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# **Policies:**

- 1. All items are now due on the Editor's Desk no later than 3pm Central Time, on the Sunday after the last Saturday of the month, before the month of issue.
- **2.** There is no word limit on club reports. **Minor editing is done** for grammar, punctuation, typos, and continuity.
- 3. Letters to the Editor must be signed. Names will be omitted upon request.
- **4.** Non-commercial ads that are submitted to promote dance events within the Federation area are accepted **only** from the **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 2024 ASSDF Executive Board is in the Jan. 2024 full e-Edition.

## 2024 Fall Festival Rick and Sheila Gesing

9760 Grant 7 Sheridan, AR 72150 (870) 942-2273 gesingsh@gmail.com



# President's Message

September Salutations, Fellow Dancers,

Wow! Every day after work, I get in my car, and it reads over 100°F!!! I'm ready for fall, and how!!

August passed in a blur for us. We attended 2 out-of-state conventions, Tennessee's and Alabama's, and really enjoyed them; especially when we ran into others from Arkansas who were there, and folks we knew from other dances. Square Dancing brings us all closer together. It's that Circle of Friends thing. We advertised our Fall Festival at both events, and hope to see some of those folks here in October. We promised them much cooler temperatures. Funny note: At our hotel in Gatlinburg, we were told not to leave any food in the car, or we'd have a bear in the car the next morning. Well, that's a first. If you have not attended another state's dance, we encourage you to try it out. It gave us ideas for new things to try here in Arkansas. One of those is an Arkansas Traveler Program/Badge. More about that at our festival!!

During the times we were home in August, we danced with a few clubs. We really enjoyed Bluebird Squares All Singing Call Dance. (We especially enjoyed dancing to Rocky Top!! Thanks, Carolyn!) One of us was able to attend the River City Squares' dance in Fort Smith, and Jay King is really fun to dance to. Meanwhile, the other part of this duo clogged with Lanita Hammett and the Arky Cloggers in Conway. You'll have to guess which of us did what? We were also glad to get one dance in with our home club, the Twirling Lariats. Joey Duhamel (our caller) was on his "A" game, and really had us dancing on the "Wild Side".

Speaking of "Dancing on the Wild Side", remember the **74th National Square Dance Convention** ® is only 10 months away! Make sure you register and take advantage of a national dance being so close, and chaired by our very own Ted and Tonia Hofmeister. I'm pretty sure you'll be able to register at a big state dance. Are you seeing a pattern here?

Right around the bend is the Federation's Fall Festival, Twirling Under the Stars, October 11-12 with the Trail End Dance on October 10 in Whitehall. We will be dancing to great local and national callers. It's always great to dance to new voices. There will be cake walks and other games, a silent auction, split the pot, and LOTS of DANCING! You don't want to miss a minute of all the fun and fellowship! This year, there will be a new way to win a prize. Request that any purchases for food, hotel, local shopping, etc., in the area, give you a paper receipt, which you will put your name on and drop in a collection bucket. We'll then draw for prizes at the end of the weekend from those receipts. It should add to some of the fun on Saturday evening. It's only 6 weeks away, so please sign up now and get your reservations for the hotels, camping, or air BnB's (bed and breakfast) made. We hope to see all of you, and some from other states joining us this year. Bear in mind that rooms may fill up fast, due to a football game in the region that weekend; so don't wait to make your reservations. The **Advance Registration Deadline** is Sept. 30.

Meanwhile in September, there are some special dances mid-month. September 14 is the **Maverick Mixers 50's Dance**; September 16 is the **Pioneers Hobo Dance**; and September 18 is the **Twirling Funtimers Fabulous 50's Dance** with guest caller Jay Wright. So it looks like those bobby socks and poodle skirts are going to get a workout as well as your overalls, bandanas, and knapsacks. Sounds like fun all the way around!

River City Squares are starting up lessons October 1. We have plans to teach square dance to a group of 16 teenagers at a small school in Little Rock as well. We hope your clubs will seek out new dancers. If you want help for your club, try <a href="https://www.usda.org">https://www.usda.org</a>, which is the United Square Dancers of America website. There are so many publications on that site as well as information on how to obtain help from the USDA. The publications include Recruiting New Dancers and Retaining Dancers. Consider going to the site, and taking a look

around.

Keep dancing and welcoming others to come join the fun. We hope to see you soon!

