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1. Ads, Club Reports, etc. are due on the Editor's Desk by 9pm Central Time on the 14<sup>th</sup> of the month, before the issue month (May 14 for the June issue).
  2. Club Reports should be **limited to 250** words, if at all possible.
  3. **The Editor reserves the right to omit, edit, or rewrite all submissions.**
  4. Letters to the Editor must be signed. **Names will be omitted upon request.**
  5. Non-commercial ads that are submitted to promote dance events within the Federation area are accepted **only** from ASSDF member clubs, organizations and their Callers.
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Due to costs, the **print edition** will **END** with the December, 2023 issue; see the ad elsewhere in this issue for details. Until then, due to costs, ads are full page, at **\$35 for the print edition**, and **\$5 for the e-Edition**, per insertion. **Advance payment is required**; please send payments (payable to ASSDF) to the Treasurer (noted on the next page). Ad/flier copy, club reports, or dance photos for the e-Edition should be sent to the Editor (noted above). Please be sure that all event or flier/dance information is **correct** when you send it in.



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



## ***President's Message***

Thank you to all the clubs that sent delegates to the June 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

The **major change** that was decided was to **stop the print edition at the end of 2023**. We've had a **large drop in readership** of the print edition, but the E-Edition appears to be strong.

**Effective with the January, 2024 issue, we'll just have an E-Edition only.** Note that the E-Edition will be **FREE** to all subscribers. I would suggest that clubs send their email addresses to Daryl (the Editor) at [assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com](mailto:assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com) to be included in the free distribution. See the ad elsewhere in this issue for more details.

Tonia and I have been traveling around the state the past few weeks. We've visited 8 of the 12 clubs in Arkansas, and plan to visit all of the clubs to promote the Trail-in Dance, and Arkansas State Fall Festival October 12-14 in Mountain Home. It's not very often we have 2 of the top callers in the country during the Fall Festival, with Gary Shoemake on Thursday night, and Charlie Robertson on Saturday night alongside our club callers on Friday night and during the day on Friday and Saturday, so please make your plans to be there.

Special dances coming up you don't want to miss, see the ASSDF website for additional information and fliers:

July 1 -- The Three Amigos United We Stand Dance, Mabelvale (Little Rock), Arkansas -- Callers: Joey Duhamel, Phil Moorehouse, and Gene Gancarczyk

July 19 -- Twirling Funtimers Taco Night Dance, Lakeview, Arkansas

– Caller: Donna Gellenbeck – Cuer: Marge Sherrill

July 29, 2023 -- Maverick Mixers Barn Dance, Mabelvale (Little Rock), Arkansas -- Caller: Phil Moorehouse

July 31, 2023 -- Star Steppers Summer Night Out Dance, White Hall, Arkansas – Caller: Jet Roberts

July 27-29, 2023 -- Heart of America Singles Square Dance Association (HASSDA) 2023 Festival, Springdale, AR (Trail-End Dance July 27, Main Dance July 28-29). Callers: Bob Asp, Charlie Robertson, Jet Roberts. Cuers: Cathy and Fred Fisher

Aug. 3-5, 2023 -- 48<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Square and Round Dance Convention, Gatlinburg, TN

Next, Tonia and I will be **stepping down as President of the ASSDF** after 4 wonderful years of service at the end of the year. Please let the board know of any candidates for office you would like us to consider.

Lastly, remember to take the time to do what's important. Spend time with family, friends, and your special friends you square dance with; and don't forget to go to church, and thank The Lord for the blessings we enjoy! See you on the dance floor!

*Ted and Tonia Hofmeister, ASSDF President, 2023*



## Square/Round Dance Social Media/Websites:

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

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

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

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

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

### Caller and Cuer Websites:

Nelda Eaton

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## *From The Editor*



**BREAKING NEWS!!** The **print edition** will **END** with the December, 2023 issue, as the current subscription rate no longer covers the cost. Also, the scammers are at it again; plus records, etc. from a late caller are for sale; see the ads elsewhere in this issue. For e-Edition subscribers with “limited cellphone space”, a **compact e-Edition** (smaller than the print edition) is available for the current month on the ASSDF website.

**UPDATED** fliers (due to errors on the originals) for the **July 31<sup>st</sup> Jet Roberts Dance**, and the **ASSDF Fall Festival** in Mountain Home are elsewhere in this issue, and the **ASSDF website**. Other Special Dances are at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events> or elsewhere in this issue. Remember that the **Advance Registration Deadline** for the **ASSDF Fall Festival** is Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>. Also, if your club plans on lessons this fall, please email the info to [assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com](mailto:assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com) – it’ll be posted at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/new-dancers>

Before going to a dance, please check <https://www.weather.gov/lzk> for area weather forecasts, plus <https://www.idrivearkansas.com> for road conditions. If you don’t feel well, or weather’s an issue on a dance night, please stay home. With the hot weather, **please take precautions**. Some clubs allow “casual attire”, while others are **DARK** during the summer.

Over 100 E-Edition photos are from Facebook pages and sent in photos from dances with the Twirling Funtimers, River City Squares, Bluebird Squares, Pioneers, Maverick Mixers, and Twirling Lariats. Thanks to Anieta England, Loree Kant, Jody King, Becky Hestand, Ginny Short, Daryl Stout, Ted Hofmeister, and Carolyn Birdsong for the photos.

Lastly, The Good Lord has given me the talent over the last 45 years of writing poetry. A recent one is “**A Tribute To The National Square Dance Convention ®**” -- it’s elsewhere in this issue.

*Daryl Stout, Editor, Webmaster, Circulation Chairman*

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

HOSTED BY THE MOUNTAIN HOME PIONEERS

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

*Thursday night*

*Friday night*

*Saturday night*

*Gary Shoemaker*

*Club Callers*

*Charlie Robertson*



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



**Ramada Inn by Wyndham**



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

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

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

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

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

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

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



## **The Three Amigos “United We Stand” Dance**

**Saturday, July 1, 2023 – Dance at 7pm – \$10 Per Person  
American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road & Leah Lane)  
Callers: Joey Duhamel, Phil Moorehouse, and Gene Gancarczyk**

**Info: Joey Duhamel (870) 209-3646  
Phil Moorehouse (501) 960-4476  
Gene Gancarczyk (501) 767-6354**





# Maverick Mixers

## Barn Dance

Saturday, July 29, 2023

American Legion Hut - Leah Ln/Mann Rd - Mabelvale

Beans & 'taters - 6:00 PM

Dance - 7:00 to 9:00 PM

Caller - Phil Moorehouse

Admission: \$6 for Members of Maverick Mixers

\$8 for guests



WHITE HALL COMMUNITY CENTER



# SUMMER NIGHTS



NATIONAL CALLER  
**JET ROBERTS**

JOIN THE ASSDF AND THE WHITE HALL STAR STEPPERS



9801 Dollarway Rd  
White Hall, AR



DANCERS \$20  
NON-DANCERS FREE

MONDAY JULY 31 @ 7PM

FOR QUESTIONS CALL (870) 883-1363

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## 48<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Square and Round Dance Convention

