Wi-Fi,	Edgewater Hotel \$136 Thur– \$146 Fr-Sat St. Rm 402 River Road www.edgewaterhotel.com (5 Mn Wlk, 4 Mn, Drv) To book call 865-436-4151, give name of Event Breakfast, Wi-Fi, indoor pool, balcony	EconoLodge Inn & Suites On the River 310 Cottage Dr. 865-436-5836 \$160 St, 2 Qn (To book, call 865-304-1309, give name Event) (5 ml Wlk/Drv to CC) Breakfast, Wi-Fi, Patio/Balcony, Pool
Gillette Motel \$180 2/Dbl, \$190 2/Qn, \$200-\$220, newly renovated Qn / King 235 Airport Rd. To book, call 865-436-5601, give Event Name (1 Mn Wlk, 1 Mn Drv. to CC) Wi-Fi, refrigerator, microwave, outdoor pool	Courtyard Downtown \$229 St 1 King / St Dbl/Qn 315 Airport Rd (2 Mn Wlk, 1 Mn Drv to CC) 865-436-2008 https://marriott.com/GTLCY BOOKING LINK	Park Place Condos 800-321-5798 / 865-436-6303 215 Str Mtn. Rd. (15 Mn Wlk, 5 Mn Drv) \$195 - 2 Bd Rm (\$60 1-time cing fee) \$285 - 3 Bd Rm (\$75 1-time cing fee) (Rate Code: SD2025) Full kitchen, Wi-Fi, pool, patio/balcony

NOTE: Some hotels have RATE CUT OFF dates, e.g 6-31-25

Please book early

Cash or check only, NO credit cards, please

CUT HERE & return with payment to Registration Chairman

Hampton Inn Historic Nature Trail - 520 Airport Rd 865-436-4933

Sng King/Sleeper Sofa Thur. \$139, Fr-Sat - \$169

Dbl Qn Thur. - \$149, Fr-Sat - \$179 (6 Mn Wlk, 2 Mn Dr)

www.Gatlinburghistoricnaturetrailhamptonbyhilton.com

BOOKING LINK (after 9/2024)

Write check to: 2025 TN State Convention

Early Registrations MUST be postmarked by July 1, 2025

TICKETS (PER PERSON) YOUTH 18 and under, FREE with an adult. # attending (please list below*)

Early Registration @ \$35.00 = \$ _____ Weekend after 7/11/25 @ \$40.00 = \$ _____

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The Southern Swingers
FALL DANCE EXTRAVAGANZA

Friday & Saturday, September 12 & 13, 2025

Arkansas

PHIL MOOREHOUSE



Louisiana

JOEY DUHAMEL



Texas

TIM TYL



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Friday 2:00 - 4:30 & 7:00 - 10:00

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

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 AREA IV, (Hot Springs, White Hall)

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 AREA V, (Little Rock, Benton)

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 AREA VI, (Judsonia, Rose Bud)

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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.

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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.

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). Please note that 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 – dances that have been **CANCELED**, or are in the past, have been **REMOVED** from this listing.

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

JUNE 2025

June 13, 2025 – Heber Springers Hawaiian Dance, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR.
Caller: Phil Moorehouse.

June 17, 2025 – Southern Swingers Trail In Dance, Bossier City, LA. **** All Singing Calls **** Caller: Joey Duhamel. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 21, 2025 – Trail Thru Dance to the 74th National Square Dance Convention ®. American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane, Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Callers: Phil Moorehouse, Larry Marchese, Tom Manning. **Sponsored by the Maverick Mixers Square Dance Club**. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 27, 2025 – The Heber Springers and the Levi's And Lace are DARK tonight.

June 28, 2025 – The Maverick Mixers are DARK tonight.

JULY 2025

July 4, 2025 – The Twirling Lariats are DARK tonight.

July 5, 2025 – The Three Amigos USA 249 A Country Hobby Oh So Fine Dance, American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Dance at 7pm. Callers: Phil Moorehouse, Gene Gancarczyk, Joey Duhamel. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, or on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

July 11, 2025 – Heber Springers Red White And Blue Dance, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Guest Caller: Greg Hatmaker

July 12, 2025 – Southern Swingers Special Dance, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl.

July 16, 2025 – Twirling Funtimers Special Dance, Lloyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview, AR. Dance at 6pm. Guest Caller: Monty Hackler.

July 25, 2025 – Louisiana Lagniappe at the Southern Swingers, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

AUGUST 2025

Aug. 9, 2025 – Southern Swingers Special Dance, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: TBA

Aug. 22, 2025 – Heber Springers Ice Cream Social Dance, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse.

SEPTEMBER 2025

Sep. 12, 2025 – Heber Springers Hillbilly Dance, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse.

Sep. 12-13, 2025 – Southern Swingers Fall Dance Extravaganza, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl. Callers: Phil Moorehouse, Joey Duhamel, and Tim Tyl. Cuer: Ken Vantiger. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

OCTOBER 2025

Oct. 9-11, 2025 – 75th ASSDF Diamond Jamboree Fall Festival, White Hall, AR. Sponsored by the Maverick Mixers.

Trail-End Dance Thursday, Oct. 9. Friday Night (Oct. 10)
Caller: Justin Russell. Saturday Night (Oct. 11) Caller: Charlie
Robertson. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the
ASSDF website for more info.

Oct. 10, 2025 – The Heber Springers and Levi's And Lace are
DARK tonight.

Oct. 11, 2025 – The Maverick Mixers are **DARK** tonight.

Oct. 24, 2025 – Heber Springers Halloween Dance. Rosebud
Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West. Dance at 7pm.
Caller: Dan Nordbye.

**Oct. 31, 2025 – Louisiana Lagniappe at the Southern
Swingers**, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer
elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more
info.

NOVEMBER 2025

Nov. 8, 2025 – Southern Swingers Special Dance, Promenade
Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl.

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
elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more
info.

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

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 – Southern Swingers Special 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 are DARK tonight.

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.

Non-ASSDF Special Dances and Festivals

JUNE 2025

June 5, 2025 – Roadrunners Pirates Of The Caribbean Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 6, 2025 – Kissin' Kuzzins It's Summertime Dance, Garland, TX. Caller: Mike Bramlett. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 6, 2025 – Triangle Squares Red White And Blue Dance, Denton, TX. Caller: Toby Thomason. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 6, 2025 – Texas Reelers Letter “K” 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.

June 6-7, 2025 – TSquare Gadabouts Under The Big Top Double Anniversary Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Callers: Buddy Weaver, Vernon Jones, and Melton Luttrell. Cuers: Jan Toms and Walter Brewer. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 6-7, 2025 – 71st Kansas State Dance Festival, Wichita, KS. Caller: Tim Tyl. Cuers: Kevin and Diane Denning. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 7, 2025 -- SunDancers Benefit Dance for the 75th NSDC, Georgetown, TX. Callers: Vernon Jones and Brad Caldwell. Cuers: Tricia Morley and Dennis Artz - Line Dance Leader: Billy Grimsley. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 7, 2025 – Rambling Roses National Chocolate Ice Cream Day Dance, Tyler, TX. Caller: Dennis Ray. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 12-15, 2025 – 63rd Annual Texas State Federation Promenade To Friendship Festival, Temple, TX. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 12, 2025 – Double Plus Double Deal Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Caller: Jeff Holley. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 13, 2025 – Pioneers Stepping Into Spring Dance, Weatherford, TX. Caller: Vernon Jones. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 13, 2025 – Stone Steppers Flag Day Dance, Garland, TX. Caller: Bill Hinkley. Cuer: Christine Hixson. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 13, 2025 – Swinging Stars Show Your Teams Color Dance, Richardson, TX. Caller: Charlie Robertson. Cuer: David Berling. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 14, 2025 – Circle I Sports Night Dance, Irving, TX. Caller: Charlie Robertson. Cuer: David Berling. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 14, 2025 – Wagon Wheel Squares Summer, Sunshine, and Lollipops Dance, Abilene, TX. Caller: Tracey Dowell. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 19, 2025 – Roadrunners Tie Dye Summer Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Caller: Mike Bramlett. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 20, 2025 – Texas Reelers 50th Anniversary Dance, Richardson, TX. Callers: The Siegmann Brothers. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 20, 2025 – Kaleidoscope Squares Special Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Caller: Vernon Jones. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 21, 2025 – Rebel Rousers Beach Party Dance, Richardson, TX. Caller: Mike Bramlett. Cuer: Christine Hixson. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 21, 2025 – Trailblazers Life’s A Picnic Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Guest Caller: Joey Duhamel. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 22, 2025 – Summer Fun Rounds, Fort Worth, TX. Phases II, III, and IV Cued by Area Instructors. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 25-28, 2025 – 74th National Square Dance Convention®, Shreveport, Louisiana. A Registration Form is elsewhere in this issue, on the **ASSDF website**, and at <https://74thnsdc.com>

June 27, 2025 – Fort Worth Squares Let’s Go Boating Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Caller: Charles Crockett. Cuer: David Berling. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

JULY 2025

July 9-12, 2025 – International Choreographed Ballroom Dance Association Convention, Springdale, AR. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

July 11-13, 2025 – Royal Rendezvous Plus and Advanced Weekend, Ardmore, OK. Callers: Tony Oxendine, Charlie Robertson, and Jet Roberts. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

July 11-13, 2025 – 25th Annual Route 66 Square Dance Jamboree, Elk City, OK. Callers: Bobb Willis, Jeff Holley, Darryl Lipscomb, Jimmy Gouge, Don Main, Tim Tanner, and Ray Savell. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

July 13, 2025 – NORTEX Roundup Kickoff Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Caller: Vernon Jones. Cuer: Karen Gloodt. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

July 19, 2025 – Rebel Rousers Christmas In July Dance, Richardson, TX. Caller: Mike Bramlett. Cuer: Christine Hixon. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

July 22, 2025 – Huntsville Promenaders Christmas In July Dance, Huntsville, TX. Caller: Dennis Ray. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

July 25-26, 2025 – Knoxville Jamboree Plus Advanced C1 Weekend, Knoxville, TN. Callers: Steve Kopman and Jet Roberts. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

July 26, 2025 – Northwest District Of Missouri Federation Of Square And Round Dance Clubs 29th District Dance, Kansas City, MO. Hosted by the B-N-R Squares. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

July 31 through Aug. 2, 2025 – Tennessee Yipee We Are 50 Square And Round Dance Convention, Gatlinburg, TN. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

AUGUST 2025

Aug. 7-9, 2025 – Heart Of America Singles Square Dance Association (HASSDA) 2025 Fall Festival, Emporia, KS. Trail-End Dance Aug. 7 – Caller: Curt Braffert – Cuer: Betty Skillett. Main Festival Aug. 8-9 – Callers: Mike Bramlett, Eric Henerlau, Curt Braffert. Cuers: Carolyn and Tony Ahart. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Aug. 17, 2025 – Summertime Afternoon Youth Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Caller: Ray Savell. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Aug. 17-21, 2025 – Eureka Springs Round Dance Vacation, Eureka Springs, AR. Cuers: Pamela and Jeff Johnson, plus Bill

and Beth Davenport. Round Dance Phases III, IV, V, and VI. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Aug. 28-31, 2025 – 29th Annual Weekend In Paris, Paris, TX. Callers: Darryl Lipscomb, Tony Oxendine, Buddy Weaver, Tim Tyl, and Jet Roberts. Cuers: David and Jan Toms. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

SEPTEMBER 2025

Sep. 19-21, 2025 – Brazos Bash, Waco, TX. Callers: Vernon Jones, Ken Burke, and Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Sep. 27, 2025 – Young At Heart Square And Line Dance Club Hawaiian Luau Dance, Mountain City, TN. Caller: Tony Oxendine. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

OCTOBER 2025

Oct. 4, 2025 – Log Cabin Swingers 50th Anniversary Dance, Tool, TX. Caller: Dan Nordbye. Cuer: David Berling. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Oct. 24-25, 2025 – NORTEX Roundup, Fort Worth, TX. Callers: Jack Pladdys and Vernon Jones. Cuer: Karen Glodt. 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. 30, 2025 – ETSRDA Toys For Tots Afternoon Dance, Mineola, TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. 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.

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 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 on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

JUNE 2026

June 24-27, 2026 – 75th National Square Dance Convention ®, Waco, Texas. More info, as well as a Registration Form are at <https://75nsdctx.com/> -- Promotion of the **75th NSDC** will begin with the July 2025 full e-Edition.

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

®, Location to be announced. The **Bid Session** for it will be held on Friday, June 27, 2025, at the **74th NSDC** in Shreveport, LA.

Club Reports

Note: There are **10** reports this month!! Thanks to everyone who posted items on Facebook or sent items in for publication. DS

Arky Cloggers

Hi! We are the **ARKY CLOGGERS**, and we are **happy** to be the newest member of the **Arkansas State Square Dance Federation**.

Many years ago, the terms clogging and square dancing were interchangeable. Over the years the activity has morphed into two distinct groups. Luckily for the **ARKY CLOGGERS**, there are some "hybrid" dancers that love to do both! (Kim Fox, Ellen Lewis, Karen Graves, Kim Deane) Lanita Hammett is also a "hybrid" dancer, who became the director of the clogging team that started in January of 2024. I was first introduced to clogging when the caller's taw, Rejina McKinney, demonstrated a few steps during a dance at the Perry County Promenaders in the early 1990s. She was only interested in teaching us a few steps just to do one song. We didn't have YouTube back then to be able to find endless sources of instruction. I didn't find an actual clogging instructor until 2005. I have loved clogging ever since. I started teaching beginner, intermediate and advanced clogging in 2021. In January of 2024 I started my own group, the **ARKY CLOGGERS**.

Our classes are every Tuesday night at 1490 South Donaghey Street in Conway. My "Boost" class starts at 3:30. The intermediate / advanced

dancers dance from 5:00 to 6:30. From 6:30 to 8:00, I have a beginners-from-scratch class.

The Spring has been extremely busy for the **ARKY CLOGGERS**. We have attended clogging workshops in Pocahtonas and Little Rock. We have had an active performance schedule as well. We have performed at the Wye Mountain Daffodil Festival (Bigelow), Toad Suck Daze (Conway) and Pioneer Village (Searcy). Several photos from our group at Toad Suck Daze and at Pioneer Days, are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

Coming up on June 7th, we will be enjoying the "Better When Ya Dance" clogging workshop in Bono, AR. Lanita will be an instructor here, too. She'll be teaching some songs using her own choreography as well as some of the songs off the **CLOG National Dance List**.

The BIG, BIG, BIG event right around the corner will be clogging at the **74th National Square Dance Convention (R)** in Shreveport. If you have ever attended a National Convention, you know that in addition to square dancing, there are also opportunities for round dancing, line dancing, contra dancing, and (you guessed it) clogging. I want to give a **GREAT BIG THANK YOU** to both Ted and Tonia Hofmeister, and the rest of the Gator team, for letting us have some time and floor space dedicated to clogging. I am thrilled that there will be 20+ hours of clogging in Shreveport. I have asked some fellow clogging instructors to help me teach there -- Brenda Jordan, Cathy Michaels and Stephanie Griffith all from Texas, Alice Havel from Kansas, and Cara Newton from Delaware.

If you are ever in Conway, feel free to drop in and join us some Tuesday. We would love to have you. Clogging and square dancing are for all ages. And, you are never too old to learn!

Lanita Hammett

Guys N Dolls

Some of our dancers traveled to Little Rock on May 31 to the Twirling Lariats June Bug Jamboree Dinner and Dance with National Caller Tim Tyl. A large number of photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

This is the month for the **74th National Square Dance Convention (R)** in Shreveport, and several dancers from our club, and around the region, have been working very hard to make this a convention to remember. Several items from National Squares Online can be found in the full e-Edition.

Our own Nelda Eaton will be starting Beginner Square Dance Lessons in July, at Gary and Linda Carlile's shop, behind their home at #6 Cardinal Lane, in Texarkana, TX. Lessons will start on Monday, July 7, at 7pm...and the first 2 lesson nights (July 7 and 10) are free. New beginner dancers will be accepted through Lesson Night 3. While the Guys N Dolls are not actually sponsoring the lessons, this is for anyone in the Arklatex Region wanting to learn to square dance. For additional information, please contact Nelda Eaton at (903) 278-8068, or via email to EatonSDCaller@gmail.com -- there is also a flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** under **LESSONS**.

We dance on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Plentiful Harvest Church, at 500 North Merrill, in New Boston, Texas...with Nelda Eaton as our caller. If you've never danced to her, you're in for a real treat. We hope to have you join us real soon.

Rhonda Bailey

Heber Springers

National Caller Tim Tyl, called our Cinco De Mayo Dance on May 9 - he then did the Southern Swingers Patriotic Dance in Bossier City on May 10. Then, several members travel danced to the Twirling Lariats June Bug Jamboree on May 31, to again dance to Tim Tyl. If you've never danced to him, you have missed a real treat!! Several photos from the Cinco De Mayo dance and the Twirling Lariats June Bug Jamboree Dinner and Dance are in the Special Dances e-Edition, including one of Regina Turner at the Cinco De Mayo Dance, who truly captured the atmosphere of the event. We had 2 squares of dancers, and a few extras in attendance at the Cinco De Mayo Dance.

This month, June 13 features our Hawaiian Dance, but we're **DARK** June 27, for the **74th National Square Dane Convention (R)** in Shreveport. Several dancers will travel to The Three Amigos 249 A Country Hobby Oh So Fine Dance on July 3, dancing to our own Phil

Moorehouse, joined by fellow callers Joey Duhamel, and Gene Gancarczyk. The following week, we'll have our own Red White and Blue Dance on July 11 with Greg Hatmaker.

With back to school time, August 22 will feature our ice cream social dance (hopefully, the hot weather won't melt the ice cream!!), with our Hillbilly Dance set for Sept. 12. For October, we're **DARK** on Oct. 10 for the **ASSDF 75th Diamond Jamboree** in White Hall, then National Caller Dan Nordbye will do our annual Halloween Dance on Oct. 24. Dan is another great caller to dance to, and you've missed a real treat, if you haven't danced to him.

Closing out the year, our Give Thanks Dance will be on Nov. 14, with our Christmas Dinner and dance on Dec. 12. We're **DARK** on Dec. 26, and may be **DARK** the day after Thanksgiving...watch this report, and our Facebook page for updates.

Please join us at the Rosebud Community Center, at 5916 Highway 36 in Rosebud, on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month, with Phil Moorehouse as our caller. Please check our Facebook page for any last-minute changes or cancellations.

Theresa Muth

Levi's And Lace

We appreciate all the guest callers filling in for our own Gene Gancarczyk. We are hoping and praying he can return to calling very soon. Next month, if Gene is better, he'll join fellow callers Phil Moorehouse and Joey Duhamel at The Three Amigos 249, A Country, Hobby, Oh So Fine, Dance on Saturday, July 5, at American Legion Post 128 in Little Rock.

A reminder that we are **DARK** on Friday, June 27, as several of our members will be at the **74th National Square Dance Convention (R)** in Shreveport, Louisiana. We dance at Lake Hamilton Cumberland Presbyterian Church at 2891 Airport Road, on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month. We hope to have you join us real soon.

Phyllis Keeney

Maverick Mixers

Our April 26 dance was a blast! Our own Lanita Hammett noted "I had already clogged all day at the workshop, but still found a little energy to stay for the square dance. The dancers from Cornerstone Dance Studio in Willow Springs, Missouri, stayed to square dance with us. The group also provided a high energy clogging demo. A great big shout-out to Lori Spencer Leichter, and her gang for staying. After the dance, they had a four hour drive back to Missouri. A big thank you to ALL of our visitors! ❤️". Unfortunately, the photos just missed the deadline for the May, 2025 Special Dances e-Edition, so they are in this month's issue of it.

We had 4 squares at our Halfway Hoedown on May 10, for our students in the class, who are doing remarkably well. We're looking forward to having them join the square dance world full time very soon. Erma Jean Carter brought her sister, Brenda, who used to be a member years ago. She hadn't danced in 16 years, but she did fine, and also line danced.

On May 18, we had our New Kids Block Party Dance, featuring some folks graduation from "calling class". From left to right in the photo in the Special Dances e-Edition are Patti Cummings, Roger Garner, Lanita Hammett, plus Blake and Amanda Throgmartin. We are excited and thrilled for folks looking to get into calling, and our own Phil Moorehouse will no doubt was a great teacher and inspiration to them.

Several dancers attended the Twirling Lariats June Bug Jamboree on May 31, with Carolyn Cullins' Scrumptious BBQ, followed by an always fun evening of dancing with National Caller Tim Tyl. It was so good to enjoy a fabulous evening of dancing, food, and fellowship, with our members, and those from other clubs. Our own Patti Cummings had her version of "Neon Moon" with her bright green outfit!! It was good to see our own Jerry and Ginny Short there, and while Ginny didn't dance, she did help yours truly get photos from the dance...and a large number of photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition. I didn't get a chance to dance, after "getting in a fight with a computer tower" the day before, and gashing my left arm. It was well bandaged, but that gave me an excuse to not dance, and get photos instead.

As noted last month, the Maverick Mixers are sponsoring a **Trail Thru Dance** to the **74th National Square Dance Convention (R)** at our regular dance place, American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), on June 21, 2025, at 7pm. Our own Phil Moorehouse will be joined by fellow callers Larry Marchese and Tom Manning. We hope you can join us for that dance...a flyer for that dance is elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** under **Upcoming Events**. Also, we'll be **DARK** on Saturday, June 28, for the **74th National Square Dance Convention (R)**...and we will also be **DARK** on Saturday, Oct. 11, for the **75th ASSDF Diamond Jamboree** in White Hall.

We normally dance on the 2nd, 4th, and selected 5th Saturdays, unless otherwise noted, at American Legion Post 128, at 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane). Until lessons conclude, they will be from 6:30pm to 7:30pm, then our regular dance is from 7:30pm to 9:30pm. Once lessons are done, we'll have a Workshop at 6:30pm, with our regular dance starting at 7pm. At both, our own Phil Moorehouse always calls a great dance.

Daryl Stout

Pioneers

We are **BACK** to dancing every Monday at 6:30pm, at the Ramada Inn on Highway 82 in Mountain Home. Note that we'll be **DARK** on September 1 for the Labor Day Holiday. We hope to see you in a square soon.

Becky Hestand

River City Squares

Nine River City Square Dancers visited the Talequah Square Dance Club, for a special Tribute Dance to Their Caller, Bob Loyd. What a nice crowd. Thanks to our dancers, and to Jim Floyd for helping to organize the group, and we stole their travel banner!! Seriously, we always enjoy dancing to Bob! Several photos from that dance are in the Special Dances e-Edition, with some videos on our Facebook page.

We were **DARK** on May 13, due to voting being done at our dance location. Please check our Facebook page for any last minute cancellations.

We were happy to welcome some visitors at our May 20 dance. Graham and Nicki Johnston, and their 4 sons (Gus, Mack, Henry, and Alexander). Three of the boys are dancers. They dance in the Kansas City area. Also visiting us were Bill and Sandy from Fort Smith. They had danced previously in Florida and the Oklahoma City area. They had been out of the activity for a while, so they watched and visited. We love having visitors and meeting new folks. Last night we also celebrated May Birthdays. Thanks to Patsy Burris for furnishing refreshments for us.

We plan to start lessons in early October...more information will be posted as the date gets closer...you check our Facebook page for updates.

We dance each Tuesday starting at 6:30pm at the Fort Smith Senior Center, at 2700 Cavanaugh Road, where our own Jay King always calls a great dance...we hope you'll join us soon!!

Jody King

Southern Swingers

Our May 2025 Patriotic Dance on May 10 with Tim Tyl was fantastic, with 2 squares in attendance. Several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition. Happy May Birthdays to Tom and Nathan...a picture of them is in the Special Dances e-Edition.

On Memorial Day, we had a club picnic, and a beanbag toss baseball game. Several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition, with a video of the winning team on our Facebook page.

We had a great time at our May 30 Louisiana Lagniappe Dance, with National Caller Tim Tyl. Several photos from the May 30 Louisiana Lagniappe Dance are in the Special Dances e-Edition. Some of our dancers traveled to the Twirling Lariats June Bug Jamboree Dinner and Dance in Little Rock on May 31, to once again dance to Tim Tyl, and over 70 photos from that dance are in the Special Dances e-

Edition. We won't have a Lagniappe Dance in June, due to the **74th National Square Dance Convention (R)** in Shreveport, but our future Louisiana Lagniappe Dances in 2025 will be on July 25, October 31, and November 21. A flyer for those is elsewhere in this issue, and also on the **ASSDF website** under **Upcoming Events**.

Speaking of the **74th National Square Dance Convention (R)**, it's just a few weeks away now, here in the Shreveport area. We've done a bunch of work to make it, as its slogan terms "The World's Greatest Square Dance Event". Several items from it are in the full e-Edition.

Next month, our July 12 Special Dance features Phil Moorehouse. We plan to have another special dance on August 9, but we don't know the caller just yet.