Yellow Rocks,

# 70m and Kim Jox, ASSDJ President, 2024

P.S. There's news elsewhere in this issue, along with a flyer (which is also now on the **ASSDF website** under **Upcoming Events**), on an exciting, fun dance in Hot Springs, Arkansas in late October...one that you surely won't want to miss!!



# **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 <a href="https://www.arkansassquaredance.com">https://www.arkansassquaredance.com</a> under **Resources**. If you, your club, or organization isn't listed below, please send an email to <a href="mailto:assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com">assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com</a> with the info.

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

Arkansas' Fall Festival, Arkansas State Square Dance Federation, Blue Belles and Beaus, Guys N Dolls, Heber Springers Square Dance Club, Jubilee Squares, Levi's And Lace, Maverick Mixers, Pioneers, Square Dancing With Jay King (River City Squares), Star Steppers, Swinging Cavaliers, The Three Amigos, Twirling Funtimers, & 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), & Texas Association of Single Square Dancers (TASSD).

### Caller and Cuer Websites:

Nelda Eaton

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The **full** e-Edition has full color on pictures/ads. The **compact** version is without these for those on **limited** data plans. Photos are from club Facebook groups, or sent in, and all these are in a **separate** PDF file for download (it can be **rather large**). Unless noted within ads, all the E-Edition links are **clickable**. Please let the Editor know if your email changes; or you won't get club updates (special dances, cancellations, changes), Modern Square releases, etc., if the email is returned as "**undeliverable**" (over quota mailbox, bad email address, etc.).

# From The Editor



It's almost time for the **ASSDF Fall Festival** in White Hall, with the Advance Registration deadline on Sept. 30. Registrations postmarked on or after October 1<sup>st</sup>, are higher cost-wise; and the accommodations may not be available, especially considering there's a football game in the region that weekend. In that regard, please get your registration and lodging requests sent in as soon as possible. A flier and registration form are at <a href="https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events">https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events</a>, plus elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website**, at the URL noted above.

Other **Special Dances** are noted at that same URL, and in the **Special Events Calendar** elsewhere in this issue. **Please call before you travel**, in case of any last-minute dance or festival cancellations (some clubs will also be **DARK** around the major holidays coming up), and if you're feeling ill on a dance night, or if bad weather is an issue, please stay home, for the safety of all concerned.

Several dancers went to regional festivals this past month, including the Tennessee State Convention in Gatlinburg, Tennessee...and to the "An Evening In Paris" Weekend, in Paris, Texas (2 photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition). When you are traveling, please take flyers for the **ASSDF Fall Festival**, and invite them to come to Arkansas to enjoy the hospitality of "The Natural State". Also, the Maverick Mixers and Star Steppers are selling raffle tickets to win a beautiful handmade quilt; see the ad that's elsewhere in this issue for details...one doesn't have to be present to win the quilt.

The first issue of National Squares Online, covering the 74<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention ® (NSDC) in Shreveport in June, 2025...is now online at the URL noted elsewhere in this issue. Our own Phil and Melody Moorehouse are the Publicity Chairpersons, with our own Ted and Tonia Hofmeister as General Chairpersons...along with several other dancers on the staff of "Dance On The Wild Side". Attending an NSDC is the "pinnacle" for anyone in this wonderful hobby. A special

all donation fundraiser dance for the **74<sup>th</sup> NSDC**, with National Caller Jack Pladdys will be in Hot Springs on Oct. 30 – see the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** under **Upcoming Events** for more details. It'll also be a big **Celebratory Birthday Bash** for our own Ted Hofmeister

I'm glad that September is the start of meteorological autumn, and the soon start of cooler weather. Along that line, some clubs are starting new square dance classes during the cooler fall months. So, if you club is planning lessons, please send an email with the details to the Editor at <a href="mailto:assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com">assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com</a> — flyers will be put in the full e-Edition, and on the ASSDF website under New Dancers. The only one I know of starting lessons at this time are the River City Squares, with Jay King. See the flyer that's elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website under New Dancers for details.

**Special Dance Photos**, etc. for much of **August 2024**, downloadable at <a href="https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square">https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square</a>, were from the emails, Facebook pages, and special dances from the **NEOSDA Square Dance Grapevine**, the **ASSDF Facebook page**, the Bluebird Squares, Twirling Lariats, Swingin' Cavaliers, and Maverick Mixers.