**\*LIVE  
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August 3, 4 & 5, 2023  
W.L. Mills  
Conference Center  
234 Historic Nature Trail  
Gatlinburg, TN 37738

**WOOD  
FLOORS!**

### SQUARES

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

### ROUNDS

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

### Tentative Schedule

#### THURSDAY:

Trail-In Dance 8:00-11:00pm  
2 Square Dance Halls  
1 Dedicated Round Dance Hall

#### FRIDAY & SATURDAY

10:00am - 11:00pm  
6 Halls of Dancing  
\*Live Band: Evening Hours

Fashion Show  
Singles Dance  
Sewing Clinic  
After Party  
Vendors  
Intro to Contra

[www.TNSquare  
Dance.org](http://www.TNSquareDance.org)

Facebook: TN  
Square and  
Round Dance  
Convention

# 48<sup>th</sup> Tennessee State Square & Round Dance Convention

August 3, 4, & 5, 2023

W.L. Mills Conference Center, Gatlinburg, Tennessee

234 Historic Nature Trail, 37738

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

Visit: [www.tnsquaredance.org](http://www.tnsquaredance.org)

Convention Chairman: R.G. Pratt [rgpratt@peoplepc.com](mailto:rgpratt@peoplepc.com)

865-964-2091

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

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

<p>Regan Resorts Inn - \$169 St. 2 bed, \$219 King suite/lofta bed, \$189 1 bed Jacuzzi 936 Parkway (1 Mn Wlk, 2 Mn Drv to CC) 865-436-5607 <a href="https://www.choicehotels.com/Tennessee/gatlinburg">Identify as TN SQ DANCE CONV</a> 3 NIGHT Minimum Breakfast, WI-FI, outdoor pool - balcony</p>	<p>Sidney James Mtn Lodge - \$85 St. room 865-436-7851 x 349 <a href="http://www.sidneyjames.com">www.sidneyjames.com</a> 610 Historic Nature Trail (12 Mn Wlk, 3 Mn. Drv. to CC) Inform them -w/TN SQUARE DANCE CONV WI-FI, refria., in/outdoor pool, Cafe?, pet friendly</p>	<p>Black Bear Inn &amp; Suites \$104 Dbl Qn/St K ***\$15/night service fee) 1100 Parkway (1 Mn Wlk, 4 Mn.Drv to CC) 865-436-5656 <a href="http://www.blackbeargatlinburg.com">www.blackbeargatlinburg.com</a> (Rate Code: 128089) Breakfast, WI-FI TN SQUARE DANCE CONV</p>
<p>EconoLodge Inns/Suites on the River- \$169 St 310 Cottage Dr. 865-436-5836 (15 Mn Wlk, 5 Mn Drv to CC) <a href="https://www.choicehotels.com/Tennessee/gatlinburg/econo-lodge-hotels/in712?source=gnst">https://www.choicehotels.com/Tennessee/gatlinburg/econo-lodge-hotels/in712?source=gnst</a> WI-FI, Breakfast, Pool, Patio/Balcony</p>	<p>Edgewater Hotel \$14 - St. room 402 River Road 865-436-4151 (5 Mn Wlk, 4 Mn. Drv. to CC) <a href="http://www.edgewater-hotel.com">www.edgewater-hotel.com</a> Breakfast, WI-FI, indoor/out pool balcony Inform them -w/TN SQUARE DANCE CONV</p>	<p>Gillette Motel \$160 Dbl/Dbl-170 Dbl/QN 235 Historic Nature Trail 865-436-5601 (1 Mn Wlk, 1 Mn Drv to CC) <a href="http://www.gillettemotel.com">www.gillettemotel.com</a> WI-FI, refriq, microwave, pool, balcony Inform them -w/TN SQUARE DANCE CONV</p>
<p>Fairfield Inn &amp; Suites/Downtown - \$169 2 St Qn, OR \$169 King Ste/ w-sleeper sofa 611 Historic Nature Trail 865-436-4935 (7 Mn Wlk, 2 Mn Drv to CC) Rate Code: TN5008</p>	<p>Glenstone Lodge \$105 King/ Dbl Qn 504 Historic Nature Trl (2 Bth Wlk, 2 Mn.Drv to CC) 865-436-9351 (select #1) or 800-362-9522 (select #1) &amp; identify as: 2023 TN Sq &amp; Rd Dance Conv. WI-FI, indoor/outdoor pool, restaurant on site, balcony</p>	<p>Park Place Condos \$175 - 2 Bedroom \$245-3 Bedroom - \$55 1-hr/clean fee 215 Ski Mtn. Rd. 865-436-6303 (Rate Code: TN Square &amp; Round 2023) (15 Mn Wlk, 5 Mn Drv to CC) Full kitchen, WI-FI, pool, patio/balcony</p>
<p>Courtyard Downtown \$189 St 1 King / St. 2 Qn 35 Historic Nature Trail (2 Mn Wlk, 1 Mn Drv to CC) 865-436-2006 <a href="https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservations-link.mi?cid=16554136523168&amp;key=GRP&amp;app=reswink">[Group/rate code: "TDS"]</a> <a href="https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservations-link.mi?cid=16554136523168&amp;key=GRP&amp;app=reswink">https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservations-link.mi?cid=16554136523168&amp;key=GRP&amp;app=reswink</a> WI-FI, indoor pool, restaurant, private balcony</p>	<p>Hampton Inn, Hist. Nature Trail - \$139 Sun-Th \$159 Fri-Sat. Dbl/Qn or King Sleeper Sofa 520 Hist. Nature Trail (6 Mn Wlk, 2 Mn.Drv ) 865-436-4933 <a href="http://www.GatlinburgHistoricalNatureTrail.com/hamptonbyhamton">www.GatlinburgHistoricalNatureTrail.com/hamptonbyhamton</a> Inform them -w/TN SQUARE DANCE CONV</p>	

CUT HERE & return with payment to Registration Chairman

Early Registrations MUST be postmarked by July 1, 2023

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

Early Registration @ \$30.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Weekend after 7/1/23 @ \$35.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Friday at the Door @ \$15.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday at the door @ \$20.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ State Assn. Area \_\_\_\_\_

\*YOUTH Attending, Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

DANCE LEVEL / TYPE:  SS/ Club 50  Advanced 1  Rounds Ph I  Lines  Other Interests:

Mainstream  Advanced 2  Rounds Ph II  Contra  Solo

Plus  Challenge  Rounds Ph IV  Volunteer

Hot Hash  Rounds Ph V

D&D  Hex  Rounds Ph VI

Cash or check only, NO credit cards, please

Square Dance attire, please, after 7:00 p.m.