As autumn arrives, we'll have our Fall Dance Extravaganza on Sept. 12 and 13, with Tim Tyl, Phil Moorehouse, and Joey Duhamel...a flier is elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** under **Upcoming Events** with more info.

As the holidays approach, on November 8, our Thanksgiving Month dance features Tim Tyl, then we conclude the year on December 13 with our own Joey Duhamel calling our Christmas Dance. We hope to see you at one or more of these special dances.

We dance at Promenade Hall at 5400 Benton Road in Bossier City, Louisiana on Tuesdays, with special dances on selected Saturdays. We finished up our classes on Tuesdays, and our students are ready to dance at the 74th NSDC this month. A photo of the 8 students is in the Special Dances e-Edition. Our own Joey Duhamel has done a great job with the class, and always calls a great dance.

Carole Baker

Twirling Funtimers

Our May 19 Special Dance featured Phil Moorehouse, with "the favorite T-Shirt Dance". We had 3 squares, plus line dancing. Several photos from that dance are in the Special Dances e-Edition. (Editors Note: Having worked in silkscreen printing for nearly 20 years, I thought this was a neat idea for a dance. DS).

We had our Picnic Dance in the Park in Yellville on May 31, which was a casual way to start the summer. Speaking of summer, our summertime special on July 16 will feature Monty Hackler. Our own Loree Kant will have the flyer for the July Special Dance on the ASSDF website and in the full e-Edition as soon as possible. Kudos to Loree for her excellent work on the flyers.

We dance every Wednesday 6-8:30 pm, at the Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Lane, in Lakeview Arkansas. Follow us on Facebook at <https://www.Facebook.com/twirlingfuntimers>

Please note that we are **DARK** when schools are closed due to weather conditions, or if there is severe weather threatening the area. Any questions, please call Tom England at 870-404-4157. Lastly, with the end of year holidays, we'll be **DARK** on Nov. 26 for Thanksgiving, and **DARK** on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24.

Anieta England

Twirling Lariats

We are excited to **welcome Nelda Eaton as our new club caller**. Nelda also calls for the **Guys N Dolls ASSDF Club** in New Boston, TX, and she is a great caller to dance to.

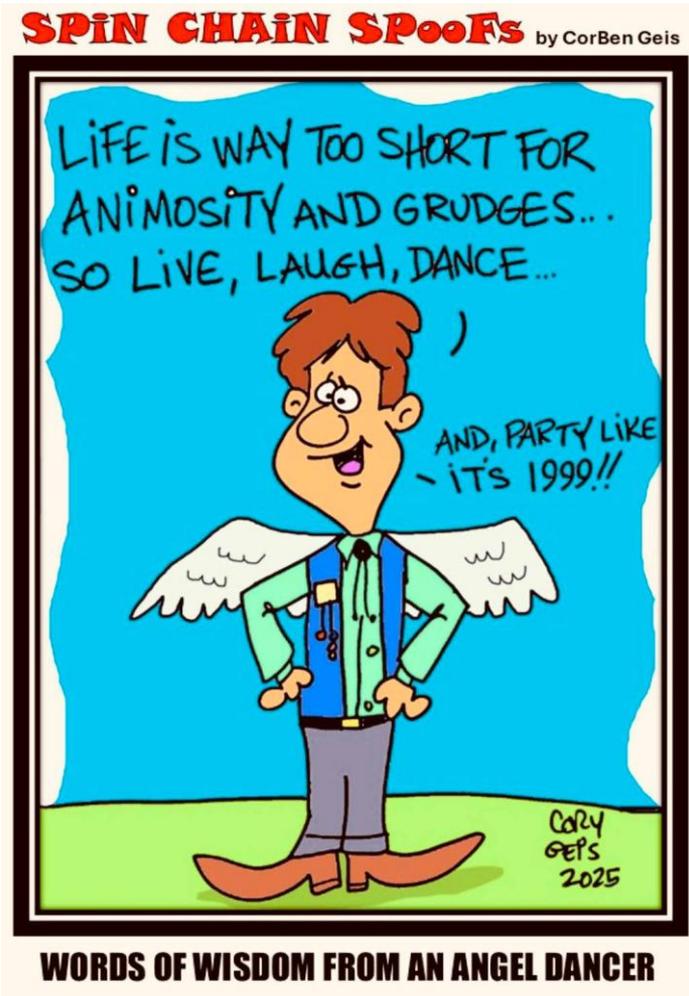
We had 4 squares at our June Bug Jamboree Dance on May 31. Along with Carolyn Cullins' scrumptious BBQ, we were treated to the always fantastic calling of National Caller Tim Tyl, and fellowship with dancers from several clubs, including the Arky Cloggers, Maverick Mixers, Guys N Dolls, Southern Swingers, Heber Springers, and Star Steppers. Over 70 photos from that dance are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

Next year, we plan to do a June Bug Dance again with Tim Tyl on May 30, 2026...but we may either just have a dance only...or add a potluck beforehand later. More details as soon as they become available, as we have plenty of time to decide on that...but we wanted to get the date on the calendar.

Thoughts and prayers to fellow dancer Martha Wyre, who has been battling pneumonia recently...and we remember our other dancers who've not been able to attend, due to health and other issues.

We dance at American Legion Post 128 at 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane) on the 1st, 3rd, and selected 5th Fridays, unless otherwise noted...we hope to have you join us soon!! Please check our Facebook page for any last-minute updates, changes, or cancellations.

Roger Garner





Is your club planning on doing **New Dancer Lessons** 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>

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Nelda Eaton will be starting lessons on July 7 in Texarkana, for those in the Arklatex region wanting to learn to square dance. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for info.

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The **River City Squares** plan to start lessons in early October, 2025. Further details will be posted as the class date gets closer.

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) 474-8500

Hot Springs

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

Lake Hamilton Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 2891 Airport
Road

Caller: Gene Gancarczyk

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

Judsonia

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

DANCING

Judsonia Community Center, 601 Judson Street

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

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

Lakeview

Twirling Funtimers – Wednesday, 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 – Every Monday (as of June, 2025), 6:30pm

DANCING

Ramada Inn, 1127 Highway 62 East

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



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
Home: (903) 628-2425 Cell: (903) 278-8068 M/P: Yes
Guys And Dolls, Twirling Lariats

Gancarczyk, Gene and Carolyn – 249 Songer Lane, Pearcy, AR 71964 (501) 767-6354 geneandcarolyn@sbcglobal.net P
Levi's And Lace

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 lnthmmtt13@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) 622-4902 --- Amanda – (501)
655-9767

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

Ward, Tommy – 347 Vineyard Street, Hot Springs, AR 71913
(501) 672-9403 tomlifetime@yahoo.com

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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Code	Hotel	Rate
1	Hilton Shreveport Hotel - Headquarters	\$169
2	Sara's Town - <i>Weekday Rate (Sunday - Thursday)</i> <i>Callier/Culer Hotel - <i>Weekend Rate (Friday - Saturday)</i></i>	\$115
3	Holiday Inn - Shreveport (3-minute - 0.7 mile)	\$145
4	Holiday Inn Express - Shreveport (3-minute - 0.7 mile)	\$115
5	Hampton Inn - Bossier (6-minute drive)	\$139
6	Hilton Garden Inn - Bossier (6-minute drive)	\$139
7	Homewood Suites - Bossier (6-minute drive)	\$169

Indicate choice of hotel preference by specifying number: #1 ___ #2 ___ #3 ___

Hotel assignments will be made in order of registration form received & according to availability. This form must be received, and rooms booked by March 1, 2025 for Sara's Town or May 1, 2025 for other hotels to guarantee 7-4th NSDC pricing.

Room nights needed: (4 Night Minimum)

S 6/21 S 6/22 M 6/23 T 6/24 W 6/25 T 6/26 F 6/27 S 6/28 S 6/29

Additional arrive early? ___ or stay late nights? ___ Total nights requested: ___

Room request: Single Double Queen King Handicapable

SHARED ROOMS - only one person per room should complete a hotel reservation request. Please list all room occupants here: _____

Housing Committee does not find or assign roommates.

BLOCK HOUSING: All Block Housing requests are due by July 15, 2024 and must be filled by Sept 15th. Includes the name, email, and phone number of Block Housing Leader.

Block Name _____

Block Leader Name _____

Phone _____

No airport shuttle services provided. See www.7nsdc.com for transportation information.

Register and submit your hotel room choice early (on the form or online) to have the best chance of having your selection available, and no later than May 1, 2025. A wedding and phone number to the hotel reservation system will be sent to attendees in the order that the forms are received.

Do you prefer email or text notification? Email ___ Text ___

Note that hotels will not take your reservation for our convention until July 1, 2024. The hotel will provide your confirmation number as you provide your credit card number to hold the room. **You must be registered for the convention with a registration number to receive the convention contracted rate.** No self or online registration is available for the contracted rate except through the wedding and phone number which will be provided by the convention Housing Vice-Chairman.

MAP OF HOTELS & CAMPGROUND SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER



RV & CAMPING ACCOMMODATIONS

Campground	Distance	Rate per Day
State Fair of Louisiana 3701 Hudson Street, Shreveport, LA 71109	4.5 miles / 9-minute drive	\$35.00

Each site is roughly the same size with full hookups including water and sewer with 30 or 50-amp electrical connections. 30 amp requested 50 amp requested.

Assignments will be made in the order of registration form received & according to availability to make sure we have plenty of 50-amp connections. This form must be received, and sites must be available to guarantee the 7-4th NSDC Pricing. We have over 200 sites available, so no issue on availability.

Site nights needed: (4 Night Minimum)

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Additional arrive early? ___ or stay late nights? ___ Total nights requested: ___

Buses Not Available. Parking Available at Convention Center \$5 per day (in/out).

GROUP CAMPING: requests must be received by January 2, 2025. Everyone that is part of the group must fill in Group Name and Group Leader Name. **To camp together, best to arrive together.**

Group Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Your confirmed campground may assess a one-night penalty fee for cancellations received less than 72 hours of arrival, including early departure. On-site registration available. All site reservations will be coordinated through RV & Camping Vice-Chairman with this form. For further information see web site: www.7nsdc.com

Registration deadlines for 74th NSDC

CONVENTION REGISTRATION HOURS

Tuesday, June 24	12 – 9 pm
Wednesday, June 25	10 – 9 pm
Thursday, June 26	9 – 9 pm
Friday, June 27	9 – 9 pm
Saturday, June 28	9 – 8 pm

LONG FORM: If you registered for the convention early using the Registration Short Form but have not completed the Registration Long Form, please do so now. The long form has additional information and purchase items such as the program book with daily schedules, cookbook, Dennis Swanberg show and special Cajun dinner tickets, etc. Be aware some items, including the keepsake program book and Cajun dinner tickets, are pre-purchase only.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS: If you have not made your hotel reservation, please do so as soon as possible in order to receive the

special convention rate. You are responsible for making your own hotel and camping reservation. Information gathered during the registration process is only for planning purposes. When you completed your Registration Long Form, you should have received an email with your selected hotel link to secure your room. Be aware many of the convention hotels are "sold out" or have limited availability. This does not mean there are no rooms available in Shreveport or Bossier City, just that special convention-rate rooms in select hotels may be sold out. See related page on Housing.

MAIL IN REGISTRATION DEADLINE: The last day to mail a 74th NSDC Registration Form is June 10 in order to allow time for postal delivery.

ONLINE REGISTRATION DEADLINE: The deadline to complete online registration for the 74th NSDC is Friday, June 20. After that date, registration will be available in person at the convention.

VOLUNTEERS: We need volunteers for two-hour shifts on each day to staff the front table stations handling registration and to help provide items that have been bought by the dancers. To volunteer, contact Registration and Housing Chairman Rhonda Bailey at rhondaw252@outlook.com.

IMPORTANT BADGE INFORMATION: If your preferred name for your badge differs from the formal name you entered on your Registration Long Form (ex. Cindy vs. Cynthia or Bob vs. Robert), email Cheryl Rush at peppercat2@gmail.com as soon as possible to request this change. No badge re-prints will be made at the convention unless it was an error made by registration committee members.

REGISTRATION STATIONS: Registration will be located on Level 1 of the Shreveport Convention Center at the bottom of the first set of escalators on the left side of the hall in front of the convention "ticket" booths. We will have stations with lines for New Registrations, Last Names A-Z, and Dance Leaders/Guests/Visitors.

There will be three tables manned by two volunteers each for general dancers. There will be one line for dance leaders, guests and visitors. You do not need your yellow ribbons to check in. Upon entering registration, look for the line that meets your status. Provide your name, receive your bag/packet, and sign for items received.

Badges will have pins attached and those who ordered magnets will have magnets, along with an alcohol wipe, in the packets so that you can put the magnet on the badge in position you prefer. Magnets will be available for purchase for new registrations. Name badges will be made for new on-site registrations only. As a reminder, no changes will be made to name badges for dancers unless the error was made by registration committee members. There will be pens and markers available for anyone wanting to add or make changes to their issued badge. See you in the Shreveport Convention Center, come Dance on the Wild Side!



It's time to get packing!

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www.74nsdc.com/register-online

Connect with our Facebook group for the latest news and events, just scan the QR Code and click on Join



For those still making travel plans to the 74th NSDC...

Allegiant Air has announced some additional non-stop flights to and from the **Shreveport Regional Airport** that might be a good option for some. You can go to www.flyshreveport.com or directly to **Allegiant Air** at <https://www.allegiantair.com>.

For those flying into Dallas, you can get a rental car, or ride **Amtrak**. While Amtrak doesn't come all the way into the Shreveport area, you will disembark in Longview to/from **The Texas Eagle**, and they'll put you on an air-conditioned **Thruway Bus** to the Shreveport Intermodal Terminal, which is 1.6 miles from the convention center. The Thruway Bus is ticketed at the same time the train ticket is booked.

To make your reservations with Amtrak, call 1-800-USA-RAIL (1-800-872-7245) or go to <https://www.amtrak.com/home.html>

For both, **purchase is required when reservations are made.**

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Weather and road construction information for Shreveport

Besides event schedules, hotel and travel information for the 74 National Square Dance Convention®, two other items of interest when making plans include weather and road construction updates.

WEATHER INFORMATION



Historical weather forecast for Shreveport, LA in June records average daily high temperatures of 87-91 degrees with daily low temperatures from 69-74 degrees. According to WeatherSpark.com, the daily chance of rain in June averages about 34 percent. Rainfall is often convective and brief. Thunderstorms occur most often in spring and summer months, with severe storms most frequently in spring. The National Weather Service states the summer months are consistently quite warm and humid, and any tropical cyclones are usually in the dissipating stages by the time they reach the Shreveport area, although rainfall accompanying these systems can be heavy at times.

For Shreveport weather, visit the National Weather Service Forecast Office in Shreveport, LA: <https://www.weather.gov/shv/>. For information from the National Hurricane Center, go to: <https://www.nhc.noaa.gov>.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Interstate-20 is undergoing a major rehabilitation project in Bossier and Caddo Parishes. This section of interstate services 70,000-100,000 vehicles per day. The project is in Phase 3 and the right lane will be closed in both directions to allow for new outside lanes and shoulders. This phase of construction will include reconstruction of one or more interchanges, according to the Louisiana.gov and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development. However, no two interchanges located next to each other will be closed at the same time.



For a current, weekly construction update go to:

https://wwwapps.dotd.la.gov/administration/public_info/projects/home.aspx?key=143. Scroll down below the project overview to access the weekly report “Current construction activities.”

For the latest traffic information and road conditions for Louisiana, go to <http://www.511LA.org>.

Please note that the links in the above photo are **NOT** clickable.

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

A Minor First Aid Station will be located inside the Shreveport Convention Center on the first floor in the main lobby on the west wall during the 74th NSDC. Please keep this information on hand in case of an emergency.

URGENT CARE/WALK-IN CLINICS



Ochsner LSU Health – Urgent Care

1641 E. 70th St. in Shreveport
(318) 626-0037

www.ochsnerlsuhs.org/locations/urgent-care-shreveport

Christus Health – Urgent Care

7045 Youree Dr. in Shreveport
(318) 681-6890

www.christushealth.org/locations/velocity-urgent-care-youree

Willis-Knighton Quick Care Urgent Centers

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Shreveport, LA 71103
(318) 675-5000

3.6 miles from Convention Center

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2600 Greenwood Road
Shreveport, LA 71103
(318) 212-4000

3.5 miles from Convention Center

1.1 mile from Fairgrounds Campgd.

Christus Highland Medical Center

1453 East Bert Kouns Industrial Loop
Shreveport, LA 71105
(318) 681-5443

10 miles from Convention Center

HOSPITALS – BOSSIER CITY

Willis-Knighton Bossier Health Center

2400 Hospital Drive
Bossier City, LA 71111
(318) 212-7500 or (318) 212-7510
7 miles from Convention Center

**FOR EMERGENCY
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9-1-1**

Christus Bossier Emergency Hospital

2531 Viking Drive
Bossier City, LA 71111
(318) 681-7000
7 miles from Convention Center

POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Shreveport Police Dept.

1239 Texas Street
Shreveport, LA 71101
(318) 673-7300
1.5 miles Convention Center

Bossier City Police Dept.

620 Benton Road
Bossier City, LA 71111
(318) 741-8611
2.7 miles from Convention Center

Shreveport Fire Department

263 Common St.
Shreveport, LA 71101
(318) 673-6655
1.1 miles from Convention Center

Wal-Mart Super Center

1125 Shreveport Barksdale Highway
Shreveport, LA 71105
(318) 861-9202
4.5 miles from Convention Center

PHARMACY

CVS Pharmacy

1540 N. Market St.
Shreveport, LA 71107
(310) 424-1429
1.9 miles from Convention Center

****There are several other pharmacy
locations around Shreveport-Bossier City*

Walgreen's Pharmacy

510 Kings Hwy.
Shreveport, LA 71104
(318) 424-0896
2.8 miles from Convention Center

VETERINARY

Caddo Animal Hospital, 3210 Hearne Ave., Shreveport, LA 71103, (318) 636-1534, 3.6 miles from Convention Center

Animal Emergency Clinic, 2421 Line Dr., Shreveport, LA 71104, (318) 227-2345, 2.8 miles from Convention Center

Valor Veterinary Hospital, 1701 Old Minden Rd. Suite 26, Bossier City, LA 71111, (318) 725-5990, Open 24/7

74th NSDC Planner: review safety, emergency information

General Chairman Ted Hofmeister and Vice Chairman for Security and First Aid Larry Leavitt have prepared a quick overview of safety and health information for attendees of the 74th National Square Dance Convention® to be held June 25-28, 2025 in the Shreveport Convention Center (SCC). Review the safety reminders, and keep the following list of health contacts for reference.

•**Bag searches and wanding** - Bag searches will be conducted by the convention center's uniformed security staff. Leave your bags in your room or carry a clear bag to expedite the process. Allow extra time for searches when arriving for events. Additional personnel will be on hand during the NSDC to aid with bag checks. Everyone entering the building will be wanded.

•**Entrances** – Due to security, there will be two primary entrances to the Shreveport Convention Center. One can enter at the main entrance at 400 Caddo St. on Level 1 and at the skybridge from the attached parking deck to the center on Level 2.

•**No-carry zone** – Louisiana is an open-carry state, but there are exceptions, including the Shreveport Convention Center. Even if you have a concealed carry permit, guns are **not** allowed in the SCC. If you do travel with a weapon, have a secure place to store your gun outside the SCC.

•**Prohibited items in Convention Center** - The SCC security staff may refuse entry to patrons or eject them for possession of prohibited items and or violations of building policy. Prohibited items include, but are not limited to, weapons of any type, illegal drugs, fireworks, laser pointers, e-cigarettes/vapes (prohibited use inside facility), helium balloons, unauthorized noise makers, pets, drones, skates/skateboards, segways/hoverboards, coolers, glass containers, outside food and beverages. Pocket knives and scissors will not be allowed. Scissors will be available in Sew and Save on Level 2 for any repairs.

•**Minor first aid assistance** - A First Aid Station will be located inside the Shreveport Convention Center on the first floor in the main lobby at the west wall for non-emergency assistance. The First Aid Station will be open any time dancers are in the convention center and supervised by volunteers with Band Aids, antibacterial ointment, etc. Individual packets of aspirin, ibuprofen, antacids and basic supplies for self-medication will be available for purchase.

•**Serious medical emergency** – Call 9-1-1 and then find NSDC security officers or convention staff. A medical office will be located during the convention near the back loading dock.

•**In case of a medical incident** - If you have a fall, medical need or other incident, make sure to fill out a report for your protection, even if you feel the incident or injury is minor. A report may be needed by your insurance company, especially if you develop problems later. This is for your protection.

•**In case of fire or evacuation** - An announcement will be made from the SCC's Security or Headquarters in case of any evacuation advising everyone to proceed to the nearest exit. Emergency exits are clearly marked. Do not use elevators for emergency exits. SCC personnel will be placed on all concourse levels to assist in directing and helping individuals. Unless announced otherwise, attendees will be asked to report to the grassy lot in front of the RSA Tower near the railroad tracks at the corner of Water and Dauphin streets. Personnel will also be on hand outside to provide directions.

•**Weather-related emergency** – In case of a weather emergency, the SCC's Security and Headquarters will decide upon the appropriate action based on the weather warning. Security and SCC Staff will be placed on all levels to direct patrons to safety until an "all clear" is issued.

•**Important documents** – Documents you might consider bringing with you to the NSDC include your identification, insurance card, list of current medications and allergies, medical history and contact person(s). Make sure someone in your travel group knows where to find your information in case of emergency.

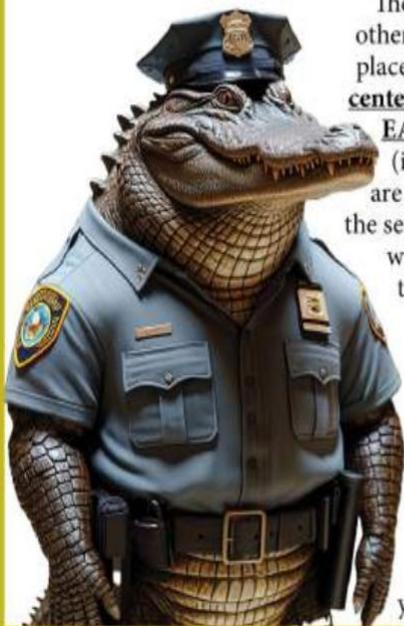
Emergency call for medical aid on the dance floor

If you or another dancer fall ill during a square dance and cannot get off the dance floor, the following steps can help summon aid quicker and reduce the risk of further serious injury.

1. When a dancer goes down, one other dancer in the square will attend to the injured dancer.
 2. The other dancers will back up in a circle to give the injured and the attending dancer room and air.
 3. The circled dancers will lift their hands into an arch, known as the Emergency Call for Medical Aid (ECMA) formation.
 4. Upon seeing this, the caller or hall monitor will place an ECMA to summon a first responder. If this does not occur, a dancer should hurry to the stage to alert the caller, or those in charge, so the proper authorities can be summoned as quickly as possible.
- If you suddenly feel nauseated, etc. get out of the square and to a restroom as fast as possible. Your fellow dancers will understand. Although we do not like to think about it, everyone needs to be prepared to deal with an emergency situation, should one develop.

(Source: United Square Dancers of America and multiple dance sites)

Security measures will be in place during 74th NSDC



The Shreveport Convention Center, like other large venues, has safety measures in place. **Everyone entering the convention center will be wanded and bags searched EACH TIME you enter** as no weapons (including pocket knives and scissors) are allowed. Plan on a little extra time at the security checkpoint stations, clear bags will expedite the process. There will be two (2) entrance stations available for your convenience. The first will be located on the first floor inside the main entrance just past the rotunda near the escalators. The second will be located on the second floor at the entrance from the skywalk. **Please remember the convention center is also a no-carry zone.** Any weapons will be confiscated. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation.