Many thanks to Elaine Cox, Patti Cummings, Ginny Short, Ellen Glover Lewis, Carolyn Birdsong, Pat Lusk, Eva Himes Keeling, Tom and Kim Fox, plus Daryl Stout for the photos.

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

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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 **all** information is provided, the earlier the listing will appear. Further info/flyers, are at <a href="https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events">https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events</a>

# **National Square Dance Convention® (NSDC)**

2025 - June 25-28, 2025	74 <sup>th</sup> NSDC Host City: Shreveport, Louisiana			
2026 - June 24-27, 2026	75 <sup>th</sup> NSDC Host City: Waco, Texas			
2027 - June 23-26, 2027	76 <sup>th</sup> NSDC Host City: Loveland, Colorado			
2028 - June 21-24, 2028	77 <sup>th</sup> 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 <a href="https://nsdcnec.com">https://nsdcnec.com</a>

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 <a href="https://nsdcnec.com/national-squares-e-magazine/">https://nsdcnec.com/national-squares-e-magazine/</a> for links to thumbnails of the last 10 issues; then click on the desired issue(s) to view, or download and print the PDF file(s). Topics covered include Registration/Housing/RV Camping, Callers School (held prior to the NSDC), badges/ribbons, Solo/Single Dancers (unmarried or without a dance partner), Program Books/Daily Schedules (individual and total), Souveniers, Vendors, Dance Facilities Map, Wednesday Night Dinner And Show, Trail-End Dances, Group Exhibitions, Workshops, Tours, Pre/Post Convention Events, Restaurants, Travel Options, Places To Visit, Various NSDC Committees, Upcoming NSDC Info, Mobility Scooters, First Aid, Educational Forums, Fashion Show, Showcase Of Ideas, Sew And Save, General Info, Ceremonies, Ads, and much more.

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



Hosted by Levis & Lace, Mayerick Mixers, Star Steppers, and Twirling Lariats

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October 10, 2024

7 pm to 10 pm

White Hall Community Center

9801 Dollarway Road, White Hall, Arkansas 72601

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Gene Gancarczyk, Joey Duhamel, and Phil Moorehouse

Three GREAT callers one fantastic evening of mainstream with announced plus and line dancing!!

Everyone welcome, \$10 per dancer, Free for non-dancers.

Questions call Rick Gesing (870-883-1363) or Sheila Gesing (512-968-4876)

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Arkansas State Square Dance Federation Fall Festival

# TWIRLING UNDER THE STARS

Hosted by Levis and Lace, Mayerick Mixers, Star Steppers, and the Twirling Lariats

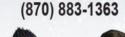
# **JOIN US OCTOBER 11-12, 2024**

Come early for the Trail End dance October 10th, at the same location, with three Arkansas callers from 7pm - 10pm, \$10 per person at the door

9801 Dollarway Rd, White Hall, AR 71602











Mail registration and payment to Sheila Gesing, 9760 Grant 7, Sheridan AR, 72150 Early registration must be postmarked by Sept 30, 2024. Please ensure checks are payable to ASSDF

Name(s)				Phone			
Address			City	s	tate	Zip	
Email				Club Name	<u> </u>		<u> </u>
Tickets (per person) *18 & Unde	r free with	adult*					
Full Weekend (early registration)	\$30 x _	=		Friday only	\$20 x	=	
Full Weekend (after 10/01)	\$35 x _	=		Saturday only	\$20 x	=	<u> </u>

# See you in White Hall for all the Dancing!

# Friday - October 11, 2024

9:00 – 12:00 Registration/Information Desk 9:30 – 12:00 Plus Workshop - Joey Duhammel (Gym) 9:00 am – 12:00 pm – Executive Meeting (Room C) 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm – Lunch Break 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm – Registration/Information Desk 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm – Arkansas Callers (Gym)

Friday Evening

4:30 pm - 6:00 pm - Dinner Break

Master of Ceremonies – Phil Moorehouse 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm Rounds – Marge Sherrill 7:00 pm Grand March 7:15 pm Welcome by Kim and Tom Fox 7:30 pm – 10:30 pm – Ken Burke