Write check to: 2023 TN State Convention

Registration Chairman: Shea Meincke

Mail to: 2023 TN State Convention

843-818-4061

PO Box 7056, Maryville, TN 37802-7056

Email: [meincke\\_us@yahoo.com](mailto:meincke_us@yahoo.com)

For Convention Registrar Use Only:

Amount Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Date Registered \_\_\_\_\_

Registered by \_\_\_\_\_ Ribbons Received: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

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

## Presents a Square Dance Weekend

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

*Arkansas*

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*Texas*

TIM TYL



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



MARTIN  
PHILYAW

*Louisiana*



KEN  
VANTIGER

*Louisiana*

**Friday 7:00 – 10:00**

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

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



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on the Wild Side***

\$40.00 per person



**\*\* Warning On Scammers, and a late Callers items For Sale \*\***

The scammers are at it again, impersonating members of the ASSDF Board, in an attempt to con you for money, gift cards, etc. If the email address noted is NOT what's noted in The Modern Square, then it is a SCAM! Note that the ASSDF Board would NEVER send an email message asking for such.

There are emails between members of the ASSDF Board concerning ASSDF related matters, on official ASSDF stationary. Any communications with clubs are done via US Mail, with a letter to the club contacts that are noted in The Modern Square. Please be sure that your club contact info is kept current!!

Also, if you see a message in your email or square dance club Facebook group that notes "a certain celebrity has died", and that you should "click for more info", that is a SCAM, with malware, clickbait, and ransomware...designed to steal your identity, corrupt your files (where you'd have to pay a large sum of money to get it back, and there's no guarantee you would), and destroy your computer, etc. If you see a message like this, report it to the group admins, and ask that they delete the post, and ban the sender.

In short, if you don't "practice safe hex", you are surely going to regret it.

**\*\***

From Steve Sutton, son of the late caller Harry Sutton, and his taw, Yvonne:

My Dad, Harry Sutton, started dancing in 1950, and began calling in 1957. He passed away in 2012, and Yvonne passed away in August 2022. He called and taught classes for Rustic Ramblers in Harrison, plus clubs in Mt. Home, Eureka Springs, Rogers, Dogpatch, Branson, and several others in Phoenix, where they over-wintered.

We're settling the estate and have Dad's PA system (turntable, mics, amps, speakers, stands, 33 1/3, 78 and more 45's records than you can shake a stick at!) for sale. If interested, contact Steve Sutton, 13 Woodlawn Drive, Conway AR 72034-3434 or email to [steven.walter.sutton@gmail.com](mailto:steven.walter.sutton@gmail.com)

# Where are your special events?

Please notify *The Modern Square* Editor of your club's special events (up to 1 year in advance) with all pertinent information included. The sooner **all** information is provided, the earlier the listing will appear. Further info is at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events>

## National Square Dance Convention® (NSDC)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**National Squares e-Magazine** is published monthly (except July) in the interest of the **NSDC**, by the host city of the next **NSDC**. The info starts with the August issue before the next **NSDC**, going through the June issue of the next **NSDC**. Thumbnails of the last ten issues can be found at <https://nstdcne.com/national-squares-e-magazine/> -- click on the desired one to view, download, or print the PDF file.

Topics covered include Registration/Housing/RV Camping, Callers School (before the Convention), badges/ribbons, Solo/Single Dancers (unmarried or without a partner), program books/schedules (individual and total), souvenirs, vendors, dance facilities map, Wednesday Night Dinner And Show, Trail-End Dances, Group Exhibitions, Workshops, Tours, Restaurants, Travel Options/Places To Visit, Various **NSDC** Committees, Info on Upcoming **NSDC**'s, First Aid Info, Educational Forums, Fashion Show, General Info, Ceremonies, Ads, and more.

# Special Events

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

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

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

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

## JUNE 16-30, 2023

**June 21, 2023 – Twirling Funtimers Cowboy Roundup Dance and BBQ.** Lloyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview, AR. Dance at 7pm. Caller: Donna Gellenbeck. Cuer: Marge Sherrill. See the flier on the ASSDF website for more info.

**June 21-24, 2023 – 72<sup>nd</sup> National Square Dance Convention ®,** Mobile, Alabama. More info is at <https://www.72nsdc.com> plus a registration form at the URL noted above, and on the

ASSDF website.

**June 23, 2023** – The **Heber Springers** are **DARK** tonight.

**June 24, 2023** – The **Maverick Mixers** are **DARK** tonight.

**June 29, 2023** – **Blue Belles And Beaus 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday “Newbie Callers Night”**. Judsonia Community Center, 601 Judson Street, Judsonia, AR. Dance at 7pm. Callers: Phil Moorehouse, with guest amateur callers.

**June 30, 2023** – The **Twirling Lariats** are **DARK** tonight.

## JULY 2023

**July 1, 2023** – **The Three Amigos United We Stand Dance**. American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale, AR. Dance at 7pm. \$10 per person. Callers: Joey Duhamel, Gene Gancarczyk, and Phil Moorehouse. See the flier elsewhere in this issue, on the ASSDF website for more info.

**July 3, 2023** – **Pioneers** are **DARK** tonight.

**July 7-9, 2023** – **Route 66 Jamboree**, Elk City, OK. Callers: Jeff Holley, Darryl Lipscomb, Bobby Willis, Jimmy Gouge, Jerry Junck, Tim Tanner, Don Main, and Tim Tyl. See the flier on the ASSDF website for more info.

**July 17, 2023** – **Mineola Railers Travis Cook Special**. American Legion Hall, Mineola, TX. Callers: Tim Tyl and Travis Cook. See the flier on the ASSDF website for more info.

**July 19, 2023** – **Twirling Funtimers Taco Night Dance**. Lloyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview, AR. Dance at 7pm. Caller: Donna Gellenbeck. Cuer: Marge Sherrill. A flier will be on the ASSDF website as soon as possible.

**July 22, 2023 – Denim Dusters Summer Sizzler Dance.**

Fayetteville, TN. Callers: Jet Roberts and Darryl McMillan. See the flier on the ASSDF website for more info.