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1162 Kelliwood Dr, Shreveport
Mon - Fri 8 am - 5 pm, Closed Sat/Sun
Emergency after hours calls only

Camping World

(888) 629-6623

3625 Industrial Drive at I-20, Bossier City
Mon-Fri 9 am - 6 pm
Sat 9: am - 6 pm, Closed Sun

Bayou Outdoor RV Service

(318) 629-2628

1025 Central Park Dr, Bossier City
Mon - Fri: 8:30 am - 5 pm
Sat 8:30 am - 12 noon, Closed Sun

M & M Trailer

(318) 353-4890

6674 Hwy 1 North, Shreveport
M - F 8 am - 5 pm, Closed Sat/Sun
Emergency after hours calls only



FOOD/GROCERY STORES

Walmart Neighborhood Market

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4000 Barksdale Blvd, Bossier City
7.5 miles from Fairground
6.4 miles from Convention Center

Walmart Super Center

(318) 688-7700, Daily 6 am - 11 pm
623 Westport Ave, Shreveport
7 miles from Fairgrounds
10 miles from Convention Center

Walmart Super Center

(318) 861-9202
1125 Shreveport Barksdale Hwy, Shreveport
Daily 6 am - 11 pm with Gas Station
4.5 miles from Convention Center
8.5 miles from Fairgrounds



Brookshires

(318) 424-0853, Daily 7 am - 10 pm
510 Kings Hwy, Shreveport
6 miles from Fairgrounds
4 miles from Convention center

Whole Food Market

(318) 462-9895, Daily 8 am - 9 pm
1380 E 70th St, Shreveport
6.5 miles from Convention Center
7.5 miles from Fairgrounds

United Liquor & Food Mart

(318) 221-8867, Daily 7 am - 4 pm
800 Pierre Ave, Shreveport
1.4 miles from Convention Center
3.0 miles from Fairgrounds

Pull Up Liquor & Daiquiri

(318) 671-4445, Daily 9 am - 12 pm
5619 Heame Ave, Shreveport
1 mile from Fairgrounds
5 miles from Convention Center

Convention veterans provide packing and arrival tips

It's your first time to attend the National Square Dance Convention®, you've registered, made your hotel and travel arrangements, but what do you do now? You've got an empty suitcase and no idea what to pack. Look no further than the friendly dancers attending the 74th NSDC in Shreveport. They've been active in our Facebook group and provided some useful tips to help get you packing and to know what to do when you arrive at the Shreveport Convention Center.

Our Facebook family was asked: If giving advice to someone attending the NSDC for the first time, what do you need to do upon arrival? And what items are an absolute must for your packing list? We'd like to hear from both women and men. Here's some of their responses to help get you working on that to do list.

Sally Henderson – Ibuprofen! Two or three pairs of shoes that you can dance in and swap them out. Portable charger. When you're in a square, they don't take breaks! You may need to use a polite excuse if you're tired or not enjoying that particular square.

Marilyn Rand Schmit – One petticoat that can be shrink wrapped and worn with more than one outfit. Paperwork for hotels, flights in carry on, fully charged phone and charger handy if used on the plane, badge from home club or Federation, scheduled times for seminars, tours, eating, etc.

Bonnie Koryiak-Anderson – You can also put your petticoat in a pillowcase, but if flying shrink wrap is super smart!

Bobby Parker, Kurly Q's, Odenville, AL – Comfortable shoes, go straight to registration table find your alphabet and get your badges! Check everything on your badge to make sure it's correct. I also agree with everything else that has been mentioned. Pace yourself on the dancing and enjoy all the tours you can! It's a vacation on steroids!

Sandi Silva – I suggest you purchase ahead of time the program book that comes with the small pocket size daily schedules. They are printed by basically from the long form orders on that item, very few are left over to be purchased at the registration table. Get a long form and pre-purchase it, so handy to have the small daily as they are not sold separately but with the large program book. Pre-order to be safe. Hope to meet you at the Registration table – see you then and say “hi.”

Mary Ann Howard – Band-Aids, cool clothes and please have an emergency number and directions if not with family. Also have a way to carry items you may need as you do not want to sit a purse down to dance.

DeDe Denise Howard, Oklahoma – Before you go: Comfortable shoes are number one! Comfortable clothes are second! Dressy clothes for evening dancing if you wish. You are going to walk and or dance a lot, so comfort is important. A small backpack or bag to carry shoes



changes or other items. Pack little shareable stickers or dangles or other cute nicknacks from your home state to give to your new friends in your squares, you may find some that like to trade you for them. We also like to carry business cards with our local club information to give out. Make sure to have a camera or room on your phone for pictures. Please order your program book ahead of time. It will come in very handy to plan out a schedule for all the activities, so you don't miss anything. It will also help so you don't get over tired. Once you are there: After stopping at the registration center get your badges and pick up your program book. Check out the location for the halls with levels of dance you want to do. Mark off the times for any of the exhibitions that you want to watch. Check out some of the different activities that might not be available in your area such as hex dancing or maybe round dancing, or etc. Plan some time to check out the city you are in also, as that helps support our conventions. Don't forget to smile and have fun. Strike up a conversation with your new friends or callers.

John Harden – Bring cash and credit cards. There will be things you want... anything from square dance clothes and dance shoes (and often sale and clearance items with the vendors that can save a pretty penny) to badges and dangles, accessories (both useful and fun) to souvenirs. That first convention will be memorable like you wouldn't believe! Also, bring a notebook to collect names and contact info, a camera (I know, we all have them on our phones these days), and a calendar so that you can track things you want to do later. For ladies, I highly recommend a fanny pack or waist pouch, something that will move comfortably with you and stay close during vigorous dancing! Finally, bring your sense of adventure... you will have a blast!

Jim Green – Personally, I bring along more than just one pair of dancing shoes (if you have more than one pair).

Cathy Kaiser, I'm from Helena, MT, Helena Last Chance Squares - We brought casual skirts, shorts for daytime and good walking shoes because the facility we went to for USA West could not handle the meals for all that stayed there so we walked for our meals.

Elizabeth Johnson Nolen, Kurly Q's & Gadsden Twirlers, Alabama – Lots of good information already posted, I'd like to add: Epsom salts (for soaking feet and body), super glue, eye glass repair kit, band aids, sunscreen and bug repellent if tours take you outdoors.

Clifford A. Reiss – The Florida Federation of Square & Round Dancers has an excellent "First Convention" guide that was recently published – it is available on the Federation website and should be helpful. You can access the website at www.floridasquaredance.com and scroll down to the Guide or access the guide directly at this link: https://www.dancergram.com/aa-floridasquaredance.com/documents/First_Convention.pdf?fbclid=IwY2xjawJiwwhleHRuA2FlbQIxMAABHpinyiD515x_7WrHGXXZqbq7oaJDHpnvnOm0TJCQTSanZykgB1JSSD5IxdxjG_aem_C9oTiSmG_3BFEgmfcAG4VA.

David Williams – Bring a smile!

Looking for information on dance schedules, The Ghost Riders Square Dance Band, Last Square Standing Competition, a list of dance leaders and clinicians participating in the 74th NSDC? Look no further, we have some details gathered up for you on the following pages to assist you in making plans for Shreveport!

**Square dance and line dance schedules were not yet available*

** Please note that the links in the above ad are **NOT** clickable. **



ONCE YOU ARRIVE IN SHREVEPORT

There are several transportation options to get you to and from the Shreveport Regional Airport, as well as around the Shreveport-Bossier City area June 25-28, 2025 while at the 74th National Square Dance Convention® in the Shreveport Convention Center (SCC).

The convention's Shreveport Hilton Downtown has a shuttle service available for registered guests. When you arrive at the regional airport, you should call (318) 698-0900 for shuttle service. If shuttle service is not immediately available, you have options of Uber, Lyft and local taxis.

No other hotel offers shuttle services at this time.

Uber and Lyft are both phone apps that you download and then use to order service. Rides normally cost between \$20-\$30. They are an option if you don't have your personal vehicle.

Shreveport Yellow Checker Cab (the only taxi company) is located right outside the regional airport doors. They are available 24/7 and run between \$23-\$35, depending on your destination. If you need to call a taxi to get around while you are at the convention, the number is (318) 425-7000.

Shreveport also operates public bus transportation. All SporTran and SporTran OnDemand services are free through 2025 within the Shreveport-Bossier City limits. OnDemand service is for ADA and mobility riders. To access schedules and maps, go to www.sportran.org. Most daytime routes run from 5:45 a.m. until 5:45 p.m. Nighttime routes are not the same as day routes so make sure to check schedules. For information, call (318) 221-RIDE (7433) between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

PARKING DETAILS

If you are driving a rental car or your personal vehicle, parking is available in the multi-level Shreveport Convention Center Garage attached to the SCC via an elevated, covered walkway for \$4 per day (with in/out privileges). The SCC garage is located at 198 Market St. There are other parking garages nearby with various rates. Be aware there is a limited height restriction of 7 feet. Additional pay-as-you-go outside parking lots are also in the vicinity. If you are staying at Sam's Town Hotel & Casino, they have 1,200 free parking spaces.



Wondering how you can make purchases in the Shreveport Convention Center?

We've got the information for you!

- The Shreveport Convention Center (SCC) accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover cards for food and the attached parking garage. If you do not have a credit or debit card, you can buy Visa, MasterCard or American Express gift cards in advance.
- Convention concessions will have at least one register that will accept cash, in addition to credit/debit cards.
- The SCC also accepts Tap-to-Pay options from smart phones, if you have it enabled on your phone and/or credit card.
- The 74th NSDC Vendors and Ways & Means will be able to accept both cash or credit/debit cards for your convenience.
- The chargeFuze electronic device charging kiosks inside the convention center accept payment via the chargeFuze app on your mobile device. Some stations may allow you to initiate rental of a portable charging device by inserting any major payment card.
- **Cash tip:** Remember to bring a little more cash than you might expect to use. For example, if you plan to attend the KICK START Dance on Tuesday, June 24 in the Shreveport Convention Center from 8-10 p.m. there is a \$15 per person entry fee. This special dance features national callers Tony Oxendine, Jack Pladdys, Jet Roberts and Ted Lizotte. You may need additional cash for various sundries you had not considered during the convention, so be prepared.



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June 25-28, 2025

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Non-Dancing Visitors

are welcome at the 74th National Square Dance Convention® at the Shreveport Convention Center

June 25-28, 2025

All attendees at the 74th NSDC must wear a Convention Badge for admission. Visitors are welcome, must check in at Registration Booth to receive a badge for entry. All persons need a badge for security purposes.

Please be aware all bags will be searched and all persons will be wanded by security.

Registration Booth Hours:

Tuesday, June 24	12-9 pm
Wednesday, June 25	10-9 pm
Thursday, June 26	9-9 pm
Friday, June 27	9-9 pm
Saturday, June 28	9-8 pm

Registration is located at bottom of first set of escalators on Level 1 of the Shreveport Convention Center, 400 Caddo St.

NO CHARGE FOR OBSERVERS!

74th NSDC Planner: Basic facilities

The 74th National Square Dance Convention® will be held June 25-28, 2025 at the Shreveport Convention Center. You can register online at www.74thNSDC.com until June 20, or there is a Registration Long Form included in this issue of *National Squares* to print, fill out, and mail in until June 10. You must submit a Registration Long Form in order for your registration to be finalized. The Registration Long Form is the one on which you indicate your lodging and order convention materials. Below is basic information for planning purposes. Refer to the 74th NSDC's daily schedules or mobile app for the most up-to-date information.

CONVENTION CENTER: The state-of-the-art Shreveport Convention Center, located at 400 Caddo St. in Shreveport, LA, includes more than 350,000 square feet of multipurpose meeting space. The adjacent 4-story parking garage, with 800 spaces, is connected to the center via an elevated, covered walkway. The convention center complex includes a marshalling yard and exhibitor parking.

AREA PARKING: Parking at the multi-level garage attached to the convention center is \$4 per day (with in/out privileges). There are 800 parking spaces, be aware the parking gates do not accept cash so you will need a debit or credit card. There are several parking garages in the vicinity of the convention center. There is a limited height restriction of 7 feet. There are also some pay-as-you-go outside parking lots in the area.

ON-SITE DINING: The Shreveport Convention Center has prepared numerous meal options and two concession areas for your convenience. The concession areas are located on Level 1 in the back of the primary dance/exhibit halls. There will be alternate dining locations on both levels of the convention center. In addition, the Coffee Talk Café, which includes favorites from Starbucks, is located in the lobby between the convention center and the Hilton Shreveport Hotel, which will provide dining opportunities at Market 104 and River & Rye.

REGISTRATION PACKET PICK-UP LOCATION: Dancer registration packet pick-up and tours information will be located on the first floor of the Shreveport Convention Center in the Pre-Function Area (Lobby) adjacent to Caddo Street. Signs will direct you to the Registration area.

DANCE HALLS: We will have 10 primary dance halls. Be aware some halls may be used as limited multiuse areas so check your schedules upon arrival at the convention. Refer to the convention center's "Spaces" map in this edition for locations.

CONVENTION ACTIVITIES: All dancing, education rooms, vendors, Showcase of Ideas and 74th NSDC events will be in the Shreveport Convention Center, with the exception of campground activities, tours and the GSI Callers School. Our auditorium will be in Exhibit Hall 2 on Level 1, which will be the location of the opening and closing ceremonies, fashion show, bid session, USDA meeting on Wednesday, the organizational roundtable, keynote speaker, exhibitions and clogging. The Wednesday night special event with comedian and TV host Dennis Swanberg will also be in the auditorium in Exhibit Hall 2 on Level 1. The Cajun Dinner on Wednesday night for those who purchase tickets will be upstairs on Level 2. The Ghost Riders Square Dance Band will be performing live in Exhibit Hall 3 on Level 1. The GSI Callers School will be located at Sam's Town.

GETTING AROUND: Public transit is available as well as taxi and ride share options such as Lyft and Uber. There will be on-site food concessions and there are several restaurant options within walking distance of the SCC. See related information on public transit in this edition.

GETTING HERE: Shreveport and its sister city of Bossier City are part of the Ark-La-Tex area in the northwest corner of Louisiana. Shreveport is approximately 30 miles from both Texas and Arkansas and is located at the intersection of Interstate-20 and I-49 for easy car travel. The mid-sized Shreveport Regional Airport, which is 7.4 miles from the convention center, is serviced by American, Delta and United Airlines. Be aware no airport shuttle services are provided, except to the Shreveport Hilton. One might also consider flying into Dallas, headquarters for Southwest Airlines. One can travel from Dallas to Shreveport via rental car or Amtrak. The Shreveport Intermodal Terminal is 1.6 miles by taxi or ride-share such as Uber to the convention center, Hilton Shreveport and Sam's Town. The Amtrak Texas Eagle does not travel all the way to Shreveport. You disembark in Longview, TX, and an Amtrak motorcoach drives you from Longview to Shreveport at no additional cost. There is only one train per day either direction so make air reservations accordingly.

TOURS: To view convention tour options, go to www.74NSDC.com/tours. One can click the button "Join Us" located underneath the brochure to go to reservations, or use the direct link: <https://74nsdc.cloudreg.us>. For more information, email Tours74NSDC@gmail.com. One can also visit the Tours Booth during the convention to check on availability.

HOTELS: Make sure to book your hotel through the convention to get the special convention rate. Once you complete a Registration Long Form, you will receive a link to finalize your lodging. Please complete your lodging reservation as soon as possible in order to receive special convention rates. Links to hotels are included in this edition. Be aware the Hilton Shreveport Hotel is "sold out" with a waitlist and is the only hotel attached to the convention center. There are six other area hotels offering special convention rates. Sam's Town, about a 10-minute walk from the convention center, is the official caller and cuer hotel. Rates are \$115 Sunday-Thursday and \$145 for Friday-Saturday nights. The Holiday Inn Shreveport, located 0.7 miles from the convention center, is \$115 per night as is the Holiday Inn Express. A short 6-minute drive away are the Hampton Inn and the Hilton Garden Inn, both in Bossier City at a rate of \$139, and Homewood Suites, also in Bossier City, at \$169. See hotel links elsewhere in this edition.

RV AND CAMPING: Camping accommodations are available at the State Fairgrounds of Louisiana, located at 3701 Hudson St. in Shreveport. Each site is roughly the same size with full hookups, including water and sewer with 30 or 50-amp connections. The 200-site campground is 4.6 miles from the convention. There is currently no bus shuttle service to the convention center. Parking is available at the convention center for \$4 per day (in/out). There is a height restriction of 7 feet. The 74th NSDC has rented the campground's air-conditioned hospitality building for our NSDC campers to have a place to meet, socialize and for nightly After Parties. There will be a message board inside the hospitality building to arrange for carpooling, if desired, and for posting general information.

We invite you to help us celebrate
National Square Dance Days

June 25-28, 2025 at the 74th NSDC

A special Thank You to Shreveport Mayor Tom Arceneaux for this Proclamation!

Office of The Mayor
Shreveport, Louisiana

TOM ARCEAUX
MAYOR



505 TRAVIS STREET, SUITE 200
SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA 71101
(318) 673-5050

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the 74th National Square Dance Convention® will be held June 25-28, 2025, in Shreveport, Louisiana, at the Shreveport Convention Center; and

WHEREAS, the largest annual square dance convention of its kind since its inception in 1952, the event moves from state to state around the country and was last held in the State of Louisiana in 1971 in the City of New Orleans; and

WHEREAS, the convention includes dancers from across the United States and internationally, representing forty-six (46) states and six (6) countries, including Australia, Belize, Canada, China, Germany and the Netherlands; and

WHEREAS, the National Square Dance Convention® also includes other types of dance, including Contra, Clogging, Round, and Line dancing; and

NOW, THEREFORE I, Tom Arceneaux, Mayor of the City of Shreveport, do hereby proclaim June 25-28, 2025, as

National Square Dance Days

In the City of Shreveport and, with our citizens, proudly acknowledge that Square Dance is the official dance of the State of Louisiana and welcome all dancers to the beauty and hospitality of the area.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed.



Tom Arceneaux
Tom Arceneaux
MAYOR

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CALLER SCHOOL WILL BE @ SAM'S TOWN CASINO 315 Clyde Fant Parkway, Shreveport, LA 71101



Sunday, June 22nd, Noon — Wednesday, June 25th, Noon 2025

Sign up for the Caller School now at www.gscallerschool.com

Email: Tony@TonyOxendine.com for more info. Do it now!

Note that the **Experience New Orleans Tour** from June 22-25, and the **Friday Night Bowling After Party** have been **CANCELED**.

74th National Square Dance Convention® Key Events

*Important planning dates for the 74th NSDC, June 25-28, Shreveport, LA

JUNE 22-25

GSI/NSDC Caller's School 12 p.m., June 22-June 25** Sam's Town Hotel & Casino

TUESDAY, JUNE 24

Registration Opens	12-9 p.m.	SCC Lobby
Tour Booth Open	12-4 p.m.	SCC Center Lobby
Trail End Dance	8-10 p.m.	SCC Exhibit Hall 1

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

Tour Booth Open	8 a.m.-4 p.m.	SCC Center Lobby
Historic Natchitoches Tour	8 a.m.-5 p.m.	Natchitoches/Meet by Tour Booth
Shreveport City Tour	9-11 a.m.	Shreveport/Meet by Tour Booth
Registration Open	10 a.m.-9 p.m.	SCC Lobby
Gator & Friends Tour	10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.	Greenwood/Meet by Tour Booth
Shreveport City Tour	11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	Shreveport/Meet by Tour Booth
USDA Annual Meeting	12-4 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 2 (Auditorium)
Hospitality Rooms	12-10 p.m.	Various Locations, TBA
Cajun Dinner (ticket required) – Jelvis™ Concert	4:30-5:50 p.m.	Level 2, Ballroom C&D
Comedian/Motivational Speaker Dennis Swanberg	6-7 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 2 (Auditorium)
Opening Ceremonies/Media Recognition Event	7:30-8 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 2 (Auditorium)
Trail End Dances/Ghost Riders Band	8-10 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 3
Campground After Party	10 p.m.-midnight	State Fairgrounds RV Park

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

Tour Booth Open	8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.	SCC Lobby
Historic Natchitoches Tour	8 a.m.-5 p.m.	Natchitoches/Meet by Tour Booth
Down on the Farm Tour	9 a.m.-1 p.m.	Mooringsport/Meet by Tour Booth
Shreveport City Tour	9-11 a.m.	Shreveport/Meet by Tour Booth
Registration Open	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	SCC Lobby
Education Office Open	9 a.m.-5 p.m.	SCC Level 2, TBA
Ghost Riders Band Practice	9 a.m.-12 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 3
Keynote Speaker Tony Oxendine	10-11 a.m.	Exhibit Hall 2
Solo Get-Together – Christmas in June	10 a.m. 12 p.m.	Level 2, Ballroom D
Vendors Open	10 a.m.-10 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 1
Showcase of Ideas	10 a.m.-10 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 3
Education Sessions	10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.	SCC Level 2, TBA
Sew and Save	10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.	SCC Level 2, TBA
Dancing	10 a.m.-10 p.m.	Various Halls, TBA

(Square, Rounds, Contra, Clogging, Lines, Youth – time, location will be posted outside rooms, in Dailies and Mobile App)

NEC Archives Room	10 a.m.-5 p.m. & 7-9 p.m.	Level 2, Room 204
Gator & Friends Tour	10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.	Greenwood/Meet by Tour Booth
Shreveport City Tour	11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	Shreveport/Meet by Tour Booth
Roundtable Discussion	12 p.m.-2 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 2 (Auditorium)
Hospitality Rooms	12 p.m.-8 p.m.	Various Locations, TBA
Caller/Cuer Reception	2-4 p.m.	SCC Hilton, TBA

Exhibition – River City Riders	4:15-4:30 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 2 (Auditorium)
Exhibition – California Heritage Dancers	4:30 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 2 (Auditorium)
Ghost Riders Band	7-10 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 3
After Parties	10-11 p.m.	SCC Various Halls, TBA
Campground After Party	10 p.m.-midnight	State Fairgrounds RV Park

FRIDAY, JUNE 27

Hospitality Rooms	8 a.m.-10 p.m.	Various Locations, TBA
Tour Booth Open	8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.	SCC Lobby
Education Office Open	8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.	SCC Level 2, TBA
Shreveport City Tour	9-11 a.m.	Shreveport/Meet by Tour Booth
Registration Open	9 a.m.-9 p.m.	SCC Lobby
Ghost Riders Band Practice	9 a.m.-12 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 3
Bid Session	9-10 a.m.	SCC Exhibit Hall 2
Solo Get-Together	10-11 a.m.	Level 2, Room 206
Vendors Open	10 a.m.-10 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 1
Showcase of Ideas	10 a.m.-10 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 3
Sew and Save	10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.	SCC Level 2, TBA
NEC Archives Room	10 a.m.-5 p.m. & 7-9 p.m.	Level 2, Room 204
Dancing	10 a.m.-10 p.m.	Various Halls, TBA

(Square, Rounds, Contra, Clogging, Lines, Youth – time, location will be posted outside rooms, in Dailies and Mobile App)

Gator & Friends Tour	10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.	Greenwood/Meet by Tour Booth
Exhibition – California Heritage Dancers	11 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 2 (Auditorium)
Shreveport City Tour	11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	Shreveport/Meet by Tour Booth
Education Sessions	11:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.	SCC Level 2, TBA
Last Square Standing Competition	12-1:30 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 3
Exhibition – River City Riders	1:45-2 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 2 (Auditorium)
Ghost Riders Band	7-10 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 3
After Parties	10-11 p.m.	SCC Various Halls, TBA
Campground After Party	10 p.m.-midnight	State Fairgrounds RV Park

SATURDAY, JUNE 28

Hospitality Rooms	8 a.m.-9 p.m.	Various Locations, TBA
Tour Booth Open	8:30 a.m.-2 p.m.	SCC Lobby
Education Office Open	8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	SCC Level 2, TBA
Shreveport City Tour	9-11 a.m.	Shreveport/Meet by Tour Booth
Registration Open	9 a.m.-8 p.m.	SCC Lobby
Ghost Riders Band Practice	9 a.m.-12 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 3
Solo Get-Together	10-11 a.m.	Level 2, Room 206
Education Sessions	10 a.m.-2 p.m.	SCC Level 2, TBA
Vendors Open	10 a.m.-9 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 1
Showcase of Ideas	10 a.m.-2 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 3
Sew and Save	10 a.m.-noon	SCC Level 2, TBA
NEC Archives Room	10 a.m.-3 p.m.	Level 2, Room 204
Dancing	10 a.m.-10 p.m.	Various Halls, TBA

(Square, Rounds, Contra, Clogging, Lines, Youth – time, location will be posted outside rooms, in Dailies and Mobile App)

Fashion Show Practice	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 2
Fashion Show	1-2 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 2

Closing Ceremonies/Parade of States Line-Up	4-4:30 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 2
Closing Ceremonies/Parade of States	4:30-6 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 2
Ghost Riders Band	7-10 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 3
After Parties	10-11 p.m.	SCC Various Halls, TBA
Campground After Party	10 p.m.-midnight	State Fairgrounds RV Park

**Schedule subject to change. Remember to check your Dailies or the convention's Mobile App for the most up-to-date schedule and room locations. There will be signs posted outside halls and rooms.*

***GSI/NSDC Caller's School begins at noon on Sunday, June 22 and ends at noon on June 25.*

Hearing Assistance Devices available at 74th NSDC

Would you benefit from a Hearing Assistance Device? Here's how they work. A transmitter is placed on the caller/cuer stage in each dance hall. You wear an FM receiver that has the capability of changing channel frequencies and there is an earpiece that plugs into the receiver you are wearing. You control the volume. There is no background noise, just the caller or cuer's voice.

These devices are available for free during the 74th NSDC with a \$50 required REFUNDABLE deposit. You can pre-order your reservation for a Hearing Assistance Device using the Registration Long Form. The devices will then be available for pick up in the Ways and Means area at the convention. There will be signage at the convention directing you to Ways and Means. The deposit will be refunded back to you upon return of the device. **However, be aware there are very limited number still remaining.** To check on availability, contact Cheryl Rush at peppercatt2@gmail.com.