# Saturday - October 12, 2024

8:00 am – 8:30 am – Saturday Delegate Breakfast 8:30 am – 10:30 am – Delegates Meeting 10:30 am – 4:00 pm – Registration/Information Desk 10:30 am – 12:30 am – Caller Lab (Room C) 10:30 am – 12:30 am – Caller Phil Moorehouse (Gym) 12:30 am – 1:30 am – Lunch Break 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm – Arkansas Callers (Gym) 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm – Dinner Break

# Saturday Evening

Master of Ceremonies – Phil Moorehouse 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm Rounds – Marge Sherrill 7:00 pm Parade of Clubs 7:15 pm Welcome by Kim and Tom Fox 7:20 pm Introduction of Officers – Kim and Tom Fox 7:30 pm – 10:30 pm – Tim Tyl 9:00 pm – Basket/Silent Auction Results



# Hotels:

 Super 8 by Wyndham
 \$65+ tax nightly

 8000 Sheridan Way, White Hall, AR 71602

 (877) 361-2508 -- reference ITN# \$136B446191144

TownePlace Suites by Marriott \$135 + tax nightly 8531 Sheridan Road, White Hall, AR 71602 (870) 939-4500

# Camping:

Jackson's RV Park - \$30/night
921 Sheridan Road, Redfield, AR 72132
(13 miles from Dance Venue)
(870) 267-0282

Deam RV Park Campground - \$35/night 109 Deam Ln, Pine Bluff, AR 71601 (18 miles from Dance Venue) (870) 329-5558

# Local Contacts

Rick Gesing (870) 883-1363 Sheila Gesing (512) 968-4876



# Arkansas State Square Dance Federation

"Twirling Under the Stars"
2024 Fall Festival
White Hall Community Center, White Hall, AR

Hosted by Levis and Lace, Star Steppers, Twirling Lariats, and Maverick Mixers October 11 - 12, 2024



# Program Schedule



The Star Steppers and Maverick Mixers are selling raffle tickets for a chance to win the beautiful handmade (82x88) quilt, done by Tammy Robertson, that's shown above. Tickets are \$1 each, and the quilt drawing will be held on Saturday, Oct. 12, 2024, at the 2024 ASSDF Fall Festival in White Hall, AR, during the evening dance (contact info revised June 1, 2024).

Please see any member of the Star Steppers or the Maverick Mixers for more info, or for tickets. You can also contact these folks if you have any questions:

Kathy Tankersly: (870) 718-0571 Lanita Hammett: (501) 889-4679 Nancy Finney: (501) 551-6144

Kim Fox: (501) 416-5260

# Maverick Mixers 50s Dance!



# Saturday, September 14, 2024

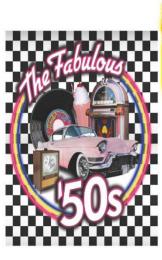
Plus lessons at 6:30 PM Dance at 7:00 PM

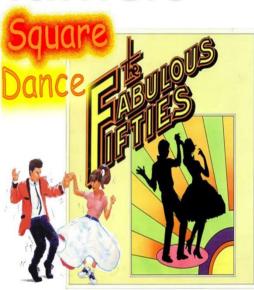
American Legion Hut 9925 Leah Lane – Mabelvale, AR

\$12/month for Members / \$8 per night for Guests
Caller - Roy Hestand

Need more information? Contact Lanita Hammett – (501) 889-4679

# Twirling Funtimers





Wednesday September 18, 2024

6:00-8:30pm, \$7

Caller: Jay Wright Cuer: Marge Sherrill

Lloyd Travis Community Center
14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview, AR
www.facebook.com/twirlingfuntimers
Call 870-404-4158 for info

# "Take Me Dancing!"

Square Dance Lessons

Tuesday Oct 1<sup>st</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> 6:30 to 8:30pm

Classes confinue on Tuesdays 6:30 to 7:45pm

\$5.00 per person per night



River City Squares Square Dance Club

Dancing Location:

Fort Smith Senior Center 2700 Cavanaugh Rd Fort Smith. Ar 72956

# "Square Dancing, That Is"

# The Bluebird Squares presents their 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Life Is Good Taco Bar & Dance

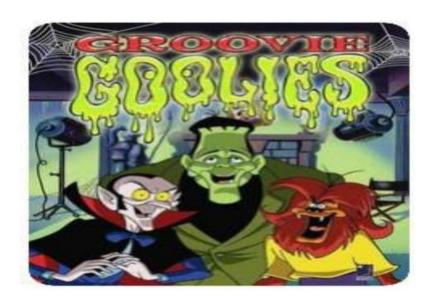
Saturday, October 19th, 2024



Eat at 6:15 - Dance 7:00 to 9:00 \$10.00 per person Saline County Fairgrounds Exit 116 off I-30 in Benton Caller: Carolyn Birdsong

