



**It is that time of year again for all ASSDF member clubs to update their annual enrollment!**

As you are aware the ASSDF is the central organization that helps guide square dancing in the state of Arkansas. In addition, the ASSDF puts on an annual Fall Festival to bring the state dancers together under one roof, sponsors the Arkansas State Square Dance website to provide square dancing information to all individuals, publishes the monthly Modern Square letting all know what the Clubs are doing and helps Clubs to obtain insurance through the USDA Dancer Insurance Program.

The 2025 annual membership fee is \$20 and is due to the ASSDF Treasurer by January 1, 2025. Please make the check payable to the ASSDF and mail to:

Sheila Gesing  
9760 Grant 7  
Sheridan, AR 72150

**IMPORTANT! In order for a Club to participate in the USDA Dancers Insurance Program the Club must be a member of the ASSDF.** This insurance program provides Accident Medical Insurance, which helps supplement a dancer's existing medical insurance; and Liability insurance, which protects the club and its members from financial loss due to unforeseen accidents, which may develop into litigation against members and organizations.

To review the coverage in its entirety...including who and what is covered, limits of coverage, and period of coverage, among other items, go to <https://www.usda.org/Insurance.php>

**The USDA annual individual dancer premium will be \$6 this year. The USDA had to increase the cost due to the increased costs the insurance carrier has incurred.** Every Club's Insurance Coordinator should have received the annual ASSDF insurance packet the week after November 15. If you do not receive the insurance mailout, please contact ASSDF Treasurer and Insurance Coordinator, Sheila Gesing at 512-968-4876.

In the insurance information packet there will be a blank club roster form to designate the paying insurance members. Please note any change in the venue you dance at or if there has been a change in the insurance contact personnel when you return the roster. Please remember if there are dancers within your club who are members of multiple clubs, the insurance fee will only be paid once.

The **ASSDF** appreciates every clubs participation in our state organization and welcomes all feedback on how we can make the organization better to support the backbone of our organization....the Clubs!