As an option, if you would like to have your own personal device, we will have brand new in-the-box units for purchase for approximately \$25 each. The device would be yours to keep, and it would work with any hearing assist broadcast that uses an FM signal, which most do. To inquire, stop by the 74th NSDC Ways and Means table during the convention.

For the latest news and events for the
74th National Square Dance Convention®

make sure to join our Facebook group

Go to: <https://www.facebook.com/share/NKtXCNEUKtx59SmB/>
 or scan the QR Code with your mobile phone to join today!



Here's a **color-coded daily schedule** for the 74th NSDC. It'll be available on the 74th NSDC website at www.74nsdc.com.

Remember to consult the **Dailies** and **Mobile App** upon arrival for any last-minute changes/modifications. We look forward to Dancing on the Wild Side in Shreveport, June 25-28, 2025!

You can still register **by regular mail until June 10** and **online until June 20**. You can also register **onsite** in the Shreveport Convention Center.

74th NSDC Schedule for Wednesday, June 25, 2025

Wednesday											
	Level 1 Plus Hall 1	Level 1 Auditorium	Level 1 Live Band & Variety Hall	Level 2 Ballroom A Advanced	Level 2 Ballroom B Round Dance Hall 1	Level 2 Ballroom C Round Dance Hall 2	Level 2 Ballroom D MS - SSD & Rounds	Room 205 Contra	Room 206 Challenge	Level 2 Mainstream	Level 2 Red River Room Youth Hall
9:00 AM											9:00 AM
9:30 AM											9:30 AM
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11:00 AM											11:00 AM
11:30 AM											11:30 AM
12:00 PM		USDA Annual Meeting						Contra Lab Annual Meeting			12:00 PM
12:30 PM										12:30 PM	
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2:00 PM										2:00 PM	
2:30 PM											2:30 PM
3:00 PM											3:00 PM
3:30 PM											3:30 PM
4:00 PM					Catered Dinner - Pre-Purchased Ticket Required						4:00 PM
4:30 PM											4:30 PM
5:00 PM											5:00 PM
5:30 PM											5:30 PM
6:00 PM		Special Event - Dennis Swanberg									6:00 PM
6:30 PM		Opening Ceremony									6:30 PM
7:00 PM											7:00 PM
7:30 PM											7:30 PM
8:00 PM			Square Dance Trail End	Square Dance Trail End	Round Dance Trail End						8:00 PM
8:15 PM			Mainstream Dance	Advanced Dance	Sponsored by Red River Rounders						8:15 PM
8:30 PM			Live Music								8:30 PM
9:00 PM											9:00 PM
9:30 PM											9:30 PM

74th NSDC Schedule for Thursday, June 26, 2025

Thursday											
	Level 1 Plus Hall 1	Level 1 Auditorium	Level 1 Live Band & Variety Hall	Level 2 Ballroom A Advanced	Level 2 Ballroom B Round Dance Hall 1	Level 2 Ballroom C Round Dance Hall 2	Level 2 Ballroom D MS - SSD & Rounds	Room 205 Contra	Room 206 Challenge	Level 2 SW Common Area Mainstream	Level 2 Red River Room Youth Hall
9:00 AM		Exhibitions Rehearsal 8:00-9:00			Showcase of Rounds Rehearsal	Showcase of Rounds Rehearsal	Showcase of Rounds Rehearsal				
9:30 AM								Howdy Pre-Party			
10:00 AM	Mainstream DBD Workshop	Keynote Speech	Band Practice	Advanced Beyond the Ordinary	Round Dance Break		Singles Meet and Greet and Dancing	Contra Introduction Clinic		Introduction to MS DBD workshop	Youth Dance Workshop, Arts & Crafts
10:30 AM											
11:00 AM	Plus Dancing	Clogging		Introduction to C1	Round Dance	Introduction to Lines		Contra Introduction Clinic		MS Hex Dancing	Youth Mainstream Dancing
11:30 AM	Plus DBD										
12:00 PM	Round Dance Intro to Waltz Clinic	Round Table Discussion, Youth Dancing...Do's & Don'ts	Mainstream Hex		Round Dance Tango Clinic	Round Dance Clinic Picture Figures	Round Dance Clinic Phase 3 Bolero			MS Hex Dancing Workshop	
12:30 PM											
1:00 PM	Plus DBD				Phase 4 Tango Teach		Phase 3 Bolero Teach	Contra Dancing		MS Dance GSI Student Callers	Youth Plus Dancing
1:30 PM	Plus Hex Squares Workshop										
1:45 PM					Phase 4 Cha Teach	Phase 5 Waltz Teach	Phase 2 Waltz Teach				
2:00 PM											
2:30 PM	Plus Dancing	Scoter Squares	Mainstream High Energy		Phase 4 Slow Two Step Teach		Phase 3 Foxtrot Teach Starts at 2:25 pm			Mainstream Dancing	
3:00 PM											
3:30 PM	Plus High Energy	Clogging			Phase 4 Rumba Teach		Phase 2 Two- step Teach	Contra Traditional Squares Clinic	Challenge 1 Dancing	Mainstream High Energy Dancing	Youth Mainstream Dancing
3:30 PM											
4:00 PM	Plus DBD	Exhibitions River City Riders	Mainstream Square Dance	Advanced 1 Dancing	Starts at 4:20 PM Phase 3 Cha Teach		Phase 3 Bolero Teach Starts at 3:50 pm Ph 2 Waltz Teach				
4:30 PM		Exhibitions Heritage Dancers									
5:00 PM	Plus Dancing		Beyond the Ordinary Plus					Band Set up		Mainstream Dancing	Youth Dancing Workshop
5:30 PM											
6:00 PM			Band Warmup								
6:30 PM											
7:00 PM	Plus Dancing	Clogging	Mainstream Live Band	Advanced 2 Dancing	Phase 2/3/4 Round Dancing See signs or syllabus for details	Phase 4/5/6 Round Dancing See syllabus or signs for details	SSD Dancing lines between tips	Contra Dancing Live Band		Mainstream High Energy Dancing	Youth Dancing Plus
7:30 PM											
8:00 PM											
8:15 PM	Rounds between tips										Youth Blacklight
8:30 PM										Mainstream DBD Dancing	Mainstream Dancing
9:00 PM											
9:30 PM											
10:00 PM			After Party Sponsored by 75th NSDC & 76th NSDC		Round Dance After Party Sponsored by 75th NSDC						10:00 PM
10:30 PM											Youth After Party Sponsored by 74th NSDC
11:00 PM											10:30 PM 11:00 PM

Take a Bite Out of the...

Dance Halls & Flooring at the 74th NSDC

74th NSDC DANCE HALLS

Square Dance

- Mainstream
- Plus (with Rounds nightly) – 20,000' Hall
- Advanced
- Challenge

Round Dance

- Levels II and III
- Levels III and IV (Showcase of Rounds)
- Levels V and VI

Contra Dance

Clogging

Line Dance

Youth

74th NSDC DANCE FLOORING

Dance flooring will be concrete in two exhibit halls downstairs with floating, hardwood in ballrooms & dance halls upstairs. The wood floors will be furnished by Bob Bahrs Dance Floor.



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Convention Center

STAY POWERED UP AT THE 74TH NSDC

Make sure you stay connected while at the 74th National Square Dance Convention®. Battery running low on your cell phone or other devices? The Shreveport Convention Center has self-service charging kiosks powered by chargeFUZE located throughout the facility for your convenience.

Each station has approximately 45 portable chargers available with micro-USB, USB-C, and Lightning cables compatible with all iPhones, Androids, tablets, select laptops and head-phones. A rental fee does apply. Most devices should fully charge in an hour or less. The kiosks can be easily seen in the convention center's hallways, but one can download the chargeFUZE App to quickly locate a charging station within the convention center.

How does it work?

1. Use your device to scan the chargeFUZE kiosk's QR Code, follow the easy instructions to eject a portable charger.
2. Charge your device on the go. The rental rate is \$2 per 30 minutes up to \$40 max.
3. After charging, return the charger to any chargeFUZE station in the convention center.

Source: FUZE Technology



There are portable chargers available from kiosks in the Shreveport Convention Center like the one above for a small fee. You can charge your cell phone and other devices on the go and return the charger to any of the chargeFUZE kiosks throughout the convention center.

Learn more about USDA (United Square Dancers of America) and ARTS (The Alliance of Round, Traditional and Square Dance) by attending their Annual Meetings at the 74th NSDC



All dancers are invited to join USDA sponsored activities at the 74th NSDC

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25 • 1 P.M.

**Annual Board of Directors Meeting
Convention Center Auditorium**

Level 1, Exhibit Hall 2

12-1 P.M. Registration

All Dancers Welcome!

Learn About USDA Programs and Services!

2025 ARTS ANNUAL MEETING

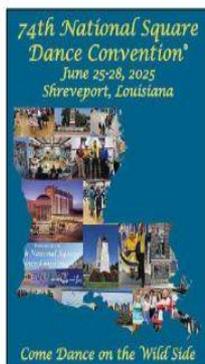
Sunday, June 29 at 9 a.m.

Hilton Shreveport, Ballroom A

*Join us as we work together
to promote dancing!*



How do I find dance schedules?



The 74th NSDC Program Book will contain valuable information related to the Shreveport convention and will make a great souvenir. Included with your purchase of the Program Book will be the pocket-sized Dailies.

Have you ever wondered how to find the National Square Dance Convention® schedule? What is the Program Book, Daily Schedule booklets and the Mobile App? What is the difference?

Program Book

The Program Book has dance leader and education presenter profiles, information about the NSDC committee as well as the convention center, upcoming convention promotions, and lots of advertisements and great information. You can look up that inspirational leader, someone to book for dances and where to find dance halls, vendors and food. The Program Book is a wonderful souvenir to remind you of a fantastic NSDC.

Order Program Books through the 74th NSDC's website soon to ensure yours is reserved. There will be a very limited number available at convention. Visit: <https://www.74nsdc.com/register-online>. Program Books and Daily Schedules booklets are only available at convention when you register.

Dailies

You can find dance leader and education presenter schedules in the Daily Schedule booklets, known as the Dailies. There are three booklets: Wednesday and Thursday are combined with separate booklets for Friday and Saturday. The Dailies schedules are current when they are printed. These are a handy size to put into your bag or pocket. The Dailies can only be purchased with the Program Book.

Don't forget that schedules, often changed daily, will be posted outside all dance halls and education rooms.

Mobile App

Another great way to keep up with schedules and information is with the convention's Mobile Application, otherwise known as App. You can find your favorite callers, events like Last Square Standing, Exhibitions and the Keynote Address, as well as addresses for drug stores, groceries, churches, and restaurants. You can "star" the events you want to attend, and the App will keep track of your preferred schedule. Another positive feature is that the App is updated constantly since it is linked to the up-to-the-minute scheduling computer system.

The mobile App will be available toward the end of June and announced on social media and our website. You will not be able to buy the App on our website. The App will only be available through the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. Once in the store: search 74th NSDC, make sure there is a space between "th" and NSDC (ex. 74th NSDC).

Remember, an announcement will be made once the mobile App is available. In the meantime, make sure to order your souvenir Program Book with Dailies!



Here is an example of the home page from Milwaukee's Mobile App created for the 73rd NSDC in 2024.

WILD SIDE PASSPORT

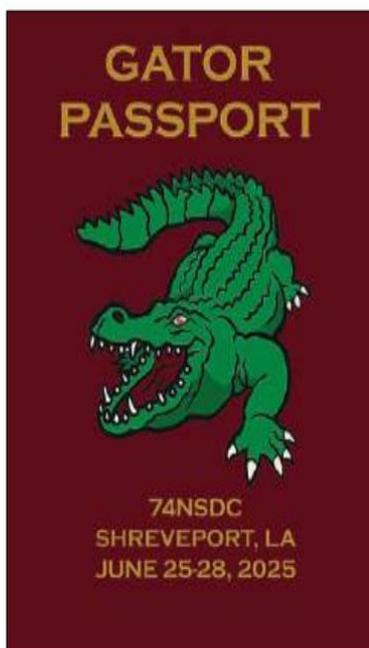
Increase your “wild side” fun with the 74th NSDC’s Convention Passport. The passport is a (free) guided tour of the convention, encouraging participants to experience as much as possible of what the convention has to offer.

How It Works:

Pick up your passport at the Tour Booth. Complete as many “destinations” as possible. Some destinations may have a specific time and place such as “Attend the Bid Session,” while others might be more flexible like attend a dance workshop or education class. Other destinations can be completed anytime during the convention before noon on June 28, such as buying ice cream or taking a selfie.

Destinations are marked when you bring your selfie photos, receipts, or other proofs to the Tour Booth.

Bring your passport back to the Tour Booth before noon on Saturday, June 28, to be entered for a prize. The top 40 persons with the most stamped entries will receive the coveted golden ‘Gator dangle. The next 80 persons with the most stamped entries will receive a silver ‘Gator dangle.



INFORMATION BOOTH

Need information about events while at the 74th NSDC? Stop by the Dancer Information/Lost and Found booth located in the pre-function (lobby) area of the Shreveport Convention Center just outside Exhibit Hall 1. Dancers can find answers to questions about convention activities and Shreveport-area related happenings and locations.

LOST AND FOUND

Lost or found something? Stop by the Information Booth to access Lost and Found. All items will be logged as they are turned in and recovered. Please note any items turned in and not claimed will be submitted to the Shreveport Convention Center Security Office if not recovered by the owner before the conclusion of the convention.





Where's the Dance?

Wondering where all the dancing will take place at the 74th National Square Dance Convention® on June 25-28, 2025? Here's a quick look at the locations where various dance and convention activities will be held throughout the Shreveport Convention Center*.

LEVEL 1

Exhibit Hall 1 – Plus Hall, Vendors and Concessions

Exhibit Hall 2 – Auditorium: Dennis Swanberg Show, Keynote Speaker, Roundtable Discussion, Bid Session and Fashion Show, Opening and Closing Ceremonies, Exhibitions, Scooter Squares, Clogging

Exhibit Hall 3 – Variety Hall: Live Band with GSI/NSDC School Callers, Wednesday night, June 25; Showcase of Ideas, daily Thursday-Saturday, June 26-28; Last Square Standing Competition, Friday, June 27; Ghost Riders Band Practice, Thursday-Saturday mornings, June 26-28; and Ghost Riders Band with Mainstream dancing, nightly Thursday-Saturday, June 26-28, 7-10 p.m.

LEVEL 2

Ballroom A – Advance Hall

Ballroom B – Round Dance Showcase, daily 10 a.m.-12 p.m.; Round Dance Clinics, daily 12-1 p.m.; Round Dance Workshops, daily 1-5 p.m.; Round Dance Phase 2, 3 & 4 nightly, 7-10 p.m.; After Parties

Ballroom C – Line Dance Workshops, daily 10 a.m.-12 p.m.; Round Dance Clinics, daily 12-1 p.m.; Round Dance Workshops, 1-5 p.m.; Round Dance Phase 4, 5 & 6 Program Rounds, 7-10 p.m.

Ballroom D – Solos Get-Together Christmas in June, Thursday morning only, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., June 26; Round Dance Clinics, daily 12-1 p.m.; Round Dance Workshops, daily 1-5 p.m.; SSD and Lines, nightly 6-10 p.m.

Room 205 – Contra Hall

Room 206 – Solos Get-Together, Friday-Saturday only, June 27-28, 10-11 a.m.; Challenge Hall

Round Room (Red River Room) – Youth Hall

Mainstream Hall (Level 2, Mezzanine Area) - Mainstream

**Schedule subject to change. Consult Daily Schedules and Mobile App for the latest information. Signs will be posted outside dance halls and rooms throughout the Shreveport Convention Center.*

Show your colors at the 74th NSDC

The official colors of the 74th NSDC are royal blue and bright yellow, which are the colors of the convention's state host – the Louisiana Square Dance Association. The mascot for the Shreveport convention is the alligator (Pa and Ma, Allie, 'Gator and all the cousins).



General Chairmen Ted (aka Pa Gator) and Tonia Hofmeister show the 74th NSDC colors and mascots.

Bring your alligator bling and accessories and wear some royal blue and yellow if you've got it (not required)!

Convention attire

Suggested attire: Casual clothing allowed up to 6 p.m. Square dance attire (or dance clothing appropriate for activity) requested, but not required, after 6 p.m. for evening dances. A 74th NSDC badge is required to enter all convention activities.

Ethics and etiquette

Treat everyone in your square with courtesy, be friendly and helpful. Avoid actions to make anyone else in your square uncomfortable. Refrain from criticism, if it is necessary make sure it is constructive. Help less experienced dancers, if needed. Dance gently, don't use an excessive grip or jerk/push others through the square.

Communicate, advise your partner if you have an injury or impairment that may impact your ability to twirl, etc.

Observe personal hygiene and cleanliness. Be sure to use deodorant and colognes in moderation. Remember too much cologne may trigger an allergic reaction for someone else,

Avoid alcoholic beverages before and during dances. No alcohol is allowed in the Shreveport Convention Center. Dancing requires your best mental and physical alertness.

If possible, enter the dance floor with a partner. If you need a partner, it is acceptable to stand at the edge of the floor and hold one hand in the air indicating that you are ready to dance. Join the first square you come to. Walk around the outside of the square to the nearest open position.

If no squares are available to join and you wish to create a new square, raise your hand displaying the



If forming a new square, it is customary to raise the number of fingers to indicate how many couples are needed to complete the square.

number of couples needed by an equal number of fingers. The caller should see your upraised hand and encourage others to complete the square. If a square is not full and no one has their hand up, it generally indicates they are waiting on a couple who has already promised to dance with them.

Do not leave a square in the middle of a dance. It is impolite to other members of the square if you leave before the tip ends. If you become ill and must make an exit, advise the other dancers in your square of your departure. If you have an emergency, everyone should understand.

If your square breaks down, go to home position, form lines, and continue. Be helpful. Point to where someone should be if they are in the wrong spot. Remember if you must correct, do so with a smile.

Never cross the floor while others are dancing. If you need to move to the other side of the room, quietly walk around the perimeter.

If you are not on the dance floor, keep conversations to a low volume so those on the dance floor can hear the caller or cuer.

At the end of the tip, applaud the caller and thank everyone in the square. Other methods of dance follow similar rules of etiquette.

At the NSDC, you are here not only to have fun but to ensure those around you do as well. Be courteous and observe the Golden Rule – “do unto others as you would have them do unto you.” Square dancers have a reputation for being some of the friendliest people around and, remember, the attire is one thing that helps distinguish the dancers and dance leaders from the general public. You are encouraged, but not required, to dress the part, wave and say hello, and brighten up the streets and convention center of Shreveport.

*Sources: USDA Booklet B-018, USDA Booklet IS-108, USDA Booklet IS-066,
www.CALLERLAB.org – “Dancer Etiquette” by Daryl Clendenin, published Feb. 7, 2021*

Order convention items early, supplies will be limited

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Come Dance on the Wild Side in Shreveport!

IT PAYS TO VOLUNTEER!

Besides self-fulfillment that comes from volunteering, the 74th National Square Dance Convention® will have daily door prizes for volunteers. Grand prize given Saturday. Many volunteer positions can be accomplished sitting, if taking a break from dancing, consider donating an hour or two of time. Message one of the 74th NSDC Chairmen listed below and they can help you find the right position to fit your interest or need.

WAYS AND MEANS

We need assistance to help sell Convention merchandise; Raffle table; 50/50 (split the pot) raffle. Interested? Email Business Chairman Tom Carlson at bulldogtom@att.net.

CEREMONIES

Parade of States - Signs & Line Up.
Message Michael Streby at Michael.Streby@gmail.com.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SPECIAL EVENT

We need Hosts & Escorts, Tables & Decoration Set-Up. Contact Rachel Rose at tours74nsdc@gmail.com.

FASHION SHOW

Ushers are needed! Email Fashion Show Organizer Rachel Rose at tours74nsdc@gmail.com.

CLINICS

Clinic directors needed to ensure the room is properly prepared, all materials are available, collect statistics (number of participants, number of people observing, etc.), close the session. More info? Contact Nelda Eaton at EatonSDCaller@gmail.com/call 903-278-8068.

REGISTRATION

The registration area would like help with check in. Call Assistant Registration & Housing Chairman Cheryl Rush at (251) 222-4495 or email peppercatt2@gmail.com.

HOSPITALITY

Information Table - Convention Center & Hilton Hotel; Workers' hospitality room; International hospitality; Solos hospitality. Contact Wanda Kruse at wandakruse50@gmail.com.

EDUCATION PROGRAM

Clinics & Seminars are calling for greeters/monitors for presentations & to collect statistics; the NEC Archives Room & Showcase of Ideas need monitors; the Sewing Session Room requires support of sewing activities such as Make & Take, Pattern Tracing & Mending. For more information, message Education Chairman Bonnie Abramson at bjsquaredance@gmail.com.

WAYS VOLUNTEERS CAN HELP AT 74TH NSDC

Contact Alitia Becker, 74th NSDC Assistant General Chairman, details, if contact person is not listed above, email aljonbecker@bellsouth.net.



Come Dance

The 74th National Square Dance Convention® at the Shreveport Convention Center on June 25-28, 2025 will feature square dancing, rounds, contra, lines, clogging, and exhibition groups. Dance to the nation's top callers, cuers, dance leaders and even a live band. Keep the dancing going at exciting After Parties! Make new friends and renew old friendships. Make sure to visit the vendors and maybe even pick up some new dance attire or 74th NSDC memorabilia. And take advantage of numerous educational opportunities to help improve your dancing or even learn a new dance style!



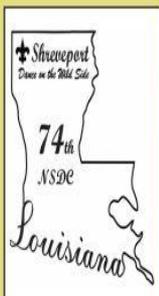
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Did you know Shreveport was once home of the Cradle of the Stars? Elvis Presley and Hank Williams, and many others, got their start from the stage of the Shreveport Municipal Auditorium on *The Louisiana Hayride* radio show! Visit the headquarters of the American Rose Society and the 100+ acres of roses, flowers and woodlands at the American Rose Center Garden. Discover the renowned Botanical Garden at the R.W. Norton Art Gallery and view gorgeous wild Sunflowers along the Sunflower Trail and Boom or Bust Byway. Shreveport also features numerous historic homes, buildings and districts to explore.



Wild Side

Is it adventure you crave? Check out the Shreveport Aquarium, Barksdale Air Force Base Global Power Museum, Sci-Port Discovery Center and try your luck at the six casinos in the Shreveport-Bossier City area. Still not adventurous enough? Zipline over alligators and race around the high-performance go-cart track at Gators & Friends. Need to feed your appetite? Tempt your tastebuds with a Cajun or Creole dish the state is renowned for including Beignets, Shreveport-style stuffed shrimp, The Muffy, shrimp and seafood Po-Boys, red beans and rice, seafood gumbeaux, crawfish, 'gator bites and icebox pie.



at Shreveport



Join the 74th National Square Dance Convention®'s Facebook group to keep up with all the latest news and events!



Why should you Camp on the Wild Side?

- Newly renovated, 200 sites available
- Only \$35/night for full hookups
- Less than 10 minutes from Shreveport Convention Center (4.5 miles)
- Campground reserved strictly for 74th NSDC during the convention
- Entire facility is fenced and 24-hour security
- Shower facilities on-site
- Parking available at the Shreveport Convention Center for \$4 per day (in/out) and at nearby Sam's Town and Bally's Casino Resorts (beware of height restrictions)
- Air-conditioned hospitality building for meet and greets – with plenty of room for activities
- Nightly After-Party: Wednesday-Saturday, 10 p.m.-Midnight, campground's hospitality building, featured callers: Joey Duhamel from Louisiana, Phil Moorehouse from Arkansas, all callers are invited to participate

Louisiana State Fairgrounds, 3701 Hudson St., Shreveport, LA

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR CAMPERS!

All camper connections will be in the back of the camper. Please bring enough water hose, sewer hoses & additional electrical cord, if needed.

RESERVATIONS

Campsites requested: 79

Assignments will be made in order of **COMPLETED REGISTRATION** form received: <https://www.74nsdc.com/register-online>. You can not register to camp if you have not registered first for the 74th NSDC. Sites must be booked through the 74th NSDC Registration & Housing by May 1, 2025 to guarantee pricing.

Site reservations will be coordinated through the RV & Camping Vice-Chairmen Dan & Vicki Hatfield, vhat@cox.net. Reserve your RV and Camping using the online form found at our website <https://www.74nsdc.com/housing>.

No reservations or payments can be made at the Fairgrounds, you must have registered and paid for your RV camping site either by mail, in person with one of our team members, or online through the website: <https://www.74nsdc.com/housing>.

ATTENTION SQUARE DANCERS WHO LIKE TO CAMP

If you are planning to camp at the
74th National Square Dance Convention in Shreveport,
Why not come early and party with us?