Questions?? Contact Carolyn at (501) 813-7239

# Maverick Mixers Groovie Goolies



# Saturday, October 26, 2024

Plus lessons at 6:30 PM Dance at 7:00 PM

American Legion Hut 9925 Leah Lane – Mabelvale, AR

\$12/month for Members / \$8 per night for Guests Caller - Phil Moorehouse

> Need more information? Contact Lanita Hammett – (501) 889-4679

# The 74th National Square Pance Convention® presents a special one-night event featuring

# **CALLER JACK PLADDYS**

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 30, 2024 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM Bella Luna of Millcreek

Venue address: 809 Millcreek Rd, Hot Springs Natl Pk, AR 71901



Don't miss out on the fun!

Special donation only dance is a fund-raising event for the 74th NSDC

# NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CALLER JACK PLADDYS

From Indian Springs, Ohio, Jack has called extensively throughout the U.S., Canada, Japan, the Middle East & Europe. He currently records with Royal Records. Jack serves on the Board of Governors for CALLERLAB and is an accredited Caller Coach; serves as Central U.S. Leader for Grand Square International, Inc.; & is currently Vice President of the Miami Valley Callers Association in Dayton, Ohio. Jack operates the Midwest Caller College & is a staff coach for the National Square Dance Convention® GSI Caller School.

# YOU'RE INVITED TO THE BIG BIRTHDAY BASH!

Come dance & help Ted Hofmeister, the 74th NSDC General Chairman, celebrate his birthday!

Same Date, Venue & Time!



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Register: 74th NSDC June 25-28, 2025 in Shreveport at www.74NSDC.com

# Maverick Mixers HONOR OUR VETERANS!



Saturday, 11/09/2024

Plus lessons at 6:30 PM Dance at 7:00 PM

American Legion Hut 9925 Leah Lane – Mabelvale, AR

> \$12/month for Members \$8/night for Guests

Caller - Phil Moorehouse

Need more information? Contact Lanita Hammett – (501) 889-4679

# Maverick Mixers Giving Thanks & Giving Back



American Legion Hut 9925 Leah Lane in Mabelvale

# Saturday, November 30th for our Giving Thanks & Giving Back Dance!

(a 5th Saturday special)

Plus lessons at 6:30 / Dance at 7:00.

\$6 for Members / \$8 for Guests

Caller will be Phil Moorehouse.

Donations will be accepted for a charity TBA

For more info contact Lanita (501) 889-4679

# **MAVERICK MIXERS**

# will host a



Join us at the American Legion Hut (9925 Leah Lane in Mabelvale) on Saturday, **December 14** for our **Ho Ho Ho Holiday Hoedown**!

Plus lessons at 6:30 / Dance at 7:00.

\$12/month for Members / \$8 per night for Guests Caller will be Phil Moorehouse.

For more info contact Lanita (501) 889-4679

The Three Amigos "Yellowrocks Alive In 2025" Dance



Callers: Joey Duhamel, Phil Moorehouse, Gene Gancarczyk Saturday, January 4, 2025 – 7pm to 10pm - \$10 per person American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane, Mabelvale, AR For more information, please contact:

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







# **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!!

The listings of dances/festivals are with the **ASSDF Clubs** first, then the out of state dances/festivals in states close to Arkansas (Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas). Take 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 <a href="mailto:assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com">assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com</a>

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 <a href="https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events">https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events</a>

# ASSDF Club Special Dances

### SEPTEMBER 2024

**Sep. 2, 2024 – Pioneers** are **DARK** tonight.

**Sep. 14, 2024 – Maverick Mixers 50's Dance**. American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Little Rock, AR. Plus Lessons at 6:30pm, Dance at 7pm. Guest Caller: Roy Hestand. Square Dance or 50s Attire, with Ice

Cream Floats on the Duty Square. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**Sept. 16, 2024 – Pioneers Hobo Dance**. St. Andrews Church, 511 Coley Drive, Mountain Home, AR. Dance at 6:30pm. Caller: Roy Hestand.