**July 27-29, 2023 – Heart Of America Single Square Dance Association (HASSDA) Dance, Springdale, AR.** Trail-End

Dance July 27. Callers: Bob Asp, Charlie Robertson, and Jet Roberts. Cuers: Cathy and Fred Fisher. See the flier at [http://www.wesquaredance.com/HASSDA\\_Festival/](http://www.wesquaredance.com/HASSDA_Festival/) or on the ASSDF website for more info.

**July 29, 2023 – Maverick Mixers Barn Dance.** American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale, AR. Beans And ‘Taters at 6pm, Dance from 7pm to 9pm. \$6 for members, \$8 for visitors. Caller: Phil Moorehouse. See the flier elsewhere in this issue, on the ASSDF website for more info.

**July 29, 2023 – East Texas Square and Round Dance Association Teen Scholarship and Dancer Appreciation Dance.** American Legion Hall, 2015 US Highway 80 East, Mineola, TX. See the flier on the ASSDF website for more info.

**July 31, 2023 – Summer Nights Dance,** Sponsored by the Star Steppers and the ASSDF. White Hall Community Center, 9801 Dollarway Road, White Hall, AR. Dance at 7pm. Caller: Jet Roberts. \$10 per person (non-dancers admitted free). See the flier elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website for more info.

**AUGUST 2023**

**Aug. 3-5, 2023 – 48<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Square And Round Dance Convention, Gatlinburg, TN.** The event will be at the W.L. Mills Conference Center. See the flier elsewhere in this issue, at <http://www.tnsquaredance.org/convention> -- or on the ASSDF website, for more info.

**Aug. 19, 2023 – Bluebird Squares 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual All Singing Calls Alphabetically Dance.** Saline County Fairgrounds, 406 Fairfield Road (Exit 116 and I-30), Benton, AR. Dance at 7pm. Callers: Carolyn Birdsong and Phil Moorehouse

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

## SEPTEMBER 2023

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

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

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

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

**Sept. 30, 2023 – Maverick Mixers 50’s Dance.** American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale, AR. Burgers at 6pm, Dance from 7pm to 9pm. \$6 for members, \$8 for visitors. Caller: Phil Moorehouse. See the flier on the ASSDF website for more info. The flier will also be in the August and September, 2023 e-Edition.

## OCTOBER 2023

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

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

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

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

## NOVEMBER 2023

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

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

## DECEMBER 2023

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

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

## JANUARY 2024

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

## MARCH 2024

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

## JUNE 2024

**June 26-29, 2024 – 73<sup>rd</sup> National Square Dance Convention ®, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.** Info at <https://73nsdc.com> – a registration form is elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website.

## OCTOBER 2024

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

## JUNE 2025

**June 25-28, 2025 – 74<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention ®, Shreveport, Louisiana.** Info and an Early Bird Registration Form are at <https://74thnsdc.com>

# *Club Reports*

## **Bluebird Squares**

Happy 247<sup>th</sup> Birthday to our beloved country! May God Bless her, and all of us!

Summer has definitely arrived in Arkansas! Stay cool and hydrated!

If you'd like some cheap entertainment, put a birdbath in your yard, and keep fresh water in it! Doesn't need to be more than a inch deep and keep it in the shade. You'll have more fun watching birds splash!

Laundry piled high, dishes in the sink, bed isn't made, but did you see my beautiful yard?

The front gate is not only open, but it looks like the 116 Exit from Hot Springs is finally fixed too!

Everyone's encouraged to wear red, white and blue at our July 15<sup>th</sup> Dance, and honor the USA! I betcha we'll even dance to "God Bless the USA"!

Then on August 19<sup>th</sup> (drum roll here), we will have the "All Singing Calls Alphabetically Dance", with Phil Moorehouse and myself with the mics! Always a fun dance!

We're planning on a sit down dinner at the September 16<sup>th</sup> dance.

We're all looking forward to the Arkansas Fall Festival in October! Always a great weekend! I hope ya'll have registered! I'm keeping my toes away from all suitcases this year, after I gave it a good kick last year! Wow, that hurt!

Ya'll know my dances are always pretty casual, and even shorts are acceptable! Ya'll come on over and laugh and dance with us!

*Carolyn Birdsong*

## **Blue Belles And Beaus**

The Blue Belles and Beaus have been busy this spring. The first Saturday of May, the club danced at Pioneer Village in Searcy for its Spring Open House event. This fall, we'll dance there again the first week of November for the fall open house at the Village. All are welcome to come and take advantage of this opportunity to share your love of square dancing and clogging with the public.

The club continues to mix beginner lessons with tips for experienced dances from 7-9 pm. We have elementary school students learning alongside their grandparents, or other relatives...to independent adults. To see our youngest students paired with our most senior members reminds us of how precious square dancing is to us, and how important it is for the social health of the world.

In between tips, line dancing and clogging are enjoyed. Nationally known caller, Lt. Col. Phil Morehouse is our caller. From 6-7 pm., Lanita Hammett teaches beginner clogging to those who are interested. She can be reached at Lnthmmtt13@gmail.com or 501-889-4679.

The club meets every 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday each month. On the 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday, those interested in calling are welcome to come and call for live dancers. June has a 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday, so come join us for the chance to dance to these brave "Newbies" or to become a Newbie yourself.

We dance at the Judsonia Community Center, 601 Judson Street in Judsonia. We look forward to seeing you each 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday.

*Mary Craig*

## **Heber Springers**

It's the little things that count. The Heber Springers square dance club donated silk flowers for their "May flower dance", with the intention to "give back" to the community of Rosebud, by placing these at a local cemetery, and fun was had by all. Our caller Phil Moorehouse always makes it the best fun!

Several of our dancers were at the Twirling Lariats June Bug Jamboree with Tim Tyl on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, and everyone had a great time.

Note that we are **DARK** on June 23<sup>rd</sup> for the National Square Dance Convention ® in Mobile, Alabama.

*Kim Deane*

## **Maverick Mixers**

The club had a graduation ceremony for its recent class on June 10<sup>th</sup>, and we happily welcome these new dancers into the hobby...Bonnie Wingo, Amanda and Blake Throgmartin, and Terri Hargrove. Besides these 4 who joined the club, we also extend a warm welcome to new members Millie Martin, Wanda James, Ramona Huff, plus James and Tammy Robertson.

During class, we're told to "keep the square tight", so the ladies don't have to walk so far during a promenade. Or, "it may be resulting in balloon-acy"...there are several photos elsewhere in this issue. Yours truly was not feeling well, so I felt it best to stay home that evening.

Note that we're **DARK** (not dancing) on June 24<sup>th</sup> for the National Square Dance Convention ® in Mobile, Alabama.