You are invited to a

**JUNE
19, 20 & 21
2025**



**67th NSDCA
INTERNATIONAL
CAMPOREE**

Square Dance Bash on the Bayou

That's right. We're having a Camping & Dancing Party
right at the

Shreveport Louisiana Fairgrounds

Squares, Rounds, & Lines, Dance Workshops,
Campfires, Games, After parties, and some good "Cajun Eatin" !

Hold on there...here's the really good part...

You don't have to move your camper

YOU WILL ALREADY BE AT THE NSDC CAMPING VENUE.

"Just 4 miles from Shreveport Convention Center!"

Contact: Susan Wolford 256-673-0170 or Email: 67th.nsdca@gmail.com
or visit our Website: NSDCA.org



ASK ME TO DANCE!



You're attending the 74th NSDC, you would like to dance but you have no partner? What do you do?

There will be 'Find Your Next Dance Partner Here' signs located prominently in the large dance halls. If you are looking for a partner, head over to the sign and get ready to dance!

There is a Solos Meet and Greet planned.
Thursday, June 26, 10 AM-Noon, Level 2, Ballroom D

"Ask Me to Dance" ribbons will be available at Registration.



Graphic courtesy of the 71st NSDC

Solo Dancing

REVISED SCHEDULE

Solos Meet and Greet

Christmas in June Party

Thursday, June 26

10am - Noon

Ballroom D Level 2

Friday and Saturday

June 27 - 28

Dancing 10am - 11am

Ballroom D Level 2

Experience food on the wild side at the 74th NSDC

We will have a variety of food available from lunch until dinner onsite in the Shreveport Convention Center for your convenience and enjoyment. If you want to eat on the wild side, the SCC Executive Chef and her staff are preparing a taste of Louisiana for your dining pleasure, as well as some easy grab-and-go options and traditional convention staples.

- There will be 4 concessions in total - 3 on the main level within the exhibit halls, 1 upstairs on Level 2
- Concessions will feature Louisiana dishes from our Executive Chef such as gumbo and dirty rice
- Staple concession food will also be available such as nachos, popcorn, and hot dogs
- We have ice cream! There will be 2 concessions with ice cream, open late
- There will be seating to eat on Level 2



ICE CREAM MENU

Strawberry Shortcake	\$3.00
Orange Dreamsicles	\$3.00
Orange Sherbert (4oz cup)	\$3.00
Vanilla Ice Cream Cup (4oz)	\$3.00
Chocolate Ice Cream Cup (4oz)	\$3.00
Ice Cream Sandwich	\$3.00

**We
Love
Ice
Cream!**

How to pay? The SCC accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover cards. Concessions will also have at least one register that will accept cash, as well as debit cards. The SCC also accepts Tap-to-Pay options, if you have the option enabled on your smart phone or debit card.

The attached Hilton Shreveport Hotel offers Starbucks favorites at the Coffee Talk Cafe and its own in-house flagship restaurant Market 104. Sam's Town Hotel & Casino and Bally's Shreveport both have multiple dining options within easy walking distance. There are several local restaurants within 3-5 blocks from the convention center, as well as many restaurants and fast food options within easy driving distance. For the latest information on dining at the 74th NSDC, visit the convention website at www.74nsdc.com or one will be able to find it easily in the convention's Mobile App to be available for download soon.

EATERIES WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF CONVENTION CENTER

The Blind Tiger

Mon-Thurs 11 am - 8 pm,
Fri-Sat 11 am-9 pm, Sun Closed
(318) 226-8747
120 Texas Street
.3 miles from Convention Center

Noble Savage Tavern

Mon-Fri 11 am -12 am,
Sat/Sun 10 am - 12 am
(318) 828-2619
417 Texas St
.4 miles from Convention Center

Ono Hawaiian Grill - ArtSpace

Tue-Fri 11 am - 10 pm
Sat 4 pm - 10 pm, Sun/Mon Closed
(318) 888-5828
708 Texas St
.5 miles from Convention Center

Bistro to Go (Deli items, take out)

Mon-Fri 11:30 am - 2 pm
(318) 861-4833 call about daily specials
333 Texas St, Suite 125
.3 miles from Convention Center

Bon Asian Cafe

Mon-Fri 9 am - 8 pm
(318) 220-7373
350 Edwards Street (Beck Bldg)
.3 miles from Convention Center

Glass Hat Cafe

Tues-Sat 7:30 am - 2 pm
(318) 701-8177
423 Crockett St
.6 miles from Convention Center

Sugar Lou's Southern Creole (take out)

Mon-Fri 10:30 am - 2 pm
(318) 560-8038
401 Edwards St
.3 miles from Convention Center

Cassandra's on the River

Mon-Fri 11 am - 3 pm Lunch,
3 pm - 9 pm Dinner
Sat 11 am - 10 pm, Sun 11 am - 6 pm
(318) 626-7159
500 Clyde Fant Pkwy (Suite 110)
.6 miles from Convention Center

The Missing Link

Mon-Thurs 11 am - 2 pm
Fri-Sat 11 am - 2 pm, 5:30 pm - 9 pm
Sun Closed
(318) 751-5820
504 Texas St
.4 miles from Convention Center

*Additional food options are available in
the Hilton Shreveport Convention Center
Hotel, Sam's Town Hotel & Casino,
and Bally's Hotel & Casino

For the latest news and events for the
74th National Square Dance Convention®
make sure to join our Facebook group

Connect with our 1,850+ followers on Facebook!

It's easy, go to:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/NKtXCNEUKtx59SmB/>

or scan the QR Code to join today!



Looking for fast food or some late-night options?

Here's a list of local places in the Shreveport area to choose from, especially for After-Party options, while at the 74th NSDC

— RAISING CANE'S CHICKEN FINGERS —

Fast-food chain specializing in fried chicken fingers, crinkle-cut fries and Texas toast. Make sure to try the unique Cane's dipping sauce. Open until midnight.

1046 Kings Hwy, Shreveport, LA 71104 • 7241 Youree Dr, Shreveport, LA 71105
6823 Pines Rd, Shreveport, LA 71129

— SOUTHERN CLASSIC CHICKEN —

Nestled in the vibrant heart of the American South, Southern Classic Chicken has been serving up comfort food since 1989. This family-owned franchise stands out not just for its fried chicken but also for its family values and dedication to quality. Known for its fantastic fried chicken that rivals local favorites, it combines the crunchiness reminiscent of KFC with a spicy kick akin to Popeyes—all at prices that are hard to beat. Open until 11 p.m.

235 W 70th St, Shreveport, LA 71106
3651 Hollywood Ave, Shreveport, LA 71109

— FIVE GUYS —

The fast-food chain Five Guys offers customizable burgers, fries, and hot dogs. However, they are a little on the pricier side but portions are large enough they can be shareable for smaller appetites. For extra kick, try the Cajun style fries! Open until 10 p.m.

7041 Youree Dr Ste 200, Shreveport, LA 71106

— CHICK-FIL-A —

A popular fast-food chain known for its chicken sandwiches, nuggets, fresh salads, and sides, including their signature waffle fries. Don't be deterred by long lines, customer service is fast and efficient. Chick-fil-A remains a top choice for satisfying fast food cravings and also provides several breakfast options, including the popular chicken biscuit. Open until 9 p.m.

7010 Youree Dr, Shreveport, LA 71105



— **GRIFF'S OF SHREVEPORT** —

Griff's specialty is burgers, including "giant" burgers for big appetites, so start with one of those. Chicken, steak and fish sandwiches are also popular items. Sandwich add-ons include bacon, chili, mushrooms, jalapenos and a variety of cheeses. Top it off with a shake or float. They prepared the food quickly and it was incredibly delicious. Open until 11 p.m., midnight on Friday-Saturday nights!

2910 Linwood Ave, Shreveport, LA 71103

— **WHATABURGER** —

Whataburger is a long-time, fast-food chain with a cult following that specializes in counter-serve burgers, some of which are stacked with multiple patties. It is widely regarded as the top burger spot in the area, offering breakfast all night and satisfying late-night cravings. Did we mention they are open late for After-Party options? Open 24 hours.

1650 E Bert Koun Loop, Shreveport, LA 71105

2900 N Market St, Shreveport, LA 71107

4010 Jewella Ave, Shreveport, LA 71109

— **JIMMY JOHN'S** —

This fast-food franchise specializes in sub and club sandwiches, along with their own unique brand of potato chips and wraps. With more than 17 sandwich options there's something for every taste, including a veggie option. Have a smaller appetite, order a Little John, but if you're really hungry try the Gargantuan. Make it a combo for a satisfying meal. Open until 10 p.m.

7140 Youree Dr, Shreveport, LA 71105

— **POPEYES LOUISIANA KITCHEN** —

Louisiana-inspired fast-food chain known for its crispy, spicy fried chicken, chicken sandwiches and fries. The fish sandwich and popcorn shrimp are also popular menu items. Did you know the very first Popeyes restaurant was opened in New Orleans? Alvin C. Copeland, Sr., opened "Chicken on the Run" in 1972 which he soon re-branded as Popeyes (not after the cartoon character but Popeye Doyle of The French Connection). Open until 11 p.m.

3565 Greenwood Rd, Shreveport, LA 71109

8640 Youree Dr, Shreveport, LA 71115

— **MCDONALD'S** —

McDonald's is a well-established and popular fast-food chain renowned for its hamburgers, fries and the ever popular Happy Meal for kids. McDonald's has a



substantial fast-food breakfast menu, dessert items and coffee menu. Most locations are open until midnight.

1635 E. Bert Kouns, Shreveport, LA 71105

1100 Kings Hwy, Shreveport, LA 71104

6705 Pines Rd, Shreveport, LA 71129

— **WENDY'S** —

Popular fast-food burger chain serving a variety of burger and sandwich options, chicken nuggets, salads, baked potatoes and chili. Wendy's also offers a breakfast menu and don't forget a signature Frosty! They are also open late until 1 a.m.

3820 Hearne Ave., Shreveport, LA 71103

450 Kings Hwy, Shreveport, LA 71104

1529 N Market St, Shreveport, LA 71107

— **BURGER KING** —

Burger King offers a variety of grilled burgers, chicken sandwiches, nuggets and chicken fingers, wraps, traditional French fries and onion rings, as well as several breakfast options. Open until midnight.

1625 Kings Hwy, Shreveport, LA 71104

6363 Hearne Ave, Shreveport, LA 71103

— **TACO BELL** —

Traditional fast-food Mexican fare serving a variety of tacos, burritos, quesadillas, nachos, crunch wraps and more. They also offer a variety of vegetarian options and Cantina favorites with elevated ingredients. Taco Bell also has a Cravings Value Meal and they are open late until 2 a.m.

1120 E. Kings Hwy, Shreveport, LA 71104

— **DENNY'S** —

Just across the river from Shreveport is Bossier City and one of the late-night hangouts, Denny's. If you have a craving for breakfast at midnight, they have you covered with multiple breakfast options, including omelets, waffles and pancakes, available any time you want it. The salads are large, and Denny's offers a variety of burgers, melts and handheld sandwiches such as the Club and Reuben. Items from their Starters and Dessert menus are late-night favorites. Open 24 hours!

1832 Old Minden Rd, Bossier City, LA 71111

**Hours may be subject to change*

Sources: Visit Shreveport Bossier, Wanderlog, TripAdvisor, Yelp and franchise websites





PET-FRIENDLY RESTAURANTS SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER CITY

- Flying Heart Brewing & Pub - Bossier City: Raise a toast with your "pawsse" and enjoy craft beer and delectable food while your furry friend lounges on the patio.
- Flames Mediterranean Restaurant: Savor Mediterranean flavors in a "pawsitively" welcoming atmosphere, where your pet can join you on the patio for a meal.
- California Bar & Grill: This spot offers a "fur-tastic" outdoor setting where you and your pet can dine together in style.
- The Seventh Tap: Enjoy craft beers with your canine "pawtner" on the patio while taking in the "pawsome" atmosphere.
- Marilyn's Place: This restaurant offers a pet-friendly outdoor seating area, making it a "purr-fect" choice for a casual meal with your furry companion.
- Cantina Laredo: Experience delicious Mexican cuisine with your "bark-rillicant" buddy in their welcoming outdoor space.
- Another Broken Egg Cafe: Start your day with a "meow-velous" breakfast or brunch on the patio, where your pet can relax by your side. Available at both Shreveport & Bossier Locations.
- Frank's Pizza Napoletana: Share a delicious slice of pizza with your furry dinner date on the patio at this pet-friendly pizzeria



Source: Visit Shreveport Bossier

Cook on the Wild Side!



We hope to have stirred up your “wild side” by sharing some of the delicious recipes each month from the 74th NSDC’s Luv Me Dat Lou-Zee-Ana Dough Zee-Dough Cookbook. At only \$15, this unique and fun flip-top style cookbook also makes a great keepsake or gift item!

- 1) Order using the Registration Long Form (www.74NSDC.com/online-registration),
- 2) Purchase from General Chairmen Ted and Tonia Hofmeister at the traveling Ways and Means table at an event near you, or
- 3) Buy one during the 74th NSDC from Ways and Means (limited copies available).

74th National Square Dance Convention[®]

Shreveport Convention Center • June 25-28, 2025

Sign up today at: www.74NSDC.com/online-registration

74th National Square Dance Convention®'s
CAMPERS TRAIL-IN DANCE

Monday, June 23, 2025, 7 p.m. until ...
Louisiana State Fairgrounds Activity Bldg.
3701 Hudson St., Shreveport, LA

Look for the RV campers, the building will be nearby!

Host Caller & Emcee – Joey Duhamel from Louisiana
Contact Info: Joey Duhamel, (870) 209-3646 or email JDCalls@yahoo.com

Donation
Dance!

All Dancers
are Welcome!

All Callers
Invited
to
Call!

Welcome National Square Dance
Campers Association to Shreveport!
The NSDCA will be at the Bash on
the Bayou June 19-21 for their
67th NSDCA International Camporee
www.NSDCA.org



Register to Dance on the Wild Side at www.74NSDC.com

SQUARE DANCE FRIENDS FROM FAR AND WIDE...

THE GREAT AMERICAN CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA
AND THE 74TH NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION®



Welcomes You

TO **KICK-START** AN AMAZING EVENT WITH THE



TRAIL'S END DANCE

TUESDAY EVENING, JUNE 24, 2025

8PM-10PM LEVEL 1, EXHIBITION HALL #3

\$15

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Jack



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★ DANCE TO FOUR OF YOUR FAVORITE CALLERS FROM AROUND THE US. ★

SHREVEPORT CONVENTION CENTER
400 CADDO STREET, SHREVEPORT CENTER,
LEVEL 1 EXHIBITION HALL #3

[HTTPS://WWW.74NSDC.COM/](https://www.74NSDC.com/)

74th NSDC Opening Ceremonies

**Wednesday, June 25, 2025
Starting at 7:30 pm
Exhibit Hall 2**



Andy Allemao

Master of Ceremonies

Doug & Don Sprosty
Square Dancers' Prayer



featuring the
Barksdale AFB

Honor Guard

Media / Editor Recognition Event

DENNIS SWANBERG

Tickets:
Show Only
\$30 pp
w/Catered
Meal
\$60 pp

Dinner
Reservations
Pre-Order
Only!



Scan the QR Code
for more info
on 'The Swan'!

Comedian &
Motivational
Speaker

Wednesday,
June 25, 2025

Showtime:
6-7 PM

Optional Dinner:
4:30 PM

IMPORTANT RESERVATION INFORMATION!

The 74th National Square Dance Convention[®] is excited to announce dinner bookings can be made until June 10 & include a performance by Jelvis™ - an Elvis Tribute Artist! Meal options include blackened catfish or chicken. Dinner will be served on Level 2, follow the signs. Advance meal and show tickets can be ordered using the Registration Long Form.

Dennis Swanberg tickets only can also be purchased until 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 25, day of show at the 74th NSDC Tour Booth. No limit on show seating. Dennis Swanberg will be located in the Auditorium on Level 1.

Shreveport Convention Center

For more details on the 74th National Square Dance Convention[®] visit www.74NSDC.com



WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Trail's End

DANCE

Free!

SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

MC-TONY OXENDINE



THE 74TH NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION®

LEVEL 1, EXHIBITION HALL #1

JUNE 25, 2025 8PM-10PM



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GHOST RIDERS
BAND!

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[HTTPS://WWW.74NSDC.COM/](https://www.74NSDC.com/)



74th National Square Dance Convention[®]

TRAIL END ROUND DANCE

Wednesday, June 25, 2025

Come join us for an evening of round dancing to start our convention off on the

Wild Side!



Shreveport Convention Center

Ballroom B, 2nd Floor • 8 pm to 10 pm

**Sponsored by The Red River Rounders Round Dance Club
Bossier City, LA**





THE FOUNDATION

For the Preservation and Promotion of Square Dancing



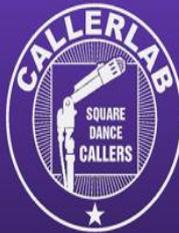
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Advanced Trail End Dance

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 2025

8:00 PM TO 10:00 PM

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CALLERS**



**SHREVEPORT
CONVENTION
CENTER
LEVEL 2 —
BALLROOM A**



The purpose of the Foundation for the Preservation and Promotion of Square Dancing is to support the funding of projects which will preserve and promote square dancing. These projects help protect the activity and contribute to its growth.

The Foundation is registered with the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(C)(3) corporation. All donations to The Foundation are tax deductible.

**74th National Square Dance
Convention[®] Presents**
Elvis Tribute Artist

**Shreveport
Convention Center
June 25-28, 2025**



Photo Courtesy of Jeff Smith

**SPECIAL
PERFORMANCES**

- ★ Wednesday, June 25 -
During Catered Cajun Dinner
- ★ Friday, June 27 - After-After
Bowling Party
- ★ Wed.-Sat., June 25-27 - 74th
NSDC Photo Booth, Hrs. Vary
- ★ Other Special Events
Throughout the Convention

↓ ELVIS[™]

You're Invited to the... **74th National Square Dance Convention®'s** **Campground After Parties**

WHERE?

Louisiana State
Fairgrounds,
3701 Hudson
St, Shreveport,
in Campground
Hospitality/Activity
Building

WHEN?

Wednesday thru
Saturday,
10 pm - Midnight



FEATURED CALLERS?

Joey Duhamel
from Louisiana,
Phil Moorehouse
from Arkansas,
*All callers are
invited to call!*

MORE INFO?

Contact
Joey Duhamel,
JDCalls@yahoo.com

Why should you Camp on the Wild Side?

- Newly renovated campground • Only \$35/night for full hookups
- Shower facilities on-site • 24-hour security
- Entire facility is fenced • Less than 10 minutes from Shreveport Convention Ctr.
- Exclusive camping: the 74th NSDC has the campground under contract during the convention, sites during convention week will be reserved strictly for the 74th NSDC
- Air-conditioned hospitality room for meet and greets, plenty of room for After Parties



Sign up for the 74th NSDC at <https://www.74nsdc.com/register-online>,

Then register for a campsite at <https://www.74nsdc.com/housing>.

For campsite questions, contact RV & Camping Vice-Chairmen

Dan & Vicki Hatfield at vhat@cox.net.

It's Party Time!

Extend the fun! Join the 74th National Square Dance Convention® in Shreveport, LA, at great After Parties!

THURSDAY AFTER PARTIES - JUNE 26

- Square Dance 10-11 PM *SCC, Level 1 Live Band Hall 3
Sponsor: 75th NSDC (Waco, TX) and 76th NSDC (Loveland, CO)
- Round Dance 10-11 PM SCC, Level 2 Exhibit Hall 2 (Round Dance Hall)
Sponsor: 75th NSDC (Waco, TX)
- Youth Party 10-11 PM SCC, Level 2 Round Room (Youth Hall)
Sponsor: 74th NSDC (Shreveport, LA)
- **Campground Dance 10 PM-12 AM LA State Fairgrounds Hospitality Bldg

FRIDAY AFTER PARTIES - JUNE 27

- Square Dance 10-11 PM SCC, Level 1 Live Band Hall 3 w/Ghost Riders
Sponsor: United Square Dancers of America (USDA)
- Round Dance 10-11 PM SCC, Level 2 Exhibit Hall 2 (Round Dance Hall)
Sponsor: Association of Round, Traditional, and Square Dance (ARTS)
- *Campground Dance 10 PM-12 AM LA State Fairgrounds Hospitality Bldg

SATURDAY AFTER PARTIES - JUNE 28

- Square Dance 10-11 PM SCC, Level 1 Live Band Hall 3
Sponsor: 77th NSDC (Bidding City)
- Round Dance 10-11 PM SCC, Level 2 Exhibit Hall 2 (Round Dance Hall)
Sponsor: 76th NSDC (Loveland, CO)
- *Campground Dance 10 PM-12 AM LA State Fairgrounds Hospitality Bldg

**Shreveport Convention Center, 400 Caddo St., Shreveport, LA*

***Louisiana State Fairgrounds, located at 3701 Hudson St., Shreveport, LA
Campground After Parties will be held in the Activity/Hospitality Building.*

Come Dance on the Wild Side in Shreveport!

All Youth Invited!

Nightly Blacklight Parties
Special Youth After-Party Friday Night



74th National Square Dance Convention®
Shreveport Convention Center

Location: Youth Hall, Level 2, Round Room

Nightly Blacklight Parties: June 26th-28th, 8-10 PM

Youth After-Party: Friday, June 27th, 10-11 PM

Open to youth under the age of 18, Youth After-Party sponsored by 74th NSDC

74th NSDC Youth Hall

Fun with Color*

Location: Level 2, Round Room

Hours: Thursday, June 26 – Saturday, June 28
10 a.m. until 10 p.m.**

		Thursday, June 26, 2025	Friday, June 27, 2025	Saturday, June 28, 2025
10:00 AM	11:00 AM	Arts & Crafts	Arts & Crafts	Arts & Crafts
11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips
		Blue	Blue	Blue
12:00 PM	1:00 PM	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips
		Orange	Orange	Orange
1:00 PM	2:00 PM	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips
		Green	Green	Green
2:00 PM	3:00 PM	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips
		Red	Red	Red
3:00 PM	4:00 PM	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips
		Purple	Purple	Purple
4:00 PM	5:00 PM	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips
		Aqua	Aqua	Aqua
5:00 PM	6:00 PM	Dancing Workshop & Arts & Crafts	Arts & Crafts	Arts & Crafts
6:00 PM	7:00 PM	Dancing Workshop & Arts & Crafts	Arts & Crafts	Arts & Crafts
7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips
		Blue	Orange	Green
8:00 PM	9:00 PM	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips
		Blacklight Party	Blacklight Party	Blacklight Party
9:00 PM	10:00 PM	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips	Dancing 10 Min Tips
		Blacklight Party	Blacklight Party	Blacklight Party

Nightly Blacklight Parties: June 26th-28th, 8-10 p.m.

****Youth After-Party:** Thursday, June 26th, 10-11 p.m.

Dancing • Prizes • Games • Arts & Crafts

*Youth Hall to be lit with color coordinating to schedule of events, After-Party sponsored by 74th NSDC
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The 74th National Square Dance Convention® is proud to present...

KEYNOTE SPEAKER TONY OXENDINE

DATE:



Thursday,
June 26,
2025



TIME:

10-11 am



LOCATION:

Level 1, Hall 2
(Auditorium),
Shreveport
Convention
Center



*The 74th NSDC thanks
Tony for bringing
Tom Miller's message
to Shreveport!*

Topic: Leadership - Being Someone Who Makes Our Hobby Better

What is leadership & what does it really mean?

What are the benefits of being a leader, both to you & those that you lead?
Leadership IS for everyone & being a leader doesn't have to consume your life.

Tony was introduced to square dancing in 1972 through a teenage square dance program sponsored by the local Parks and Recreation Department. In 1974 Tony attended Promenade Hall Callers College in Indiana where he first met Dick Jones. Tony was so impressed with Dick that he "borrowed" much of his style and started using this new style in his own calling. In 1980 Tony made calling his full-time career and he now travels almost 300 days annually doing festivals and dances all over the world. He routinely calls in over 30 states each year, and has called in all 50 states. Tony has also called in Canada, Saudi Arabia, England, Sweden, Germany, Japan, Holland, Denmark, Belgium, Czech Republic, Taiwan, Australia, Norway, and Austria. In 1985 Tony and Jerry Story founded Royal Records. Tony is an Accredited Caller Coach and an accredited member of CALLERLAB. He has served on CALLERLAB's Board, its Executive Board of Governors, and two terms as Chairman of the Board. In 2000, Tony received CALLERLAB's highest award - The Milestone.

For more information on Tony Oxendine, go to <https://www.tonyoxendine.com>.