Sept. 18, 2024 – Twirling Funtimers Fabulous 50's Special Dance. Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview, AR. Dance at 6pm. Guest Caller: Jay Wright. Cuer: Marge Sherrill. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Sept. 30, 2024 – Advance Registration Deadline for the 2024 ASSDF Fall Festival

### **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). See the Flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website for more info. ASSDF Callers and Cuers, plus Ken Burke and Tim Tyl. Note that there is a football game in town that weekend, so reserve your hotel rooms as soon as possible.

Oct. 11, 2024 – Heber Springers and Levi's And Lace are DARK tonight.

Oct. 12, 2024 – Maverick Mixers are DARK tonight.

Oct. 16, 2024 – Twirling Funtimers Anniversary Dance. Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview, AR. Dance at 6pm. Caller: Donna Gellenbeck. Cuer: Marge Sherrill.

Oct. 19, 2024 – Bluebird Squares 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Life Is Good Taco Bar Dance. Saline County Fairgrounds, 406 Fairfield Road, Benton, AR. Taco Bar at 6:15, Dance at 7pm. Caller:

Carolyn Birdsong. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Oct. 25, 2024 – Heber Springers Dan Nordbye Dance. Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Dance at 7pm. Caller: Dan Nordbye.

Oct. 26, 2024 – Maverick Mixers Groovie Goolies Halloween Dance. American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Little Rock, AR. Plus Lessons at 6:30pm, Dance at 7pm. Caller: Phil Moorehouse. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Oct. 28, 2024 – Pioneers Halloween Special Dance. St. Andrews Church, 511 Coley Drive, Mountain Home, AR. Dance at 6:30pm. Guest Caller: Dan Nordbye.

Oct. 30, 2024 – 74<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention ® Donation Fundraiser Dance, Hot Springs, AR. Caller: Jack Pladdys. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website for more info. \* Special Birthday Bash for 74<sup>th</sup> NSDC General Chairperson Ted Hofmeister \*

# **NOVEMBER 2024**

Nov. 9, 2024 – Maverick Mixers Honor Our Veteran's Dance. American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Little Rock, AR. Plus Lessons at 6:30pm, Dance at 7pm. Caller: Phil Moorehouse. All Veterans will be recognized at the dance. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**Nov. 11, 2024 – Pioneers Veteran's Day Dance**. St. Andrews Church, 511 Coley Drive, Mountain Home, AR. Dance at 6:30pm. Caller: Roy Hestand.

Nov. 20, 2024 – Twirling Funtimers Thanksgiving M\*A\*S\*H\* Special Dance. Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview, AR. Dance at 6pm. Caller: Donna Gellenbeck. Cuer: Marge Sherrill.

Nov. 25, 2024 – Pioneers Thanksgiving Week Special Dance. St. Andrews Church, 511 Coley Drive, Mountain Home, AR. Dance at 6:30pm. Caller: Roy Hestand.

Nov. 27, 2024 – Twirling Funtimers are DARK tonight.

Nov. 28, 2024 - Swingin' Cavaliers are DARK tonight.

Nov. 30, 2024 – Maverick Mixers 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday Giving Thanks and Giving Back Dance. American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Little Rock, AR. Dance at 7pm. Caller: Phil Moorehouse. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

### **DECEMBER 2024**

**Dec. 14, 2024** – **Maverick Mixers Ho-Ho-Ho Hoedown Christmas Dance**. American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane, Mann Road and Leah Lane, Little Rock, AR. Plus Lessons at 6:30pm, Dance at 7pm. Caller: Phil Moorehouse. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**Dec. 18, 2024 – Twirling Funtimers Christmas Dance**. Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview, AR. Dance at 6pm. Callers: Donna Gellenbeck and Ken Jarman. Cuer: Marge Sherrill.

Dec. 21, 2024 – Bluebird Squares Santa And His Elf Christmas Dance. Saline County Fairgrounds, 406 Fairfield Road, Benton, AR. Dance at 7pm. Callers: Carolyn Birdsong and Phil Moorehouse.

**Dec. 23, 2024 – Pioneers Christmas Dance**. St. Andrews Church, 511 Coley Drive, Mountain Home, AR. Dance at 6:30pm. Caller: Roy Hestand.

Dec. 25, 2024 – Twirling Funtimers are DARK tonight.

Dec. 28, 2024 – Maverick Mixers End Of The Year Celebration Dance. American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Little Rock, AR. Dance at 7pm. Caller: Phil Moorehouse.