Several dancers traveled to the Twirling Lariats June Bug Jamboree on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, dancing to the calling of Tim Tyl. Several dancers plan to be at The Three Amigos United We Stand Dance on July 1<sup>st</sup>, at our regular dance site...with our own Phil Moorehouse being joined by Joey Duhamel and Gene Gancarczyk...see the flier elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website for more info.

Our Barn Dance is set for Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, at our regular dance site, with our own Phil Moorehouse calling. We'll have beans and taters at 6pm, with the dancing at 7pm...see the flier elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website for more details. Then, on Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, it's our 50's dance on Sept. 30...see the ad on the ASSDF website for details.

Be sure to check our Facebook page, or call before you travel,

to check for any last-minute cancellations.

*Daryl Stout*

## **Pioneers**

There are several photos from our Red White And Blue dance in late May elsewhere in this issue, along with some videos on our Facebook page.

*Becky Hestand*

## **River City Squares**



### **In Memoriam – Carl and Pam Burris**

We start this report on a sad note, with word of the passing of Carl Burris. A picture of Carl, with his late wife, Pam (who we lost a few years ago) is noted on the previous page. They were both dear friends,

and fellow Square Dancers. They traveled and danced all over the country, plus had many friends everywhere they went. What wonderful times we had with them. Please remember their family in your prayers.

At our June 6<sup>th</sup> dance, we had a great night, celebrating Jay King's 50 Years of Square Dance Calling (and our Wedding Anniversary of many years)(Jay and Jody). My, how time passes, when you're having fun! We're so very grateful, for having square dancing, and square dance friends in our life!!

We didn't get to go to CALLERLAB this year in Reno, Nevada; so they mailed Jay's 50 year Certificate to us, and their congratulatory letter with it. Thanks, CALLERLAB!! In one of the photos, you can't see me, but I'm multi-tasking. Taking pictures and singing harmony with Jay...camera in one hand, and microphone in the other. Also, at the dance, were some of the Charter Members of our Smile Club (Lol!!) (We have more, but these all happened to be in the same picture, so 😊).

At our June 13<sup>th</sup> dance, we had a nice crowd. ASSDF Presidents Ted and Tonia Hofmeister visited us, and it's always a pleasure to have their smiling faces with us. I danced so much, that I shirked my camera duties...so I only got a few pics from the last tip. Several photos from our June 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> dances are elsewhere in this issue.

*Jody King*

## **Twirling Funtimers**

Hope your summer is going well, and you are enjoying each month.

We'll have our Cowboy Roundup Dance, complete with an old fashion BBQ on the 21<sup>st</sup> of June. If you're in the area, come join us. See the flier on the ASSDF website for details.

The month of July is vacation time for most. It may make you think about vacationing in Mexico, Cozumel, Acapulco, or maybe Cancun? Since we probably won't make it to any of them, we will just have to

settle for a Taco Night, on July 19<sup>th</sup>. We'll have tortillas, corn & flour, & you can build your own. I wonder what interesting toppings will be available for our tastebuds.

Our students are progressing nicely. We currently have 4 students at about the halfway point of lessons. They are having fun and enjoying the help and friendship of our club dancers.

We dance every Wednesday at the Lloyd Travis Municipal building at 14 Skyles Lane, in Lakeview Arkansas. Current lessons are one hour, from 6-7pm, with mainstream and plus square and round dancing from 7:00 to 9:00pm. Stay cool as you dance on these hot summer nights.

**GO DANCE!**

*Donna Gellenbeck*

## **Twirling Lariats**

July anniversary is Bill and Lucy Lehman.

June 3 was a wonderful BBQ dinner and dance. There were 5 squares of dancers. Dinner was homemade BBQ made by Carolyn Cullins. Others brought salads, 2 kinds of coleslaw, potato salad, baked beans, pasta salad, and lots of desserts...including 3 different pies made by Ted Hofmeister's daughter, plus coconut cake, cookies, and more.

Tim Tyl called a great dance, as usual; and he brought his dog named "Rattler". He showed the dancers a new move, "Carousel Promenade". Some songs were "You Get A Line, And I'll Get A Pole, Summertime Blues", "Route 66, "Hey Lei Lee Lei Lee", "I Want To Polka All Night Long", "Cadillac Car", and "Crazy Rhythm Band", among many others.

Dinner was from 6 to 7, and dancing from 7 to 9...but, Tim's wife said "he could stay out late" so we danced until 9:30. Everyone had a blast.

There was also an "ll female square", with Steve Coy as one of the dancers. Several photos are elsewhere in this issue.

On July 1<sup>st</sup>, American Legion Hut Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road & Leah Lane) “United We Stand” Dance, with the 3 legendary callers, Phil Moorehouse, Gene Gancarczyk and Joey Duhamel. Cost is \$10.00 per person. See the flier elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website for info. Note that the club will be **DARK** on June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Independence Day is annually celebrated on July 4<sup>th</sup>, and is often known as "the Fourth of July.

Jerry and I recently went to see the B17F airplane the Flying Fortress near Sheridan. Grant County Veterans Memorial Park nearby is an option to learn about a piece of World War II history tied to the area.

The memorial site honors the nine airmen whose Boeing B-17F Flying Fortress crashed in Sheridan in 1943, and it's located at the crash site of the World War II bomber.

The plane was originally held back due to mechanical problems, and was eventually condemned for flight. But it was sent out to Florida anyway, to catch up with its squadron.

Enroute there, they hit a thunderstorm, which changed their flight path, and the plane ended up crashing in the field where the park currently resides.

Most all those men were under 25 years old. I guess they were excited about joining their squadron in Florida. These men died so that we're free...**freedom isn't free.**

We dance at the American Legion Hut, on Mann Road and Leah Lane, in Mabelvale, Arkansas on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Fridays from 7:30 to 9:30, with Joey Duhamel as our caller.

*Ginny Short*

Please notify the Editor if the following information is incorrect in either The Modern Square, or on the ASSDF website, so that it can be corrected.

- 1) Contact Information for caller, cuer, or club.
- 2) Club info (when/where they dance, regular or special dance, lessons, etc.).

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Please call before you travel, in case of any last minute changes/cancellations. If you feel ill on a dance night, or if bad weather is an issue, please stay home.

The deadline for items to be on the Editor's desk is 9pm, US Central Time on the 14<sup>th</sup> of the month, before the month of issue. If the 14<sup>th</sup> is on a Friday or Saturday, the deadline is extended to the Sunday after that.

Contact information for the Editor is located elsewhere in this issue.