Dance on the Wild Side at the 74th NSDC!
Register today at www.74NSDC.com

EXHIBITION PERFORMANCES

Location: Level 1, Exhibit Hall 2 (Auditorium)

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

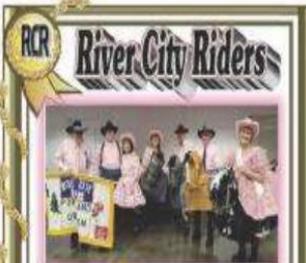
- 4:15-4:30 pm River City Riders
4:30 pm California Heritage Dancers –
Appalachian Kentucky Running Set

FRIDAY, JUNE 27

- 11 am-Noon California Heritage Dancers –
*History of Square Dancing
from Colonial times to modern-
day square dance*

There will be snippets of square dance history from the Colonial era (about 1740), Southwestern dancing (late 1700's), Quadrilles (mid-1800s), Cowboy dances (late 1860s), Midwest Farmers dances (mid-1800s), Henry Ford Era (1926), and the full Lloyd Shaw Era (1940s) dance. Each dance snippet includes authentic costumes, music, and customs from the era. Come watch this history panel in the auditorium and see how many variations you can spot in the evolution of square dancing.

- 1:45-2 pm River City Riders



Perform at Shreveport, Louisiana @
74th National Square Dance Convention®
"Come Dance on the Wild Side"
June 25-28, 2025
Thursday June 26- Thurs. 6/26- 4:15-4:30PM
Friday June 27- Friday 6/27- 1:45 -2 PM
Shreveport Convention Center, Paddy
400 Caddo Street, Box 66- 1610 W
Shreveport, Louisiana La. 712-28-1748
Sponsored by: "River City Riders"

The California Heritage Dancers will perform the Appalachian Kentucky Running Set (photo below, on left) and the colorful and educational History of Square Dancing from the 1700s to the modern-day era (photo below, on right) during the 74th National Square Dance Convention® in Shreveport.



Don't miss these fun and exciting exhibitions!



Square and Line Dance Schedule

Daily Activities Thursday-Saturday, June 26-28



SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Exhibit Hall 1, Level 1

- 8-10 pm Trail End Dance - Tues., June 24
8-10 pm Round Dance - Wed., June 25
10-11 pm After Party-Thurs.-Fri., June 26-27

Exhibit Hall 2 (Auditorium), Level 1

- 2-3 pm Scooter Squares - Thurs. & Fri.
10-11 am Scooter Squares - Sat.

CHALLENGE DANCING

Room 206, Level 2

- 10 am-2 pm Challenge - Thurs.-Sat.
1:30-2:30 pm Intro to C2 - Thurs.
2-10 pm Challenge - Thurs.-Sat.

PLUS DANCING

Exhibit Hall 1, Level 1

- 10-10:30 am Plus - Thurs.-Sat
10:30-11:30 am Intro to Plus DBD - Thurs. & Sat.
10:30-11:30 am Intro to Advance - Fri.
11:30 am-1:30 pm Plus DBD - Thurs.-Sat.
12-1 pm Round Dancing for Beginners
1:30-2:30 pm Intro to Plus Hex - Thurs.
2:30-3 pm Plus - Thurs.-Sat.
3-4 pm Plus High Energy - Thurs.-Sat.
4-5 pm Plus DBD - Thurs.-Sat.
5-7 pm Plus - Thurs.-Sat.
7-10 pm Plus with Rounds - Thurs.-Sat.

ADVANCE DANCING

Ballroom A, Level 2

- 8-10 pm Advance - Wed., June 25
10-11 am Beyond the Ordinary - Thurs.
10-11 am Intro to C1 - Fri.
10-11:30 am Beyond the Ordinary - Sat.
11 a.m.-12 pm Intro to C1 - Thurs.
11-11:30 am Beyond the Ordinary - Fri.
12-10 pm Advanced Dancing - Thurs.-Sat.

SSD AND LINE DANCING

Ballroom C, Level 2

- 10 am-12 pm Line Dance Workshops

MAINSTREAM DANCING

Exhibit Hall 3, Level 1 - Mainstream Nightly

(Live Band and Variety Hall)

- 8-10 pm GSI/NSDC School Callers-Wed., June 25
12-1 pm Mainstream Hex - Thurs.
12-1 pm Competition Squares - Fri.
12-12:30 pm Square Dance Introduction - Sat.
1-2 pm Intro Kaleidoscope Squares - Sat.
1-4 pm Mainstream High Energy - Thurs.
1:30-3 pm Mainstream - Fri.
2-3 pm Plus Hex - Thurs.
2-3 pm 6 Couple Squares - Sat.
4-5 pm Mainstream - Thurs.
3:30-4:30 pm Sicilian Circles - Fri.
3-4:30 pm Mainstream - Sat.
4-5 pm Mainstream - Thurs.
4:30-6:30 pm Mainstream High Energy - Fri.
4:30-6:30 pm Mainstream DBD - Sat.
5-6:30 pm Beyond the Ordinary/Plus - Thurs.
7-10 pm Ghost Riders Band - Thurs.-Sat.

Mezzanine Level 2

- 10-11 am Mainstream - Thurs.
10-11 am Intro to Plus - Fri.
10-11 am Intro to Smooth Dancing - Sat.
11 am-12 pm Mainstream Hex - Thurs. & Fri.
11 am-12 pm Mainstream - Sat.
11 am-12 pm Intro to Plus - Sat.
12-1 pm Mainstream - Thurs.-Sat.
12-1 pm Intro to MS Hex - Thurs.
12-1 pm Intro to Smooth Dancing - Fri.
1-3 pm Mainstream Hex - Sat.
3:30-5 pm Mainstream - Thurs.-Sat.
5-7 pm High Energy - Thurs.-Sat.
7-8:30 pm Mainstream - Thurs.-Sat.
8:30-10 pm High Energy - Thurs.-Sat.
Mainstream DBD - Thurs. & Fri.

SSD AND LINE DANCING

Ballroom D, Level 2 (SSD will alternate with Lines)

- 6-10 pm Lines/SSD - Alternate

ROUND DANCE SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

8-10 pm Hall 1 Trail End Dance (Sponsor Red River Rounders)

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

10 am Ballroom B Showcase of Rounds

12-12:55 pm Ballroom B Phase 3-4 Clinic Goss Tango
 Ballroom C Phase 5-6 Clinic Eum/Ray Waltz
 Ballroom D Phase 2-3 Clinic Kurchewski Bolero
 Hall 3 Introduction to RD Nickel Waltz

1-5 pm Ballroom B Phase 3-4 Workshops
 Ballroom C Phase 5-6 Workshops

1-5:05 pm Ballroom D Phase 2-3 Workshops

7-10 pm Ballroom B Phase 2-4 Programmed Round Dance
 Ballroom C Phase 4-6 Programmed Round Dance
 Hall 3 (Plus) Rounds in Plus Hall

10-11 pm Ballroom B After Party (Sponsor 75th NSDC)

FRIDAY, JUNE 27

10 am Ballroom B Showcase of Rounds

12-12:55 pm Ballroom B Phase 3-4 Clinic Townsend Manning Waltz
 Ballroom C Phase 5-6 Clinic Ayres Foxtrot
 Ballroom D Phase 2-3 Clinic Hilton Body Mech
 Hall 3 (Plus) Introduction to RD Byars Cha

1-5 pm Ballroom B Phase 3-4 Workshops
 Ballroom C Phase 5-6 Workshops

1-5:05 pm Ballroom D Phase 2-3 Workshops

7-10 pm Ballroom B Phase 2-4 Programmed Round Dance
 Ballroom C Phase 4-6 Programmed Round Dance
 Hall 3 (Plus) Rounds in Plus Hall

10-11 pm Ballroom B After Party (Sponsor ARTS)

SATURDAY, JUNE 28

10 am Ballroom B Showcase of Rounds

12-12:55 pm Ballroom B Phase 3-4 Clinic Ahart Foxtrot
 Ballroom C Phase 5-6 Clinic Robinson Bolero
 Ballroom D Phase 2-3 Clinic Wilaby Merengue
 Hall 3 (Plus) Introduction to RD Sprotsky Two-Step

1-5 pm Ballroom B Phase 3-4 Workshops
 Ballroom C Phase 5-6 Workshops

1-5:05 pm Ballroom D Phase 2-3 Workshops

7-10 pm Ballroom B Phase 2-4 Programmed Round Dance
 Ballroom C Phase 4-6 Programmed Round Dance
 Hall 3 (Plus) Rounds in Plus Hall

10-11 pm Ballroom B After Party (Sponsor 76th NSDC)

CLOGGING SCHEDULE

Location: Level 1, Exhibit Hall #2 (Auditorium)

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

11 am-Noon	Intro to Clogging	Brenda Jordan
3:30-3:45 pm	Clogging Workshop	Alice Havel
3:45-4 pm	Clogging Workshop	Alice Havel
4-5 pm	Clogging Workshop	Cathy Michaels
5-6 pm	Clogging Workshop	Lanita Hammett
6-7 pm	Clogging Workshop	Alice Havel
7-8 pm	Clogging Workshop	Jodi Rodden
8-9 pm	Clogging Fun Dance	Brenda Jordan
9-10 pm	Clogging Fun Dance	Stephanie Griffith

FRIDAY, JUNE 27

10-11 am	Intro to Clogging	Lanita Hammett
12-1 pm	Clogging Workshop	Alice Havel
1-2 pm	Clogging Workshop	Jodi Rodden
3-4 pm	Clogging Workshop	Brenda Jordan
4-5 pm	Clogging Workshop	Cathy Michaels
5-6 pm	Clogging Workshop	Lanita Hammett
6-7 pm	Clogging Workshop	Jodi Rodden
7-8 pm	Clogging Workshop	Alice Havel
8-9 pm	Clogging Fun Dance	Brenda Jordan
9-10 pm	Clogging Fun Dance	Stephanie Griffith

SATURDAY, JUNE 28

9-10 am	Intro to Clogging	Lanita Hammett
10-11 am	Clogging Workshop	Stephanie Griffith
2-3 pm	Clogging Exhibition	*Rocky Top & Cotton-Eyed Joe
3-4:30 pm	Clogging Workshop	Jodi Rodden
7-8 pm	Clogging Workshop	Alice Havel
8-9 pm	Clogging Fun Dance	Brenda Jordan
9-10 pm	Clogging Fun Dance	Cathy Michaels

**Following the Fashion Show*



Cloetta, Stomper make new friends at 'Clogging in the Natural State'



The 74th NSDC's clogging 'gator mascots, Cloetta and Stomper, made several new friends at "Clogging in the Natural State" hosted by the Arkansas Clogging Council the end of April in Mabelvale, AR. These new friends represented Michigan, Indiana, Oklahoma, Kansas, Texas, Tennessee and Arkansas. They were all invited to attend the National Square Dance Convention® at the Shreveport Convention Center on June 25-28, 2025. Three of the clogging workshop instructors for the 74th NSDC also attended "Clogging in the Natural State" - Lanita Hammett, Brenda Jordan, and Alice Havel. Clogging activities at the NSDC include multiple clogging workshops, dances, and a clogging exhibition on Saturday following the Fashion Show. If you've wanted to learn to clog, the 74th NSDC is a fabulous opportunity!

CLOG ON THE WILD SIDE



CONTRA SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, JUNE 24, ROOM 205

6-7:30 pm Energizer Dance Sponsored by Contralab

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, ROOM 205

9:30 am-Noon Contralab Annual Meeting Education

1 pm-3 pm Contralab Annual Meeting—Business

THURSDAY, JUNE 26, ROOM 205

9:45-10 am Howdy Pre-Party

10-11 am Clinic—Introduction to Contra

11-11:30 am Contra Dances (Intro level)

11:30-12 pm Contra Dances

1-2 pm Contra Dances

2-3:30 pm Clinic—Traditional Squares

3:30-5 pm Clinic—Squares of Other Cultures

5:30-7 pm Band set-up and Sound Check

7-8:15 pm Contra Dancing to Live Music

8:15-8:30 pm Band break: 1-2 dances to recorded music

8:30-10 pm Contra Dancing to Live Music

FRIDAY, JUNE 27, ROOM 205

9:45-10 am Howdy Pre-Party

10-11 am Clinic—Introduction to Contra

11-11:30 am Contra Dances (Intro level)

11:30-12 pm Contra Dances

1-2 pm Contra Dances

2-3 pm Clinic—English Country Dance

3-4 pm Clinic—Scottish Country Dance

4-5 pm Contra Dances

5:30-7 pm Band set-up and Sound Check

7-8:15 pm Contra Dancing to Live Music

8:15-8:30 pm Band break: 1-2 dances to recorded music

8:30-10 pm Contra Dancing to Live Music

SATURDAY, JUNE 28, ROOM 205

9:45-10 am Howdy Pre-Party

10-11 am Clinic—Introduction to Contra

11-11:30 am Contra Dances (Intro level)

11:30-12 pm Contra Dances

1-2 pm Contra Dances

2-3 pm Clinic—Triplets

3-4 pm Clinic—Dances for Fewer than 8 Dancers

4-5 pm Clinic—Cajun Dancing

5:30-7 pm Band set-up and Sound Check

7-8:15 pm Contra Dancing to Live Music

8:15-8:30 pm Band break: 1-2 dances to recorded music

8:30-10 pm Contra Dancing to Live Music

*We have a full day
of Contra dancing
and clinics, live
music in the evening!*

Live Lively - Contra Dance



**CONTRALAB'S
FREE**

ENERGIZER DANCE

**6 - 7:45 PM
TUESDAY JUNE 24
ROOM 205**

**WARM UP WITH
FREE CONTRA DANCING
BEFORE THE 8 PM TRAIL END DANCE**

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Keep in mind that, although **there are no square dance lessons offered at the 74th NSDC**, there is contra dancing in Room 205 which does **not** require lessons. Contra will teach you about 33 basic square dance moves. At Contra Dances, we suggest you dance with an experienced contra dancer first, until you feel comfortable. "Intro to Contra" workshops will be offered each morning at 10 am in Room 205!

Opportunities to Square Dance on the Wild Side!

Want to spice up your square dancing while at the 74th NSDC? Check the convention schedule for not just the traditional SSD, Mainstream, Plus and Challenge dances, but also all these fun sessions!

- *Mainstream & Plus Hex Squares*
- *High Energy Mainstream*
- *High Energy Plus*
- *Scooter Squares*
- *Beyond the Ordinary**
- *Scillian Circles*
- *Six Couple Squares*
- *Last Square Standing*

Want to expand your dance skills? We have several introductory workshops to choose from:

- *Introduction to Square Dance*
- *Introduction to Hex*
- *Advance & Advance 1*
- *Plus & Plus DBD***
- *Challenge 1 & 2*
- *Lines*
- *Mainstream, Mainstream DBD** & Mainstream Hex*

*Beyond the Ordinary is similar to DBD but extends the calls/concepts out more.

This makes a more interesting dance level.

**Dance by Definition (DBD)

Refer to the 74th NSDC Daily Schedules and Mobile App for latest info

REGISTER AT WWW.74NSDC.COM

LAST SQUARE STANDING

DATE:

Friday, June 27

TIME:

12 - 1:30 p.m.
until there's
only one
square left!



LOCATION:

Level 1,
Exhibit Hall 3
(Variety Hall)

CALLERS:

Jet Roberts
& Charlie
Robertson

Get a square together for the exciting Last Square Standing Competition at the 74th NSDC in Shreveport, LA!

HERE'S THE COMPETITION SQUARES RULES:

1. All individuals of the group (each square) must be registered for the 74th National Square Dance Convention® and wear an official convention badge.
2. A Competition Registration Form can be picked up at the Dance Leader Coordination Room on Level 1 in Exhibit Hall 3 (Variety Hall) where the competition will take place one hour before the competition begins. Each group must submit a completed form prior to competition start.
3. The Competition Registration Form will require the name of the group, the name of the group leader, the names of the eight dancers, and the name of the 9th person to serve as an Event Judge.
4. There will be one practice tip at 11:30 a.m. in Exhibit Hall 3. It is recommended that the group practice during the DBD sessions. Please refer to the daily schedule in case of any change in location and time.
5. The competition will be called at the Mainstream program according to the CALLERLAB list.
6. The contest will consist of two parts. The first heat will be a timed event. The final heat will be judged as last man standing using a prerecorded tape.

7. All contestants must check in prior to the practice tip which will begin at 11:30 a.m. in Exhibit Hall 3 (Variety Hall).
8. You will not be assigned the Judge you brought. At the end of each session, the Event Judge will rotate to a new square. Your Event Judge should be impartial and is encouraged NOT to be a close friend, family member, dance partner, fellow club member, etc.
9. The **first heat** is a timed event. There will be three 10-minute sessions with a short break in between. During this session, the amount of down time will be clocked by an Event Judge. The winner will be the group with the least amount of downtime. Down time starts when the square breaks down and will end when (1) the square starts dancing again, (2) the square is in proper dance position, and (3) that sequence ends, and the dancers return to their home position. (Proper dance position will be two couple facing lines along the side walls with a beau to the left of the belle).
10. At the end of each session, the down time will be recorded on your team's score sheet. At the end of the heat, the group's score sheet will be submitted to the Event table. Scores will be tallied.
11. The number of groups moving to the final round will be determined at the start of the competition and will be dependent upon the number of submissions.
12. The **final heat** will be "last man standing" and will use a prerecorded tape. Each group will square up and the recorded caller will start easy and get more difficult. When a square breaks down they will be timed until they start dancing or return to proper dance position. If they are not dancing or in proper dance position for longer than 10 beats of music, they will be given a yellow card. If the square keeps dancing but does not resolve at home correctly, they will receive a yellow card. On the second breakdown they will be given a red card and eliminated from the competition.
13. Groups must agree to stop dancing and leave the floor if a judge gives the red card, even if you disagree with the ruling. Groups should move toward the judges table for additional instructions and for final awards.
14. In the event of a tie during the final heat, the team with the lowest time during the first heat will be awarded first place.

Dancers are encouraged to wear accepted square dance attire.

WANT SIGN UP INFORMATION OR HAVE QUESTIONS?

Contact Tom Davis, 74th NSDC Vice Chairman of Square Dance, at TomD55@live.com.

A registration form will be available soon.

(Source: United Square Dancers of America, Publication IS-067, www.usda.org)

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NSDC BID SESSION

Where Are
We Going
for the
77th NSDC
in 2028?

Friday, June 27 • 9 AM
Shreveport Convention Center
Exhibit Hall 2 (Auditorium)

If you are participating in the Leadership Certification Program the morning Bid Session is one of two mandatory convention events to attend. The second is the Keynote Address.

Attend the electrifying Bid Session as the potential host city makes their proposal. Hear about this future convention city, facilities, and why you don't want to miss the National Square Dance Convention® in 2028!

An official announcement will be made during the Closing Ceremonies on Saturday, June 28, at 5 p.m. in Exhibit Hall 2 (Auditorium) concerning the results of the Bid Session.

DANCE CLINICS • DANCE CLINICS • DANCE CLINICS

74th NSDC identifies clinicians* for Shreveport



CLOGGING

Intro to Clogging: Lanita Hammett
Intro to Clogging: Brenda Jordan



CONTRA

Intro to Contra: Betsy Gotta
Intro to Contra: Dottie Welch
Intro to Contra: Lissa Bengtson



ROUND DANCE

Intro to Waltz: Kathy & Tom Nickel
Intro to Bolero: Kay & Bob Kurczewski
Intro to Intermediate Foxtrot:
Carolyn & Tony Ahart
Picture Figures: Tim Eum & Shirley Ray
Intro to Cha: Erin Byars
Body Mechanics: Pat & Joe Hilton
Intermediate Bolero: Mary & Bob
Townsend-Manning
Foxtrot 5: Fred & Linda Ayres
Intro to 2 Step: Natalie Sprosty
& Doug Sprosty
Intro to Merengue: Terri & Tim Wilaby
Tango: Bill & Carol Goss
Bolero: Paul & Linda Robinson



SQUARE DANCE

Intro to Mainstream DBD: Shawn Brown
Intro to Plus: Nick Hartley
Intro to Plus: Ken Burke
Intro to MS Hex Dancing: Tom Davis
Smooth Dancing: Tony Oxendine
Smooth Dancing: Larry Marchese
Intro to Plus DBD: Eric Henerlau
Intro to Plus DBD: Ted Lizotte
Intro to Plus Hex Dancing:
Dan Sahlstrom
Intro to Advanced Dancing: Jet Roberts
Intro to Challenge Dancing (C1):
Travis Cook
Intro to Challenge Dancing (C1):
Jeremy Butler
Intro to Challenge Dancing (C2):
Ken Rittucci
Intro to Kaleidoscope Squares:
Buddy Weaver
Intro to Sicilian Circle: Jack Pladdys

Check the convention's Dailies and
Mobile App upon arrival for clinic times.
Signs will be posted outside clinic rooms.

**Subject to change*

Vice-Chairman for Clinics Nelda Eaton is looking for volunteers to serve as Clinic Directors during the 74th National Square Dance Convention[®]. The primary duties of these directors will be to introduce the clinician and count the number of participants and spectators. If you are available during the mornings and/or afternoons and would like to help, contact Nelda at 903-278-8068 or via email at EatonSDCaller@gmail.com. The 74th NSDC will be held June 25-28, 2025 in the Shreveport Convention Center.



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Education Class Schedule at a Glance



Attend Gator University: Take a bite out of your leadership goals

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

Ed. Event	10 AM	Keynote Address (Oxendine)	Auditorium
Ed. Panel	12 PM	Organizational Roundtable	Auditorium
Ed. Seminar	12 PM	So You Want to be a Caller (Ritucci & Robertson)	201
Ed. Seminar	12 PM	So You Want to be Cuer (Herr)	202
Ed. Seminar	12 PM	Contra Dances Through History & Cultures (Bengston & Welch)	203
Ed. Seminar	1:15 PM	How to Be an Effective Club Caller (Miller & Davis)	201
Ed. Seminar	1:15 PM	Add Pizazz to Your Dance (Greene & Byars)	202
Ed. Seminar	1:15 PM	Use of Music: Developing Your Singing Call (Kaaria & Cook)	203
Ed. Seminar	2:30 PM	How to Be an Insurance Coordinator (Sanders)	201
Ed. Seminar	2:30 PM	Square Dancing Around Social Media Marketing (Hubbert)	202
Ed. Panel	2:30 PM	Exhibition Square Dancing (Schmidt, Kidwell, Cummings, Williamson)	203
Ed. Seminar	3:45 PM	Toolkit for Club Leaders (Ebright)	201
Ed. Seminar	3:45 PM	Welcome to Shreveport: Dancing on the Wild Side (Hofmeister)	202
Ed. Seminar	3:45 PM	Basic Sight Calling: Moving Dancers from Point A-Point B with Purpose (Jones & Butler)	203

FRIDAY, JUNE 27

NEC Event	9 AM	Bid Session (National Executive Committee)	Auditorium
Ed. Seminar	10:15 AM	Creating Colorful Flyers (Reed)	201
Ed. Seminar	10:15 AM	How to Build a Sustainable Club (Weaver)	202
Ed. Seminar	10:15 AM	Teaching Tips, Workshop & Extended Apps. for Enjoyable Dancing (Pladdys & Braffet)	203
Ed. Seminar	12 PM	Emergency Plans at a Dance: Is Your Club Prepared? (McIntosh)	201
Ed. Panel	12 PM	ARTS Marketing Tools (Byars, Streby, Taylor)	202
Ed. Seminar	12 PM	How to Use Music to Better Sell Your Dance (Bennett & Weaver)	203
Ed. Seminar	1:15 PM	Square Dancing's Future: An Update on the Proposal (Lizotte)	201
Ed. Seminar	1:15 PM	Add Pizazz to Your Dance (Greene & Byars)	202
Ed. Seminar	1:15 PM	Starting and Maintaining a Home School Club (Barnes)	203
Ed. Seminar	2:30 PM	The ABCs of Hosting a National Convention (McClure)	201
Ed. Seminar	2:30 PM	How to Be an Insurance Coordinator (Sanders)	202
Ed. Seminar	2:30 PM	Showmanship: Microprogramming a Tip (Gotta & Russell)	203
Ed. Seminar	3:45 PM	Mechanics of Great Teaching: How to Be an Effective Teacher (Lizotte & Sahlstrom)	201
Ed. Panel	3:45 PM	USDA 501(c)(3) Program (Maczko, Inglis, Taylor)	202
Ed. Seminar	3:45 PM	Benefits of Contra with Square Dancing (Bengston & Welch)	203

SATURDAY, JUNE 28

Ed. Seminar	10 AM	Emergency Plans at a Dance: Is Your Club Prepared? (McIntosh)	201
Ed. Seminar	10 AM	Creating a College Square Dance Club (Lizotte)	202
Ed. Seminar	10 AM	Dancer Smoothness, Style & Etiquette (Miller & Johnson)	203
Ed. Seminar	11:15 AM	Square Dancing Around Social Media Marketing (Hubbert)	201
Ed. Seminar	11:15 AM	We're Going to Waco Ya!!! (Lester)	202
Ed. Seminar	11:15 AM	Competitive Square Dancing: Huntsman World Sr. Games (Mattson & Weaver)	203
Ed. Panel	1 PM	Programs Available Through ARTS (Byars & Taylor)	201
Ed. Seminar	1 PM	Toolkit for Club Leaders (Ebright)	202
Ed. Seminar	1 PM	Modular Calling: Your New Best Friend (Oxendine & Greene)	203