# **JANUARY 2025**

Jan. 3, 2025 – The Twirling Lariats are DARK tonight.

Jan. 4, 2025 – The Three Amigos Yellowrocks Alive in 2025 Dance. American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Little Rock, AR. Dance at 7pm. Callers: Joey Duhamel, Phil Moorehouse, and Gene Gancarczyk. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website for more info.

# Out Of State Special Dances/Other Festivals

### SEPTEMBER 2024

**Sept. 13-14, 2024 – 74**<sup>th</sup> **National Square Dance Convention** ® **Fundraiser Dance Weekend**, Bossier City, LA. Callers: Phil Moorehouse, Tim Tyl, and Joey Duhamel. Cuers: Ken Vantiger and Martin Philyaw. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**Sept. 19, 2024 – Lagniappe Dance**, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**Sep. 27-28, 2024 – Pioneer Festival**, Wichita Falls, TX. Callers: Bobby Willis and Jeff Holley. Cuers: Jeffrey and Jennifer Ewton. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

### OCTOBER 2024

Oct. 3, 2024 – Lagniappe Dance, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Oct. 18-19, 2024 – Missouri State Square Dance Festival, Sedalia, MO. Caller: Ken Burke. Cuers: Cathy and Fred Fisher. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info, or go to <a href="https://www.squaredancemissouri.com/Missouri/Flyers/MissouriFestival-2024/">https://www.squaredancemissouri.com/Missouri/Flyers/MissouriFestival-2024/</a>

Oct. 26, 2024 – Rock Around The Square Mainstream Dance, Lawton, OK. Caller: Vernon Jones. See the flyer on the ASSDF website for more info.

## **NOVEMBER 2024**

Nov. 7, 2024 – Lagniappe Dance, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Nov. 22-23, 2024 – Oklahoma Square Dance Federation State Festival, Ardmore, OK. See the flyer on the ASSDF website for more info, or go to <a href="http://oksdf.org">http://oksdf.org</a> - Pre-Party Dance on Nov. 22.

# **DECEMBER 2024**

Dec. 6-7, 2024 – NTCA Callers Calvacade and NORTEX 2024 Round Toys On Parade Dance, Richardson, TX. NTCA

Callers Calvacade on Dec. 6, Toys On Parade Dance Dec. 7. Featured Caller: Jet Roberts. Staff Callers: Vernon and Kayla Jones. Staff Cuers: Lucy and Jerry Pate. Donations will be taken for Toys For Tots at the Dec. 7 dance. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**Dec. 19, 2024 – Lagniappe Dance**, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

# JANUARY 2025

Jan. 24-25, 2025 – 13<sup>th</sup> Annual General Butler Bash Plus And Advanced Square and Round Dance Weekend, Center For Rural Development Convention Center, Somerset, KY. Callers: Jack Pladdys, Travis Cook, Tom Davis. Guest Caller: Tony Oxendine. Cuer: Elaine Wintrow. See the flyer on the ASSDF website for more info, or go to <a href="https://www.generalbutlerbash.com">https://www.generalbutlerbash.com</a>

# **JUNE 2025**

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

## **JUNE 2026**

June 24-27, 2026 – 75<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention ®, Waco, Texas. More info, as well as an Early Bird Registration Form are at <a href="https://75nsdctx.com/">https://75nsdctx.com/</a>

### **JUNE 2027**

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

®, Loveland, Colorado. More info will be posted as soon as possible.

# Club Reports

# **Bluebird Squares**

Don't pull the pumpkin spice out just yet! Fall doesn't start until the 22<sup>nd</sup>, and I'm not done with my frozen margarita! Lol! So happy that Razorback football has started, and they had a huge win the first week. I was there at War Memorial! It started out at 95 in the direct sun, but the sun went behind the building, and it dropped down to 91!

Our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual All Singing Call Dance went very well! We had two squares when everyone danced, including Phil; and he called while he danced! He's awesome! Everyone did very well learning That Thing We Do line dance to the song Tornado by Little Big Town. They've got it! A very loud **THANK YOU** to Phil, everyone that came and everyone that brought snacks! I'll tell you this; I did not have even one of my homemade chocolate chip cookies left! Several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

This month, we'll dance September 21<sup>st</sup>. Watch out for patties; we'll be sharing the Fairgrounds with the Junior Rodeo, so there will be lots of horses!