Is your club planning on doing **New Dancer Lessons** soon?? If so, please email the info at least a month before classes begin, to [assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com](mailto:assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com) – the class info will noted at <https://www.arkansasquaredance.com/new-dancers> and in **The Modern Square**. Note that pre-dance lessons/workshops aren't included, as those are designed for "experienced dancers".

# Club Directory

Clubs that are **DARK** are **NOT** in the **Google Events Calendar** on the ASSDF website (<https://www.arkansassquaredance.com>).

Note that clubs that are **DANCING** may have to cancel a regular dance, or change the dance days, times, and locations, at the last minute, for various reasons. **Please call before you travel**; and if you feel ill, or if bad weather is an issue, please stay home.

Please advise the Editor if info for the clubs noted, or for the info in the Callers And Cuers section that follows, is wrong; so it can be corrected/updated...as well as advising the Editor 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 workshop before the dance, admission cost, and if the club is "couples only" or welcomes singles (not married, or without a dance partner).

## Benton

Bluebird Squares – 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, 7pm **DANCING**  
Saline County Fairgrounds, 406 Fairfield Road (Exit 116 & I-30)  
Caller: Carolyn Birdsong  
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## Charleston

Swingin' Cavaliers – Thursday, 7pm **DARK until September**  
Hug Chevrolet, 415 East Main  
Callers: Anita Vandergriff and Ron Keeling  
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Contact: Ron Keeling (479) 629-4736

## **Fort Smith**

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

Fort Smith Senior Center, 2700 Cavanaugh Road

Caller: Jay King

Contact: Jay King, 1402 North 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Van Buren, AR  
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## **Hot Springs**

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

Lake Hamilton Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 2891 Airport  
Road

Caller: Gene Gancarczyk

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

## **Judsonia**

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

**DANCING**

Judsonia Community Center, 601 Judson Street

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

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

## **Lakeview**

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

Loyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane

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

Contact: Rob and Donna Gellenbeck, 139 Dogwood Lane,  
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## **Little Rock (Mabelvale)**

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

### **DANCING**

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

Caller: Joey Duhamel

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

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

### **DANCING**

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

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

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

## **Mountain Home**

Pioneers – Monday, 6:30pm **DANCING**

Saint Andrews Episcopal Church, 511 Coley Drive

Caller: Roy Hestand

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## **Rose Bud**

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

Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

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

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

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

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

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

Contact: Sheila Gesing, 9760 Grant 7, Sheridan, AR 72150  
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## **Texarkana (New Boston, TX)**

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

Old Fellows Lodge, New Boston, TX

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 Registration # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Received \_\_\_\_\_  
 Payment Processed \_\_\_\_\_  
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RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:  
 Jim & Katie Green  
 73rd NSDC  
 2709 W. Wisconsin Ave.  
 Wauwatosa, WI 53213

Reg Form 01/01/23

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

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

- Magnet for Badge (pins provided free)  
 Program Book & Daily Schedules (\$26 after 4/30/2024) # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Round Dance Syllabus -  USB Drive or  Printed copy (Must be purchased by 4/30/2024) # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Printed copy & USB (Must be purchased by 4/30/24) # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$30.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sew & Save Book -  USB Drive or  Digital Download # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cookbook # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hearing Assistance Device # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Wednesday Night Entertainment - "Wisconsin Singers" # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 RV Camping **From back side of form - Deposit Only**  
 Bus Pass (Campers Only - Cost to be billed separately) # \_\_\_\_\_ Price 100 @ \$75.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Convenience Fee for Credit Card Processing @ \$ 3.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Due \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT (Complete if paying in person or by postal mail (US Funds))**  
 Check Enclosed  Cash (in Person) - Receipt # \_\_\_\_\_  Credit Card  
 Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Card Type (Visa, Mastercard, AmEx, Discover): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Dressy casual attire allowed until 6pm. Proper dance attire is requested after 6pm for all dancers.  
 73rd NSDC Convention badge required for entrance to all convention activities.  
 Shoes must be worn at all times.

**INFORMATION FOR COMPLETING FORM**

- You can complete this form and pay online at [www.73nsdc.com](http://www.73nsdc.com).
- Please PRINT legibly to ensure accuracy of information.
- If you have already PRE-REGISTERED using our short form, please enter names in the appropriate space for each badge and enter \$0 (zero) in subtotal by each name already registered to avoid duplicate charge. If not pre-registered, enter registration fee for each dancer plus quantity and correctly calculated amounts in the subtotal lines, then calculate and enter the total due.
- Registration fees: Adult \$65; Youth ages 5-17 by 6/26/2024 - \$32.50 Under 5 Free.
- Prices will increase **May 1, 2024** - Adult: \$80 - Youth ages 5-17: \$40. Persons 3-5 enter Adult or Youth. **\*Only need birthday of Youth.**
- Registrations are non-transferable.
- No One-, Two-, or Three-Day Registrations.
- A \$10.00 fee per registrant will be imposed for cancellations or changes before April 30, 2024. **No refunds after April 30, 2024.**
- Registrations received after April 30, 2024, will receive e-mail confirmation. If sending by mail include credit card information, check, or money order payable in U.S. funds to 73rd NSDC with this form. Do not send cash. If registering by email, omit payment information on form. You will receive an invoice by email. (Note \$3.00 CC payment convenience fee.)

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

DANCERS - PLEASE HELP US PLAN! Check all that apply.  
 SSD \_\_\_\_\_ Mainstream \_\_\_\_\_ Plus \_\_\_\_\_ Advanced \_\_\_\_\_ Challenge \_\_\_\_\_ Contra \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Lines \_\_\_\_\_ Rounds \_\_\_\_\_ Handicapable \_\_\_\_\_ Solo \_\_\_\_\_

**PROGRAMMED CALLERS & DANCE LEADERS**  
 You must update your profile online by 12/31/23 at [sdconvention.com](http://sdconvention.com)

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

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

MAP OF HOTELS - connected to Conv Center by Skywalks



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

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

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

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

Room nights needed: (4 Night Minimum)  
 5/22  5/23  M 6/24  T 6/25  W 6/26  T 6/27  F 6/28  S 6/29  S 6/30

# Additional arrive early? \_\_\_ or stay late nights? \_\_\_ Total nights requested \_\_\_  
 Room request: \_\_\_ Single \_\_\_ Double \_\_\_ Queen \_\_\_ King \_\_\_  
 \_\_\_ King Suite (Hilton only + \$75) \_\_\_ Handicap Accessible

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

Housing Committee does not find or assign roommates.