EDUCATION CLASSROOM SCHEDULE

With Leadership Certification Program (LCP) Designations

(LCP: Attend 2 Mandatory Sessions; Choose 4 Core Sessions; and Choose 2 Elective Sessions)

Thursday, June 26				
Time	LCP	Title	Room	Presenter(s)
10:00 – 11:00 AM	Mandatory	Keynote Address: Leadership – Being Someone Who Makes Our Hobby Better	Auditorium	Tony Oxendine
<p>What is leadership and what does it really mean? What are the benefits of being a leader, both for you and for those that you lead? Leadership IS for everyone and being a leader doesn't have to consume your life.</p>				
12:00 – 2:00 PM	Elective	Organizational Round Table	Auditorium	Moderator: Bonnie Abramson
<p>Do you have youth in your area who have time on their hands and need something to do? If so - get them interested in square dancing! Invite them to demos or your local dance club to show them the fun they can have! Our topics will include where and how youth have been recruited; things that have been successful with youth groups in various states and regions; proper etiquette for youth when dancing at a regular square dance; and ideas as to when youth dancers can let loose and create havoc with their friends! The session will also cover the competition options in the Pacific Northwest, including how they prepare and cover their expenses. Various outlets for scholarships will also be shared. <i>Panelists: Matt Barnes, Dan Preedy, Dan Reedy, Marilyn Schmit.</i></p>				
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Elective	So You Want to be a Caller	201	Ken Ritucci & Charlie Robertson
<p>This session will provide valuable information and guidance to newer callers and to dancers who may be thinking about learning to call. The staff will concentrate on the basic skills needed and ways to gain experience to become a better caller. Self-study and improvement techniques, materials, and skills will be covered.</p>				
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Elective	So You Want to be a Cuer	202	John & Karen Herr
<p>This session will explore what it is like to become a cuer – the pros and cons, the ins and outs, and more. Attendees will have the opportunity to try a little cueing with the help and coaching of the presenters. There will also be time for questions and answers and group discussion. Come give it a try – you will have some fun!</p>				
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Elective	Contra Dances Thru History & Cultures	203	Lissa Bengston & Dottie Welch
<p>Come learn about the evolution of contra dances from their European origin to their current usage within various cultures. You will have a chance to both watch and participate in a sampling of contra figures across history.</p>				
1:15 – 2:15 PM	Core	How to be an Effective Club Caller	201	Bear Miller & Tom Davis
<p>Gain insights into the unique skills needed to thrive as a club caller, from understanding the dynamics of your group to tailoring your calling to create an enjoyable atmosphere.</p>				
1:15 – 2:15 PM	Core	Add Pizazz to Your Dance	202	Patty Greene & Erin Byars
<p>Looking for a way to add variety and fun to your club dances? Try a theme dance every once in a while! It can be as simple as a "Wear Your Favorite T Shirt" dance, or as elaborate as a Roaring 20's dance. Join us as we share theme ideas and simple ways to keep club dances engaging and fresh while encouraging your dancers AND callers and cuers to participate. We'll provide ideas to get you started and share ideas that have worked for you!</p>				
1:15 – 2:15 PM	Elective	Use of Music: Developing Your Singing Call	203	Shauna Kaaria & Travis Cook
<p>Singing calls make up 50% of your dance program, and selecting the right song is key to creating the desired atmosphere. This session will guide you through the process of choosing the perfect song, building choreography that complements the music, and applying best practices to ensure smooth transitions and engaging performances.</p>				

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Thursday, June 26 (continued)				
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3:45 – 4:45 PM	Elective	Welcome to Shreveport: "Dancing on the Wild Side"	202	Ted & Tonia Hofmeister
<p>You made it to Shreveport! Whether this is your 1st National Convention or your 50th a great way to start out the event is by hearing about everything there is for you to see and do! The 74th National Square Dance Convention® offers lots of dancing, of course, but also plenty of other activities including Tours, Education Sessions, Exhibitions, Vendors, Sewing and Craft Classes, Evening Ceremonies, Keynote Address, Organizational Roundtable, and much more. Come hear the "ins and outs" of the 74th NSDC from the General Chairman.</p>				
3:45 – 4:45 PM	Elective	Basic Sight Calling - Moving dancers from Point A to Point B with Purpose	203	Vernon Jones & Jeremy Butler
<p>Master the fundamentals of sight calling. Focus on keeping the dancers moving while ensuring each sequence flows naturally and purposefully.</p>				

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9:00 – 10:00 AM	<i>Mandatory</i>	<i>Bid Session</i>	<i>Auditorium</i>	<i>National Executive Committee</i>
Where will we go in 2027 and beyond for our favorite annual activity? This is your chance to hear the plans from cities bidding for upcoming National Square Dance Conventions®!				
10:15 – 11:15 AM	Core	Creating Colorful Flyers	201	John Reed
Do you struggle with Technology? Have you tried to create a flyer for your club event and it's boring? Do you see the flyers being left on tables and wonder how they made them look so good? Come see one way of creating flyers that stand out. It's easier than you think.				
10:15 – 11:15 AM	Core	How to Build a Sustainable Club	202	Buddy Weaver
Geared toward club leaders and members, this session focuses on key elements such as effective member recruitment and retention, adapting to changing demographics, and fostering square dance community engagement. Whether you are revitalizing an existing club or starting a new one, this session will provide actionable tools to grow a sustainable club for years to come.				
10:15 – 11:15 AM	Elective	Theme Tips: Teaching Tips, Workshop, & Extended Applications for Enjoyable Dancing	203	Jack Pladdys & Curt Braffet
Explore effective teaching strategies for two different calls. Learn how to apply these calls to build dancer confidence and improve the variety of dancing at lessons, workshops, and dances				
11:00 – 12:00 PM	Elective	History of Square Dancing	Auditorium	California Heritage Dancers
Have you ever wondered how modern Western square dancing became a uniquely American dance form? This session will take you back in American history and demonstrate the evolution of square dancing from its roots in Colonial America, to its travels with the pioneers across the frontiers, to its revitalization in the early- to mid-1900s. The California Heritage Dancers will present segments of their historic dances interspersed with commentary that situate the emerging dance moves in key periods of American History. You won't want to miss this energetic and interactive session!				
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Core	Emergency Plans at a Dance: Is Your Club Prepared?	201	Lorri McIntosh, RN
Accidents happen - are your club and dancers prepared? This session will discuss emergency interventions in case of a fall or other medical emergency at a dance. These procedures include the responsibilities of dancers, callers, and observers - including what TO do and what NOT to do. The session will also include examples of emergency plans / notebooks that clubs have found effective to have on hand at every dance.				
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Core	ARTS Marketing Tools	202	Erin Byars, Michael Streyby, Jim & Judy Taylor
This seminar will include a brief history of the ARTS organization, why ARTS was formed, goals, accomplishments, and the Re-Imaged Re-Image Project. We are proud to share our most recent accomplishment: a series of 90-second videos which can be used to promote and market dance activities on your website and social media. We will demonstrate the videos and how they complement the CALLERLAB videos. Come learn about these new tools for promoting dance activity growth in your organization. If you are interested in helping the activity grow, please attend and share your thoughts.				
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Elective	How to Use Music to Better Sell Your Dance	203	Scott Bennett & Buddy Weaver
Music is the bridge between the caller and the dancers, setting the tone and atmosphere of the dance. This session will focus on how to effectively choose and use your music to connect with dancers. Learn techniques to match your vocal delivery with the rhythm and style of the music for a more engaging and dynamic performance.				

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FRIDAY, JUNE 27 (continued)				
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1:15 – 2:15 PM	Core	Square Dancing's Future: An Update on the "Proposal"	201	Ted Lizotte
With a few exceptions, the building blocks of the Square Dance Activity have remained relatively unchanged for almost 40 years. This session will provide an update on the status of CALLERLAB's Proposal and when the vote to accept or reject the Proposal will occur. This Proposal amounts to a first step to help prolong the existence of our activity for future generations.				
1:15 – 2:15 PM	Core	Add Pizazz to Your Dance	202	Erin Byars & Patty Greene
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2:30 – 3:30 PM	Elective	The ABCs of Hosting a National Square Dance Convention®	201	Louis & Angie McClure
To continue the enjoyment of the National Square Dance Conventions® organizations are needed to volunteer to bid and host a National Convention. This session will provide information about the process for bidding to host a National Square Dance Convention®. Learn what is expected, the timeline needed to prepare, and resources available to help you submit a successful bid for a National Convention.				
2:30 – 3:30 PM	Core	How to be an Insurance Coordinator	202	Elizabeth Sanders
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2:30 – 3:30 PM	Elective	Showmanship: Microprogramming a Tip	203	Betsy Gotta & Justin Russell
Learn the art of microprogramming by focusing on small but impactful elements that elevate your showmanship while calling. Get tips on timing, pacing, and adding personal flair to your calling.				
3:45 – 4:45 PM	Elective	The Mechanics of Great Teaching: How to be an Effective Teacher	201	Ted Lizotte & Dan Sahstrom
This session breaks down the elements of teaching square dancing, including clear communication, engaging practice techniques, and adapting to various learner needs. Build your skills to inspire and guide new dancers effectively.				
3:45 – 4:45 PM	Core	USDA 501(c)(3) Program	202	Jim Maczko, Pat Inglis, Jim & Judy Taylor
USDA invites dancers, club officers, and members to learn more about the United Square Dancers of America Nonprofit Group Exemption Program obtained from the Internal Revenue Service. The USDA has the designation as a Group Exemption Administrator affording its Affiliate Organizations or Associate Member groups the opportunity to obtain IRS 50(c)(3) Nonprofit Status directly through USDA rather than having to deal with the IRS.				
3:45 – 4:45 PM	Elective	Benefits of Contra with Square Dancing	203	Lissa Bengston & Dottie Welch
This active session will involve both discussion and demonstration of how contras can assist with teaching calls, provide flexibility for awkward numbers of dancers, and increase variety without adding difficulty.				

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<p>MIT has had a square dance club since 1967. In their 58 years of existence, they have had only 4 callers. The longest-tenured caller is their current caller, Ted Lizotte, who has been calling for the club since 1997. During this presentation, Ted will discuss the basics of how Tech Squares functions today as a club, and within the confines of the college where they dance. If you've ever asked yourself if trying to get a dance club at a school or university is for you - this may be the session for you to attend.</p>				
10:00 – 11:00 AM	Elective	Dancer Smoothness, Style, & Etiquette	203	Barry Johnson
<p>This session focuses on helping dancers enhance their dance experience through smooth movements, stylistic choices, and proper etiquette. Learn how to make the dance floor experience enjoyable for everyone involved.</p>				
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11:15 – 12:15 PM	Elective	"We're Going to Waco, Ya'll!"	202	Gary & Claudia Lester
<p>Join us for an overview of the 75th National Square Dance Convention® "Diamond Jubilee" in Waco, Texas. This is going to be a Convention like no other! Gary and Claudia Lester, General Chairman, will take you on a digital tour of the things there are to do in Waco including tours, historic homes, points of interest, outstanding Mexican food, and "All things Magnolia." They will also share some very unique events planned during the Convention. To make the most of your time in Texas, make sure you attend this class</p>				
11:15 – 12:15 PM	Elective	Competitive Square Dancing at the Huntsman World Senior Games	203	Neil & Marly Mattson, & Buddy Weaver
<p>Did you know that you - as a square dancer - are an ATHLETE and can compete at the Huntsman World Senior Games? It's true! In addition to one morning of competition, there are four days of square and round dancing to National callers and cuers. Competition in square dancing is OPTIONAL! In this class you will find out about the Huntsman World Senior Games, the rules of competition, and experience what competition is like by participating in our "Competition Demo." Learn how you can win your GOLD MEDAL!</p>				

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1:00 – 2:00 pm	Elective	Programs Available Through ARTS	201	Erin Byars & Jim & Judy Taylor
<p>This seminar will focus on dance/class promotion materials available through the ARTS. Some materials have been created by the ARTS and some were created by other groups and individuals. The materials include: 1) Sample flyers/posters, 2) Reasons to Dance, Sample Handout Cards, and 3) Comments and information on recruiting and retaining dancers. Samples will be available along with instructions on how to obtain these materials. If you want to learn about promotion materials you can use, this is where you should be, please attend and share your thoughts.</p>				
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<p>Unlock the power of modular calling to add flexibility and creativity to your repertoire. Learn how to break down your calling into manageable parts, making your calls more dynamic and adaptable.</p>				

The **74th NSDC app** will be available anywhere from 1-2 weeks before the convention. You can only purchase it from your App Store. The app is great, because it is updated constantly.

There are several great features, which include:

Ability to “**star**” events that you want.

Find local restaurants, pharmacies, churches.

Share between partners if in the same registration.

And so many other things!

New education classes being offered at the 74th NSDC in Shreveport

The Education Committee for the 74th National Square Dance Convention® in Shreveport is excited to announce the addition of six new classes. They are:

1. **Emergency Intervention for a Fallen Dancer** - This class will discuss what the emergency interventions are for a dancer who has fallen. It will list the responsibilities of dancers, callers, and observers as well as what to do and what not to do.

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Check out future issues of *National Squares* e-Magazine for the schedule of all Education Classes, including the classes above. Make sure to check your Program Book Dailies upon arrival at the Convention for any last minute changes.

Got the shopping bug while at the 74th NSDC?

Check some of these area shopping malls



- **Mall St. Vincent**, 1133 St. Vincent Ave., #200, Shreveport: features approximately 50 retail stores and restaurants including Dillard's, H&M, Bath & Body Works, Footlocker, Victoria's Secret, and Shoe Dept. For more information and a store directory, go to <https://www.mallstvincent.com>.

- **Pierre Bossier Mall**, 2950 E Texas St., Bossier City: includes over 35 retail stores and restaurants such as Dillard's and JC Penney, Bath & Body Works, Victoria's Secret, Forever 21, Aeropostale, Claire's, Hallmark Gold Crown, Prestige Men's Wear, and Shoe Dept. For additional details go to <https://www.pierrebossiermall.com>.

- **Shoppes at Bellemead**, 6535 Youree Dr., Shreveport: visit more than 20 shops, local boutiques and restaurants, including eateries – Casa Cantina, Chicken Salad Chick, Buttercups Cupcakes; and national retailers - Chico's, J. Jill, J Crew Factory, Merle Norman, Sonoma Intimates, White House Black Market, and Talbot's. See store information and hours at <https://shoppesatbellemead.com>.

- **Louisiana Boardwalk**, 540 Boardwalk Boulevard, Bossier City just across the Red River from the Shreveport Convention Center: check out the outlets and major stores along the boardwalk including Bass Pro Shops, Bath & Body Works, Carter's, The Children's Place, Under Armour, Build-A-Bear Workshop, Rack Room Shoes, or catch a movie at Regal Cinema. Dine at Joe's Crab Shack, Hooters, Sushiko Sushi & Grill, or Saltgrass Steak House, grab some ice cream at Cold Stone Creamery or indulge your sweet tooth at The Chocolate Crocodile. For details go to <https://www.louisianaboardwalk.com>, to access the movie schedule visit <https://www.regmovies.com>.



SUPPORT THE 74TH NSDC's WILD SIDE VENDORS!

LOCATION

Exhibit Hall 1



HOURS

Thursday-Friday

10 am to 10 pm

Saturday

10 am to 9 pm

Tag-Em! Engraving <i>Bruce and Wanda Carter</i>	Dripping Springs, TX 512-894-3634 wcdrip@gmail.com
Hilton Audio Products of Texas <i>Stephen and Theresa Chauvin</i>	The Woodlands, TX 832-797-0626 chauvins@comcast.net
Brantley's Western Supply <i>Peggy and James Brantley</i>	Rainsville, AL 256-638-4360 brantleys2@farmerstel.com
Sew-Em-Up Fashions <i>Nancy and Tom Pustinger</i>	Roebuck, SC 864-978-3984 Nancy1tom@att.net
Boone Healthy Living <i>John and Tamsen Boone</i>	Liburn, GA 770-842-3935 Tamsenboone4@gmail.com
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Caller Training Program <i>John Carlton, Ralph Trout</i>	San Antonio, TX 210-521-4044 john_r_carlton@hotmail.com
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Red River Leather <i>Johnny Hughes</i>	Lecompte, LA 318-294-3483 redriverleather@gmail.com

We are excited to welcome Red River Leather and Hilton Audio Products of Texas to the 74th National Square Dance ConventionSM!

Check out all the "jawsome" vendors who will be in Shreveport, LA on June 25-28, 2025! Whether you are seeking new dance clothing or shoes, a distinctive piece of jewelry, badges, accessories, dance leader material or more, stop by the vendor area to "Shop on the Wild Side" in the Shreveport Convention Center. For more information, contact Rod and Kathy Busby, the 74th NSDC Vice Chairmen for Vendors, at kebusby2001@yahoo.com.

74th NSDC Vendor Area Layout in Exhibit Hall 1

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Boone Healthy Living		Red River Leather

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Brantley's Western Supply	Maverick Man/ Kat's Artisan Jewelry	Rockinfeet LLC

← Plus

Tag-EM! Engraving		Women's Dressing Room	Sew-Em-Up Fashions

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Entrance

CALLERLAB	Khatija's Heritage Design	Le Belle Design
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74th NSDC's PROPOSED DANCE CLINICS

INTRO TO CONTRA

INTRO TO CLOGGING

ROUND DANCE CLINICS

- Intro to Waltz
- Intro to Cha
- Intro to 2-Step
- Intro to Merengue (Phase 2/3)
- Body Mechanics (Phase 2/3)
- Bolero (Intro, Phase 4, Phase 5)
- Feathers Make a Foxtrot (Phase 3/4)
- Picture Figures (Phase 3/4; Phase 5/6)
- Foxtrot (Phase 5)

SQUARE DANCE CLINICS

- Intro to Mainstream (MS) Dance By Definition (DBD)
- Intro to Plus
- Intro to Plus DBD
- Intro to Advanced Dancing
- Intro to Challenge Dancing (C1)
- Intro to Challenge Dancing (C2)
- Intro to MS Hex Dancing
- Intro to Plus Hex Dancing
- Smooth Dancing
- Intro to Kaleidoscope Squares
- Intro to Sicilian Circle

Vice-Chairman for Clinics Nelda Eaton is looking for volunteers to serve as Clinic Directors during the 74th National Square Dance Convention®. The primary duties of these directors will be to introduce the clinician and count the number of participants and spectators. If you are available during the mornings and/or afternoons and would like to help, contact Nelda at 903-278-8068 or via email at EatonSDCaller@gmail.com. The 74th NSDC will be held June 25-28, 2025 in the Shreveport Convention Center.

FASCINATING CONTRA CLINICS

ROOM 205

DANCES FROM THE ROOTS OF
CONTRA DANCING & INTERESTING
VARIATIONS

Intro to Contra Thurs-Fri-Sat 10-11 am

We'll cover the basics, explain some of the history and how contra dancing is different from square dancing.



Traditional Squares Thursday 2-3:30 pm

Fun squares still done in contra groups across the world. You'll know some of them, and delight in new ones.

Squares of Other Cultures Thursday 3:30 -5 pm

We'll learn squares popular in the folk traditions of Scotland, Germany, Switzerland, Mexico, Canada

English Country Dancing Fri 2-3 pm Scottish Country Dancing Fri 3-4 pm

Experience the romance of dance during Jane Austen's time, or the time of Bridgerton. Then, two members of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society will teach some rollicking Scottish set dances and elegant strathspeys.

Triplets Saturday 2-3 pm

Dances for 3 couples exist in many dance traditions and are very handy for starting a dance before the whole crowd shows up.

Dances for Fewer than 8 Saturday 3-4 pm

In addition to triplets, many dances exist for 5 and 7 dancers. If time allows we'll explore 9- and 10-person dances as well.

Cajun Dancing Saturday 4-5 pm

Show us your best traditional Cajun as well as Zydeco steps. Relax and have fun. Crawdads and boudin not required.



74th National
Square Dance
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presents an
Organizational
Roundtable

Youth Dancing... **Do's and Don'ts**

Thursday,
June 26,
2025
12-2 p.m.



**Shreveport
Convention Center**
Exhibit Hall #2 (Auditorium)

PANELISTS

USDA Youth Advisor Dan Reedy from Van Buren, AR
Marilyn Schmit from Dallas, OR
Caller Matt Barnes from College Station, TX
Dan Preedy from Colbert, WA
Moderator Bonnie Abramson from Sacramento, CA

Special Topics:

- USDA youth promo materials and Youth Scholarship Program
- Successful youth programs
- Networking/social media for youth
- Homeschool clubs vs non-home clubs
- Blast classes for youth
- Summer/square dance camps
- Permission slips and agreements when traveling with youth

Make plans to attend this important discussion!

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(from left to right)
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Landon Norman,
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Square Dance Federation of New England

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WASCA

Don't miss an opportunity to share your promotions & success stories! Only 9 tables left. For information, contact Marilyn Schmit, Director - Showcase of Ideas, at froggydancer@live.com.

Enjoy stepping back in time to the...

NEC ARCHIVES ROOM

Shreveport Convention Center, Level 2, Room 204

Add a visit to the NEC Archives Room to your “Must Do List” while at the 74th National Square Dance Convention[®]

What can you do in the NEC Archives Room?

- Explore the history of the National Square Dance Convention[®]
- Examine Program Books from past conventions
- View the customized belt buckles commemorating past conventions and their themes
- Learn about the National Executive Committee’s green suits that were worn for many years by members of the NEC
- View the colorful badges provided for dancers at past national conventions
- Visit daily to see what the mascots from previous conventions are up to, they have their own reunion and prepared daily activities at the mascot display



What will you find?

- Program books dating back to the very first NSDC
 - NEC retired “Green Suit” exhibit
 - Reunion display of previous national convention mascots
 - Handmade 1970s quilt with signatures of many past, present callers
 - Displays of belt buckles and badges from previous conventions, do you have one that is missing from the archives you would like to donate?
- Tables and chairs will be available to sit and browse

NEC ARCHIVES ROOM HOURS:

**Thursday, June 26 – 10 am-5 pm & 7-9 pm; Friday, June 27 – 10 am-5 pm and 7-9 pm;
Saturday, June 28 – 10 am-3 pm**

Volunteers will be needed throughout the 74th NSDC in the Archives Room. If you are able to donate an hour or two to help answer visitor questions and monitor the safety of the items, please email Everett and Tina Kelly, Directors – NEC Archives Room, at EKelly1948@yahoo.com or TKelly1949@yahoo.com.

Sew & Save with the 74th NSDC

✂ Hours of Operation:

- Thursday, June 26 – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Friday, June 27 – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. & 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Saturday, June 28 – 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

✂ Location:

- Level 2, Room 208 – Sew & Save
- Level 2, Room 209 – Sewing Education
- Level 2, Room 210 – Main Education Office



✂ Sew & Save Booklet: The Sew & Save Booklet will be available via flash drive at the 74th NSDC's Ways and Means table. The cost is \$15 each.

✂ Door Prizes: Make sure to stop by Sew & Save for an opportunity to win from a selection of beautiful and unique door prizes!

✂ Sewing Workshops: The following workshops will be offered through Sew & Save -

- Using the Circle Skirt Template
- Asymmetric Panels
- Invisible Zippers
- Piping & Cording Techniques
- 20-Minute Table Runner



Giveaways - Key Fob, Luggage Tag,
Cord/Earphone Holder



- Been There, Re-Done That: Re-Style, Re-Size, Re-Hab, Upsize, Downsize

✂ Make & Take Sessions: We have three sessions already set, others may be announced –

- Fabric Decorated Plates
- Scandinavian Stars (55 packets have been prepared and are ready to go, along with instruction sheets)
- Beaded Friendship Bracelets (being taught by a youth dancer)
- Saturday Only – “Last Chance” to work on any Make & Take projects (*while supplies last*)

✂ Pattern Samples: There will be a wide selection of patterns available for tracing – blouses, skirts, vests, sleeves, yokes, ties, etc. The Sew & Save Committee will complete various pattern pieces to give you a better idea of what a finished product might look like. The sewn pieces will forward to the next convention to create a traveling Sew & Save exhibit. Each year's committee will add to the collection of finished sample items.

✂ Giveaways: We will have a variety of giveaways at the 74th NSDC to share when you visit Sew & Save (*while supplies last*). Items include -

- Luggage Tags
- Kleenex Holders
- Bookmarks
- Small Cosmetic Bags
- Fabric Wristlet Key Fobs
- Cord Wranglers (to wrap charging cords, wired earphones, etc.)
- Pen/Pencil Holders for Journals, Calendars, etc.