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

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

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

RV & CAMPING ACCOMMODATIONS

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

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

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

**Deposit will be returned if no site available. Site nights needed: (4 Night Minimum)**  
 5/22  5/23  M 6/24  T 6/25  W 6/26  T 6/27  F 6/28  S 6/29  S 6/30  
 # Additional arrive early? \_\_\_ or stay late nights? \_\_\_ Total nights requested \_\_\_

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

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

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

For campground info see - [wisstatefair.com/west/tv-park/](http://wisstatefair.com/west/tv-park/)

"A Tribute To The NSDC"  
For Ted and Tonia Hofmeister, Chairman, 2025 NSDC, and  
For all who've ever attended, or worked with  
The National Square Dance Convention (R)  
Written By Daryl Stout, 2023 Editor, Webmaster, Circulation Chairman  
Arkansas State Square Dance Federation

- 1) The National Square Dance Convention (R), or NSDC.  
Four days of dancing, workshops, fun; so much there, to see.  
Known to all as "The World's Greatest Square Dancing Event".  
But this poem can't fully tell, what it represents.
- 2) Though dancing in four days before, June's last Saturday.  
In a US city there; much more work, in play.  
Planning starts there several years, before a bid is made.  
Quite a lot of planning, work; there to make the grade.
- 3) Chairman couples who did lead, past NSDC.  
National Executive Committee, NEC.  
Into regions of the country, to review and guide.  
So, the event will be a matter, of hard work, and pride.
- 4) A dancing group that's headed by a married couple there.  
To oversee the ton of work; to be done, with care.  
Facilities for dancing, transportation, lodging, too.  
All evaluated there, process of review.
- 5) All the work is volunteer, for the hobby's good.  
So event can be successful; as all work, there should.  
With promotion from convention bureau in that town.  
It's the dancers working there, activities abound.
- 6) Four years out when dancing group, wants there, to be host.  
"The World's Greatest Dance Event"; inland, or on coast.  
A bid presentation done, at NSDC.  
Carefully reviewed there by, all with the NEC.
- 7) Then, at the closing ceremonies, on Saturday night.  
Announcing of the winning city, suspense is so tight.  
For the winning city there, work really now begins.  
So much to do now to prepare, that it makes one's head spin!!
- 8) Fund raising dances, promotions, and the souvenirs.  
For the costs to pay the bills, not get in arrears.  
Local, state, and regional, clubs, work in the task.  
Many workers needed there; so many things, to ask.

- 9) Early Bird pre-registrations, with seed money, there.  
Saves cost for the registrants, in fun that they'll share.  
These revenues, they also do, pay the bills, incurred.  
An event to be proud of, that's what is preferred.
- 10) Then, just over one year out, the Pre-Convention Dance.  
A sampling of what is in store; all planned, not by chance.  
Besides the dancing, the chance to, get involved, and serve.  
To stay there on event path; and not off it, swerve.
- 11) Not limited to Square Dancing, for its activities.  
Other forms of dancing, too; which are sure to please.  
Round Dancing, Contra Dancing there, Line Dancing exists.  
Even Handicapable; you won't want to miss.
- 12) Then, you have the seminars, workshops, and the forums.  
To learn of things in this great hobby, taking it by storm.  
Parade Of States, the Fashion Show, The Wednesday Night Event.  
Just like Christmas morning there, with gifts and presents.
- 13) Showcase Of Ideas there, displays from all around.  
Information on that state, souvenirs abound.  
Items that one can collect, from countries and from states.  
Things that visitors can see, tourism so great.
- 14) Whether single, married there; whether young or old.  
You'll find so much there to see, so much to behold.  
The pinnacle of dancing life, in this hobby grand.  
Of fellowship and yellowrocks, dancers from all lands.
- 15) Callers, cuers, prompters, and instructors will attend.  
Strangers that you haven't met, become new found friends.  
Reunion of so many folks, last for many years.  
You'll hate when it's time to go home, and may shed some tears.
- 16) More information is there in National Squares Online.  
Published each month, but July; info is so fine.  
All you'd want to know from the next NSDC.  
Once there, the hardest choice to make, is what next, to see.
- 17) One thing not to overlook; issue of safety.  
Don't overdo it, know your limits; do all carefully.  
First Aid for those who do too much, and not take a break.  
Ignoring how you feel there; a bad choice, to make.
- 18) Before convention, Callers School, they make each dancing fun.  
Whether there for many squares, or at dance, just one.  
Pre and Post Convention tours, to destinations wide.  
Fun there not just in the hall, but on the outside.

- 19) Then there, a dance syllabus, and the program guide.  
For all things of the event, so much there, inside.  
In some cases, a bus pass, from lodging to the halls.  
No fighting of the traffic there, or vehicles, to stall.
- 20) Where you spend your dancing time, that's yours to decide.  
A map of facilities, and dance halls, inside.  
Don't feel obligated to, just stay in one hall.  
Look to see what's offered there; though you can't see it all.
- 21) The ceremonies opening, start Wednesday afternoon.  
To the sounds of hoedown music, with its joyful tune.  
The Wednesday Night Dinner, Show...before the dancing starts.  
The entertainment planned for those, who've come there, to take part.
- 22) Then, three days activities, from morning into night.  
After breakfast, dancing through, almost till midnight.  
Though some halls take dinner breaks, most there go, non-stop.  
No matter your dance level there, you'll feel like you're on top.
- 23) Basic, Mainstream, Plus, Advanced, Challenge, DBD.  
All part of the square dancing, there that you can see.  
Patter calls and singing calls, or teaching workshops, there.  
To refresh your memory; or new calls, learn, prepare.
- 24) All calls are done in English there, no matter where you go.  
For some dancers, it's the only, English that they know.  
Whether told to go Red Hot, or then, go Ice Cold.  
Reach out and touch your partner there, with your hand, to hold.
- 25) Round Dancing phases run the gamut, phases one through six.  
Apart Point, Together Touch, so much one can't nix.  
No matter where you may there dance, here upon the Earth.  
You can't put a value on, what the hobby's worth.
- 26) Showcase Of Rounds, to watch these dancers, there upon display.  
NSDC Archives, and events of yesterday.  
Clinics at the dancing levels; with hex, progressive squares.  
If under 18, A Youth Hall; with their friends, to share.
- 27) Then, the vendors, who are selling, dancing goods and wares.  
For you can't imagine all, the stuff you will see there.  
Outfits and accessories, you won't believe your eyes.  
Everything that's offered there, surely to surprise.
- 28) Then of course, all dancing does, work up an appetite.  
Plenty of food options there, from morning into night.  
But, alcoholic beverages, none are there, allowed.  
This is event for young and old, families in the crowd.

- 29) If dancing all day into evening, you want more to do.  
 The After Parties, in the halls, with more fun to view.  
 Or go back to your hotel, or camping for the night.  
 To start it all once again, there at morning light.
- 30) For many folks, the yearly trip, to this fancy place.  
 By car, bus, train, plane, they travel; in vacation space.  
 Besides, the dancing, there are tours, offered there, to see.  
 For what the city, state, offers; in its history.
- 31) So many things there one can do, things that one can find.  
 The spectrum of all what is there, surely blows the mind.  
 Attendance varies widely there, whether great or small.  
 You'll find so much fun exists, in the dancing hall.
- 32) But, just as quickly as it starts, it's time for it to end.  
 Yet, you'll cherish memories, of your new found friends.  
 Whether dancers, callers, cuers, all hope again, to see.  
 Making plans for the next year's great NSDC.
- 33) From its humble start back there in Nineteen Fifty-One.  
 Whether you've attended several, or this is your first one.  
 Experience it for yourself; so much to do, and see.  
 The National Square Dance Convention (R), the NSDC.
- 34) Though I personally did make, several of these things.  
 Memories I won't forget; the happiness, those bring.  
 Now working behind the scenes, not on the dance floor.  
 It's the workers who are part, of the hobby's core.
- 35) And for all the dancers, workers, there in event, ranks.  
 As when the dancing's over there, all say a hearty "thanks"!!  
 For the hobby, all that's done...it is time, well spent.  
 You'll see why it is "The World's Greatest Square Dancing Event".

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Daryl Stout – Editor, Webmaster, & Circulation  
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**ASSDF members,**

We currently have 32 Modern Square print subscribers, of which 8 are not receiving the electronic version. Although we have dramatically reduced the print edition pages over the last two years to be able to continue the print edition, costs continue to exceed the subscription revenue. The Board had previously approved absorbing an annual loss of \$500 per year. At the current subscription rate, the ASSDF will exceed this loss this year. During the June 3<sup>rd</sup> ASSDF delegate meeting, the decision was made to discontinue the Modern Square print edition effective December 31, 2023.

What does this mean? Effective immediately, no new print subscriptions will be accepted. All current print subscriptions will continue to be fulfilled through the December Modern Square edition. All subscriptions will be prorated, and any remaining monies at the end of December can be refunded if subscribers request in lieu of donating the remaining funds to the ASSDF.

We encourage all subscribers, if they have not already enrolled for the FREE e-Edition, to do so now, by sending an email to [assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com](mailto:assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com) with their name, and their desire to subscribe to the e-Edition.

Effective with the January 2024 issue, the deadline for Modern Square submissions will move to 9pm the last Saturday of the month.

We understand there are users having trouble downloading the e-Edition. With this in mind, we are looking at creating multiple versions. One would be the current edition...one would look like the print edition and have no pictures...and a third might be a combination of these two, with less print and less pictures. We would like your input on whether this is necessary, and what you would like to see.

Please submit any recommendations to [assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com](mailto:assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com)

**Daryl Stout, Editor, Webmaster, Circulation Chairman, ASSDF**

Until the print edition ends (as noted), it's usually mailed by the 23<sup>rd</sup> of the month, prior to the month of issue. If you haven't yet received it by the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month (excluding Sundays/holidays), please contact the Editor to see if your print subscription is still current, or if a delay has occurred in printing and mailing.

If the print subscription is current, and your mailing address is correct, then please contact your local area Post Office, to find out what the delay is. Please stress that you need The Modern Square, because of the dance dates within it.

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## *E-Edition Extras for July, 2023*

Please email these [assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com](mailto:assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com) as I want to give credit to the photographers for the photos, especially if they come from the various club Facebook groups.

**Due to space limitations, I can't use all photos** (sent in, or from Facebook); but you can view these (and videos, where available) on the various club Facebook pages (where most of the photos come from); and the Square Dance Events Facebook Group...with info in their club reports, if one was provided.

Over 100 E-Edition photos are from dances from the Twirling Funtimers, River City Squares, Pioneers, Bluebird Squares, the Maverick Mixers Graduation Dance, plus several photos from the Twirling Lariats June Bug Jamboree. Many thanks to Anieta England, Loree Kant, Jody King, Ginny Short, Ted Hofmeister, Daryl Stout, and Carolyn Birdsong for the photos.

First, several photos from the Twirling Funtimers Crazy Hat and Hair Dance on May 17<sup>th</sup>...it certainly looked like quite a bit of “balloon-acy” to me (LOL!).











“The Cat In The Hat” lives!!



Next, several photos from the Bluebird Squares May 20<sup>th</sup> dance.









Next, several photos from the Pioneers Red White And Blue Dance on May 22<sup>nd</sup>.





















Next, a large number of photos from the Twirling Lariats 2023 June Bug Jamboree...please see their club report for details.





In the above photo, national caller Tim Tyl.



































Next, several pictures from the River City Squares June 6<sup>th</sup> and June 13<sup>th</sup> dances...see their club report for details.

# CALLERLAB HALF CENTURY CLUB

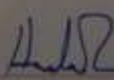
*In Recognition of Outstanding Service  
to the Square Dance Activity*

THIS IS TO CERTIFY

**Jay King**

HAS COMPLETED FIFTY YEARS AS A SQUARE DANCE CALLER  
AND MANY THOUSANDS OF DANCERS HAVE RECEIVED THE BENEFIT  
OF HIS/THEIR TALENT THROUGHOUT THOSE YEARS

IN WITNESS WHEREOF THIS CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN AWARDED ON THE 29<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2023

  
Harold Kern  
Chair



  
Teresa Berger  
Executive Director



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Dear Jay,

On behalf of CALLERLAB, the Board of Governors, and the entire Home Office Staff we offer our congratulations to you on serving square dancing as a caller during these past 50 years. We would like to invite you to attend the 2023 CALLERLAB Convention to be recognized and receive your 50th century certificate. If you are unable to attend, we will mail your certificate following the convention.

50 years of calling is an amazing accomplishment and we know you have dedicated many hours to the square dance activity during this time!

We look forward to your continued support of CALLERLAB and the square dance activity.

Again, Congratulations!





























In the above photo, River City Squares Caller Jay King, Joined during a tip by ASSDF President Ted Hofmeister.



Lastly, several pictures from the Maverick Mixers Graduation Dance...see their club report for details. The first photos are the 4 new graduates, the 4 candles of square dancing (for the actual graduation ceremony), four photos from the “stunts”, and lastly, selected photos from the rest of the dance.































For those traveling to the National Square Dance Convention ® in Mobile, Alabama...have a safe trip.

We hope to see you at The Three Amigos United We Stand Dance on Saturday, July 1, at American Legion Post 128 in Mabelvale...see the flier elsewhere in this issue for info.