Giveaways –
Bookmark,
Travel Size
Tissue Cover,
Cosmetic Bag

✂ Repair Station: A Janome Sewing Machine and general sewing supplies will be on hand for use in making minor repairs during the convention.

**Hours and information subject to change. Check the Daily Schedules and Mobile App upon arrival, Signs will also be posted outside rooms for your convenience*

Sew & Save

Schedule of Events*

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

10-11 am	Sewing Seminar: 20-Minute Table Runner	Cindy McLaren
12-1 pm	Make & Take Project	
2-3 pm	Sewing Seminar: Been There – Redone That	Karen Gatherer
4-5 pm	Make & Take Project: Friendship Bracelets	
5-7 pm	Sewing Room Closed for Dinner	
7-8 pm	Sewing Seminar	
9 pm	Sewing Room Closed for Evening	

FRIDAY, JUNE 27

10-11 am	Sewing Seminar: Using the Circle Skirt Template	Karen Reichardt
12-1 pm	Make & Take Project: Scandinavian Star Ornament	Bonnie Abramson
2-3 pm	Sewing Seminar: Asymmetric Panels	Karen Reichardt
4-5 pm	Make & Take Project: Fabric Decorative Plates	Bonnie Abramson
5-7 pm	Sewing Room Closed for Dinner	
7-8 pm	Sewing Seminar	
8-9 pm	Door Prize Drawings: Winners will be Posted Saturday Morning	
9 pm	Sewing Room Closed for Evening	

SATURDAY, JUNE 28

7:30-8:30 am	Wrap-Up Sessions – Closed to Public	NEC
10-11 am	Sewing Seminar: Piping and Cording Techniques	Karen Reichardt
11:30-12:30 pm	Make & Take Project: Second Chance on Leftover Projects	
1:30-2:30 pm	Sewing Seminar: Using Invisible Zippers	Karen Reichardt
2 pm	Sewing Room Closes for Remainder of Convention	

**The Sew & Save Room will be open between seminars and projects for dancers to visit, trace patterns, etc.*

Information may be subject to change, Check the Dailies and Mobile App upon arrival for up-to-date details, Signs will be posted outside rooms for your convenience.

All Sew & Save Activities are in Room 209

Don't miss the 74th NSDC's...
Wild Side Fashion Show



Saturday, June 28, • 1-2 p.m.
Auditorium in Exhibit Hall 2

Fashion Show Celebrity Sightings at the 74th NSDC

How many celebrities can you check off the list?

- | | |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kermit the Frog | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Miss Piggy |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zoo Keeper | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 'Gators |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jelvis™ | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cajun Chef & Friend |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NSDC National Executive Committee | |

Don't miss this entertaining event that includes wild, animal print and themed apparel for the whole family, entertainment, skits, door prizes and more!

Pa and Ma Gator's 2025 New Year's Resolutions



THIS YEAR WE WILL...

- ✓ Attend the 74th NSDC June 25-28, 2025 in the Shreveport Convention Center
- ✓ Dance to the Ghost Riders Square Dance Band
- ✓ Meet up with old friends at the 74th NSDC
- ✓ Make new friends at the 74th NSDC
- ✓ Attend Wednesday night special event with Dennis Swanberg
- ✓ Dance in each hall at the 74th NSDC
- ✓ Attend the keynote address with Tom Miller
- ✓ Spend at least a couple of hours exploring the convention city
- ✓ Try at least one Cajun or Creole dish
- ✓ Attend the Organizational Roundtable
- ✓ Watch at least one dance exhibition group
- ✓ Participate in an education class
- ✓ Buy at least one item from a vendor at the 74th NSDC
- ✓ Participate in a group tour
- ✓ Dance to a new-to-us caller or cuer
- ✓ Buy a raffle ticket for chance to win a quilt or purchase an item from the Ways & Means table



***What are your New Year's Resolutions? We hope it includes
a trip to the 74th National Square Dance Convention®!
Register at www.74NSDC.com and Dance on the Wild Side!***

DANCE, DANCE, DANCE

Join the 74th National Square Dance Convention® in the Shreveport Convention Center on June 25-28, 2025 for the biggest party of the year and dance to some of the world's elite Dance Leaders! Here's who will be in Shreveport!*

DANCE LEADERS

CLOGGING

Lanita Hammett
Alice Havel
Brenda Jordan
Cathy Michaels
Jodi Rodden

Richard & Nancy
Fulaytar
Mark & JoAnn Givens
Connie Goodman
Bill & Carol Goss
Roy & Betsy Gotta
John & Karen Herr
Joe & Pat Hilton

Kenneth & Cindy
Vantiger
Dennis Viscanti &
Elaine Mikenas
Jerral & Marilyn
Waguespack
Peggy Weisensel
Chavey

Elisa Carlucci
Pat Carnathan
Gary Chamberlain
William Chase
Dan Clairmont
Travis Cook
Ed Crowley
Tom Davis

CONTRA CALLERS

Lissa Bengtson
Gary Chamberlain
Betsy Gotta
Deanna Palumbo
John Roby
Dottie Welch
Wayne Weston

Eileen & Chip Hopper
Barry & Anita Johnson
Klaus Voelkl & Eva Kuhn
Ski & Kay Kurczewski
Stuart Lewis &
Debbie Kitts
Ron & Carol Ann
McMurdy
Tricia Morley &
Dennis Artz

Tim & Terri Wilaby
Elaine Wintrow
Don & Susan Wolford

SQUARE DANCE CALLERS

Andy Allemao
Joe Arnold
Avery Arnold
Bob Asp
Matt Barnes

Dan Bebernes
Larry Belcher
Scott Bennett
Teresa Berger
Carole Blair
Russ Booz
Curt Braffett
Mike Bramlett
Shawn Brown
Scott Brown
Victoria Bundy
Ken Burke
Bruce Busch
Jeremy Butler
Brad Caldwell

George Dawkins
Sue Dellere
Dee Dee Dougherty
Joey Duhamel
Nelda Eaton
George Ferguson
Holly Ferreira
Mark Fetzer
Robert Furr
Bill Garrison
Skip Gates

Donna Gellenbeck
Jerry Gilbreath
Ron Giuliana
Mark Givens
Mike Gormley
Betsy Gotta
Patty Greene
John Harden
Nathaniel Harden
Nick Hartley
Gregory Hatmaker
Jay Henderson
Eric Henerlau
Dianne Hicks
Gary Hicks

ROUND DANCE CUERS

Tony & Carolyn Ahart
Fred & Linda Ayres
Russ Booz
Walter Brewer
Erin Byars
MaryAnn Callahan
Earle & Carol Collins
Paul & Barbara Connelly
Patrick & Cherie Cox
Gary Dean & Julie Skead
Gene & Anita Eckley
Tim Eum & Shirley Ray
Christine Eum
Tom & Shirlee Feneis
Cathy & Fred Fisher

Tom & Kathy Nickel and
Stephanie Esser
Casey & Sharon Parker
Jack & Christa Gail
Pointer
Linda & Paul Robinson
Phil & Lynn Sa
Eileen R. Silvia
Glen & Gloria Singleton
Mark Fetzer &
Susan Snider
Don & Natalie Sprosty
Paul Taylor
David & Jan Toms
Mary & Bob Townsend-
Manning

Bill Hinkley	Larry Marchese	Ken Ritucci	Bryan Swift
Myron Hollatz	Glenn Martin	Jet Roberts	Carol Teal
Lottie Hummel	Jimmie Mac McArthur	Charlie Robertson	Bob Thomas
Bill Hunt	Patrick McBride	Tim Rogers	Dennis Thompson
K.O. Jeanes	Ron McMurdy	Glenn Rogerson	David Toms
Barry Johnson	Tim Merino	Justin Russell	Tim Tyl
Anita Johnson	Elaine Mikenas	Dan Sahlstrom	Michele Vieira
Lawrence Johnstone	Bear Miller	Gary Sanders	Dave Vieira
Vernon Jones	Lisa Minton	Ray Savell	Lyle Waterhouse
Shauna Kaaria	Phil Moorehouse	Mike Seastrom	Buddy Weaver
Ted Kennedy	Tom Nickel	Keith Shelby	Lynn Webster
John Kephart	Steve Ockasy	Mike Sikorsky	Dottie Welch
Harlan Kerr	Tony Oxendine	Tony Simmons	Wayne Weston
Jack Kirchgatter	Leroy Parker	Dean Singleton	David Williams
Roy Kirkland	Philip Peak	Amanda Skidmore	Rusty Willoughby
Keith Klix	Wayne Pelmear	Dale Smith	Katie Wilson
Jamey Klix	Charlie Petrea	Don Sprosty	Chuck Woods
Jim Lindenfeld	Jack Pladdys	Doug Sprosty	Kristy Woods
Ted Lizotte	Dan Preedy	Jamie Stewart	Matt Worley
Tom Manning	Jason Raleigh	Harue Swift	Henna Yauger

Check the 74th NSDC Dailies & Mobile App upon arrival to find your favorites, make sure to select some new ones, too, they might just become your next fav!

**List is subject to change*

ATTENTION DANCE LEADERS

If your name is not on the above list, make sure to contact a dance vice chairman:

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SQUARES – TOM DAVIS

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Come Dance on the Wild Side!

'Jawsome' News!

Registration for tours is open!

Registration for the 74th National Square Dance Convention®'s tours is now open. You can pick from six exciting options to explore our convention city of Shreveport, LA and the surrounding area.

Make your reservations as soon as possible. Tours not meeting minimum numbers by May 15 may be cancelled.

To make a reservation, go to <https://74nsdc.cloudreg.us>. Click on the tour(s) that you would like more information on and then scroll down for the tour(s) details. You can make reservations for all your tours at once. Choose your tour date, select the quantity (number of persons registering for the tour), read and checkmark the Terms of Service, submit your payment information, and then click on "Submit Registration." It's that easy! If you have questions, please email Tours74NSDC@gmail.com or you can view the brochure at <https://www.74nsdc.com/tours>.

TOURS!

74th NSDC
Important
Reservation
Information





The 74th National Square Dance Convention® is disappointed to report that the Experience New Orleans Tour has been cancelled due to lack of early registrations.

Full refunds will be given to those who have registered for this tour.

Please check out our other tours which are available for early registration.



**Book now
before tours
sell out!**



74th NSDC TOURS

Choose from daily options
June 25th-28th

Make your reservation at:
<https://74nsdc.cloudreg.us>

Tours vary daily

Questions?
Tours74nsdc@gmail.com

*A tour may be canceled due
to lack of participation*

Stop by the Tours Booth in the Shreveport Convention Center to check on last minute availability.
Just follow the signs! The Tours Booth will also be the meeting location for the tour groups.

74th NSDC Tours

JUNE 25

- SHREVEPORT CITY TOUR** - Take a two-hour tour of Shreveport's history and culture on an air-conditioned coach bus.
- HISTORIC NATCHITOCHE**s - Visit historic Natchitoches, the oldest existing former French colony.

JUNE 26

- DOWN ON THE FARM** - Take a trip with us to Morell Dairy Farm for Jersey milk, chocolate milk and butter. Learn how to milk the cows!
- SHREVEPORT CITY TOUR** - Take a two-hour tour of Shreveport's history and culture on an air-conditioned coach bus.
- GATORS AND FRIENDS TOUR** - Explore "Gators and Friends" to get up close and personal with a variety of wildlife, including alligators.
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JUNE 27

- SHREVEPORT CITY TOUR** - Take a two-hour tour of Shreveport's history and culture on an air-conditioned coach bus.
- GATORS AND FRIENDS TOUR** - Explore "Gators and Friends" to get up close and personal with a variety of wildlife, including alligators.

JUNE 28

- SHREVEPORT CITY TOUR** - Take a two-hour tour of Shreveport's history and culture on an air-conditioned coach bus.
- Stop by the 74th NSDC Tours Booth in the Shreveport Convention Center on Level 1 to check on availability of any remaining tour slots. Just follow the signs!

Come Explore on the Wild Side

74th NSDC Closing Ceremonies

Featuring the California Heritage Dancers



**Enjoy the Passing of the Torch to the 75th NSDC
and their unique information skit**

**Closing Ceremonies
Saturday, June 28, 2025
Exhibit Hall 2**

**Parade of States line-up begins at 4:30 pm
Ceremony starts at 5 pm**



Where in the world are Allie & Gator?

The 'gator family of mascots from the 74th National Square Dance Convention® have logged over 130,000 miles and visited 25 states thus far in their 3-year journey toward the NSDC in Shreveport, LA, with General Chairmen Ted and Tonia Hofmeister. Where else will they go before June 25-28? Allie & Gator make the best Nav-i-Gators!

Here's where they have made "jawsome" appearances thus far:

Louisiana	Alabama	Kentucky	Iowa	California
Arkansas	Georgia	South Carolina	Colorado	Nevada
Texas	Tennessee	Illinois	Missouri	New Mexico
Oklahoma	Florida	Indiana	Ohio	Arizona
Mississippi	Virginia	Wisconsin	Kansas	Maine



Join the 'gators and "Come Dance on the Wild Side" in the Shreveport Convention Center!



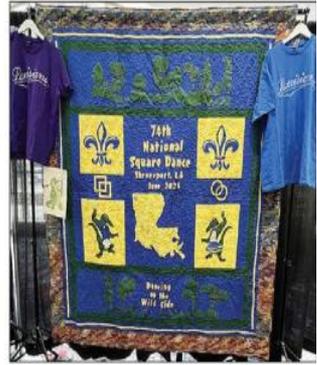
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First ticket drawn will get choice of one of two beautiful handmade quilts by Karen Gordon, Co-Chairman of the 74th NSDC Services Comm.



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MA GATOR RAFFLE

69" plush alligator wearing an official
74th NSDC Square Dance Dress

Tickets \$1 each or 6 for \$5

Drawing to be held at the 74th NSDC in Shreveport
*(Need not be present to win,
Will ship to winner anywhere in continental U.S.)*

Everybody loves Ma Gator, including National Caller Tony Oxendine (pictured on left) from North Carolina, who also serves on the Executive Committee for CALLERLAB, and Caller Joey Duhamel (on right) from Louisiana, Director of Social Media for the 74th NSDC.

Purchase information: Raffle tickets can be purchased at the 74th NSDC Ways and Means table at a dance near you, email our General Chairman Ted Hofmeister at TedHofmeister75@gmail.com for the 74th NSDC Promotional Tour Travel Schedule or details on how to order tickets. **The drawing will be held Saturday, June 28, 2025** at the 74th National Square Dance Convention® in the Shreveport Convention Center. Raffle tickets will also be available for purchase during the 74th NSDC at the Ways and Means table, which will be set up in the main lobby of the Shreveport Convention Center.

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Belt Buckle	\$50
Bolo	\$20
Vest Clip	\$20
'Nekkid Gator	\$18

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74th NSDC Ways & Means

Shreveport Convention Center, First Floor

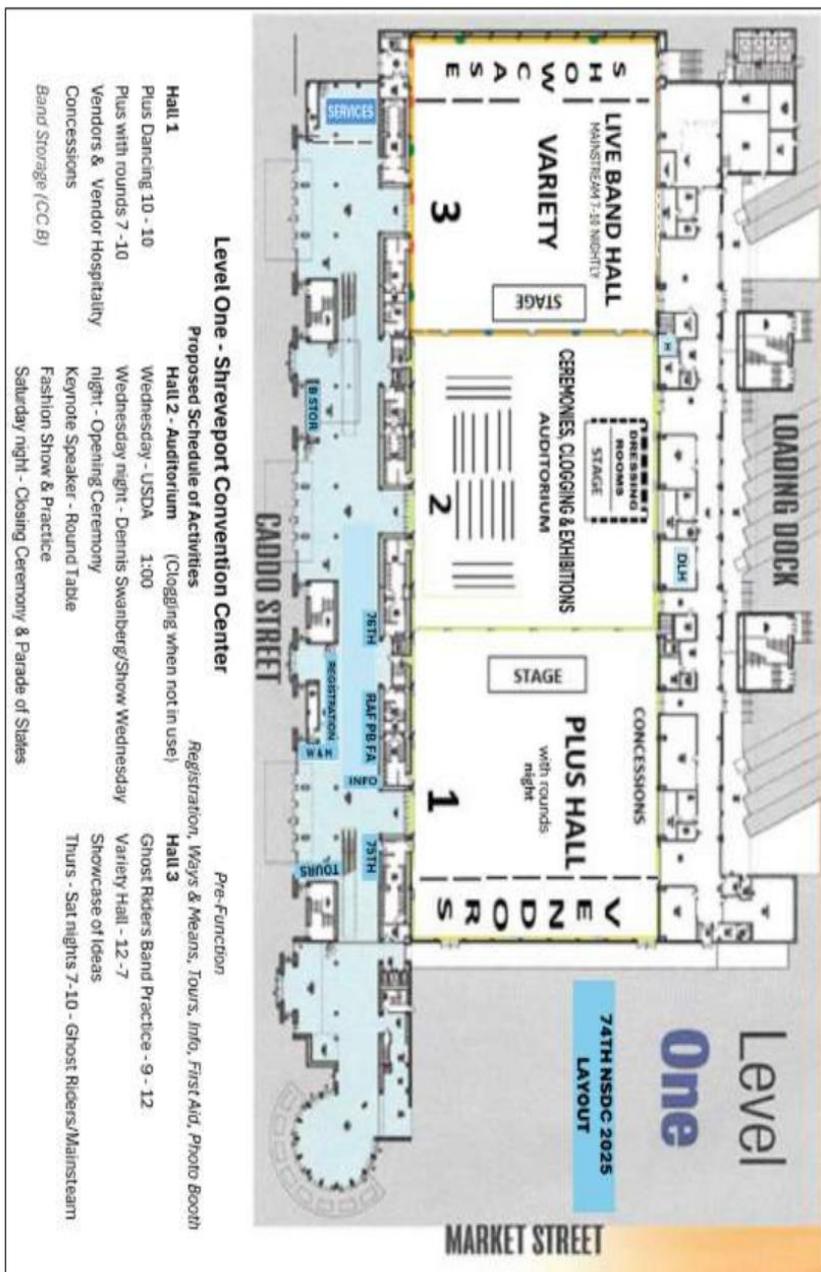
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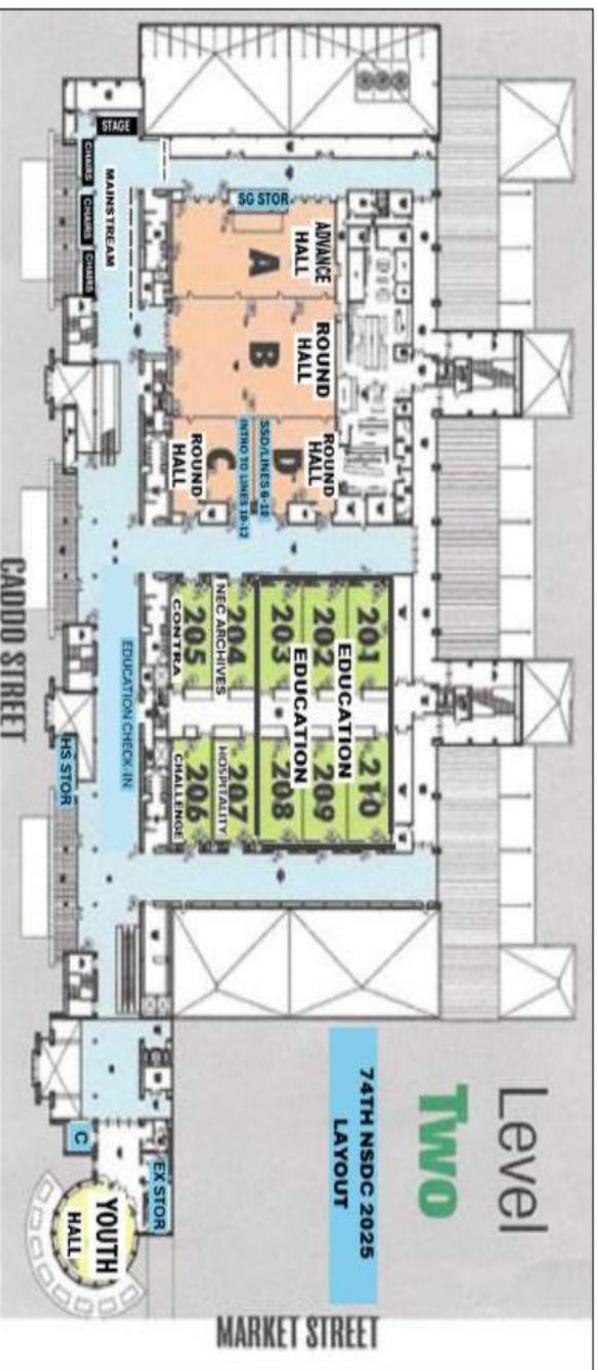
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Shreveport Convention Center – 74th NSDC Spaces

•Subject to change, check the 74th NSDC Dailies upon arrival, signs will be posted outside halls and rooms

Courtesy of Visit Shreveport-Bossier and Shreveport Convention Center





Level Two - Shreveport Convention Center

Ex Hall A	Advance	Daily 10 - 10	201 - 203	Education	RRR/Round Room - Youth
Ex Hall B	Solid Gold Storage		204	NEC Archives	RR Board Room (C) - Clinic Meeting Room
Ex Hall C	Lines & Intro to Lines	Daily 10 - 10	205	10-10 Contra	Exhibition Storage
	Rounds	Daily 12 - 10	206	Challenge 10 - 10	Pre-Function
Ex Hall D	Rounds	Daily 12 - 6	207	Hospitality - Workers & Int'l	Mainstream - 10 - 10
	SSD with Lines 6 - 10		208 - 210	Education	Hospitality Storage
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MEDIA APPRECIATION

Thank you Editors for promoting the 74th NSDC

- Alamo Area S&RD Dance Newsletter (TX) - Don & Sharon Fajkus
American Caller's Association Newsletter (USA) - Mac Letson
American Square Dance Mag (USA) - Buddy Weaver
ASARDA News (AL) - Tina Wilkins
Associated Square Dancers of California Grapevine (CA) - Karen Gellar Shinn
Bow & Swing (FL) - Stephen Bigelow
The Carolina Caller (SC) - Carroll & Virginia Frick
Central Ohio Email Tree (OH) - Velma Doyle
Chit Chat (North WI) - Michael & Kimberlee Streby
CO West Area Square & Round Dance Council Bulletin (CO) - Chuck & Carol Watkins
ContraLab Quarterly (MN) - Duane Olson
Dancer Digest (CA) - Wayne Johnston
DANCERgram (West FL) - Penny Green
Denver Area Square & Round Dance Council Bulletin (CO) - Lloyd Bowles
Direction - CALLERLAB (International) - Teresa Berger
The Dixie Crier (GA) - Angie McClure
Footnotes (Square & Folk Dance Federation of Washington) - Cynda Clark
Happy Tracks (KS) - Gordon & Irma Schutt
Here Tis (WI) - Brenda Deal
Iowa Square & Round Dance News (IA) - Michele & Dave Weber
Keepin' Posted (FL) - Ailene Picheco
Las Vegas Square & Round Dancers The Bulletin (NV) - Don Baltz
Michigander (MI) - Joe & Suellen Walker
The Modern Square (AR) - Daryl Stout
Montgomery Area Square Dance Association Newsletter (AL) - Terese Goodson
National Square Dance Campers Association Times (National) - Ken & Carolyn Shacter
News Around Cow Counties (CA) - Marvin Fishman
NM Square & Round Dance Association Newsletter (NM) - Joni Micals
The Panhandle Press Florida (FL) - Barbara McDonald
NORTEX Promenade (TX) - Audrey Mansell
The Promenader (CA) - Bill Hobbs
The Roundup (NE State Square & Round Dance Association) - Amy Swift
Sashay (OK) - Bob & Melissa Thomas
Show-Me Doin's (MO) - Edythe Weber
Southeast Area Square Dance Council The Bulletin (CO) - Susan Swank
Southern District Newsletter (OK) - Mary Dalley
Square'Em Up (LA) - Kathy Knierim
The Texas Star (TX) - Alan & Natalie Joss
The Grapevine (NE FL) - Stephen F. Bigelow
The Open Squares (CA) - Lea & Jim Veronica
The Roundup (MN-WI) - Jeanine Maiden
Travel On (KS) - Leigh Johnson
Tips & Cues (WI) - Mary Albrecht
USDA News (International) - Art & Lilly Hardin
VASARDA Dancer Newsletter (VA) - Tom & Nancy Stafford
WASCA Calls & Cues (VA, DE, PA, MD) - Ed Cragg
Yellowstone Square Dance Council Grapevine (MT) - Ann Hindley

For the **latest updates** on the 74th NSDC in Shreveport, LA, you can view or download **National Squares Online** in **PDF** format at <https://nsdcnec.com/national-squares-e-magazine/> and then click on the desired issue(s). Information for the 75th NSDC in Waco, TX, will **begin** with the July 2025 full e-Edition.



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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.

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