Mark your calendar for October 19<sup>th</sup>. It'll be our annual Life Is Good Taco Bar Dance. Mmmmm! You just can't go wrong with tacos! Please see the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Bluebird Squares' dances are always casual. That's how I roll! September is still hot and dry! It would be a great idea to offer a fountain or bath for the birds. I have some great videos and pics of the birds bathing! They really love their baths! Lol!

The very prolific bluebird couple I have is finally done after having four broods and TWENTY precious babies! It's an absolute joy watching the babies learning to bathe and eat at the Birdfy. One of my favorite videos is where the bluebird dad is peacefully eating

mealworms on the Birdfy, and a baby swoops down and lands on top of dad! I crack up everytime I watch it! I'm also having a bunch of hummers stopping on their way to North America. I love standing by the feeders and getting hummed by them! Their wings blow my hair! I am a true bird nerd, but I have to be with my last name!

Ya'll come laugh, eat and dance with us! Would love to see ya'll!

# Carolyn Birdsong

# **Guys And Dolls**

We dance at Plentiful Harvest Church, at 500 North Merrill in New Boston, Texas, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month, at 7pm, with Nelda Eaton as our caller.

# Rhonda Bailey

### **Maverick Mixers**

It's good to finally be heading toward cooler weather...while I personally like "hot hash patter", as well as the call "Red Hot", I like the call of "Ice Cold", and the colder weather. While that makes the arthritis hurt more, it means no insects, no heat illness, no mowing of the lawn, and no tornadoes. However, if there is snow and ice at times during the upcoming winter, we likely will be canceled that night, in the interest of safety.

With the time of year, it's also "Back To School Time", and we had 2 squares at our Backpack Dance on August 24th, with donations of \$119, and school supplies for Anne Watson Elementary in Bigelow. Our own Lanita Petty Hammett presented the check to Kayde Spears, a Counselor at the school. This yearly dance that we do helps needy kids with school supplies. Lanita also did the final singing call for the evening. A highlight of the duty square was a delicious pumpkin pie made by our own Carol Souza. Photos from that dance, and from our Aug. 10th dance are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

This month, on September 14<sup>th</sup>, it's our **50's Dance**, where we'll have ice cream floats on the duty square. Roy Hestand of the Pioneers square dance club will be our Guest Caller, as our own Phil Moorehouse will be calling at the Fundraiser Dance for the 74<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention ® that weekend. You can wear square dance attire, or 50's attire to the dance.

Other Special Dances this year are our **Groovie Goolies Halloween Dance** on Oct. 26, our **Honor Our Veterans Dance** on Nov. 9, our **Giving Thanks and Giving Back Dance** on Nov. 30, our **Ho-Ho-Ho Hoedown Christmas Dance** on Dec. 14, and our **End Of Year Celebration Dance** on Dec. 28. Then, to start 2025, it'll be **The Three Amigos Yellowrocks Alive In 2025 Dance** on Jan. 4, 2025...with our own Phil Moorehouse joined by Joey Duhamel and Gene Gancarczyk.

Flyers for these are at <a href="https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events">https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events</a> for the rest of our special dances this year, as well as elsewhere in this issue. They're also noted in the **Special Events Calendar** elsewhere in this issue. We hope to see many of you at these dances.

We dance at American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and selected 5<sup>th</sup> Saturdays. We have a pre-dance Plus Level workshop at 6:30pm, then dance from 7pm to 9pm, with our own Phil Moorehouse always calling a great dance. Note that we're **DARK** on October 12<sup>th</sup> for the **ASSDF Fall Festival**.

Speaking of the **ASSDF Fall Festival**, the Maverick Mixers are selling raffle tickets (\$1 each) for a beautiful handmade 82x88 quilt, done by Tammy Robertson...the drawing will be on Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>, at the **ASSDF Fall Festival**. Please see any club member for tickets, and a photo of the quilt elsewhere in this issue.

Be sure to check our Facebook page, or call before you travel, for any last-minute changes or cancellations.

# Daryl Stout

# **Pioneers**

Our Hobo Dance is this month on Monday, Sept. 16. Come dressed as

your favorite hobo, and be ready for a fun evening of dancing to our own Roy Hestand. Roy will also be the Guest Caller at the Maverick Mixers 50's Dance 2 nights earlier, on Saturday, Sept. 14.

### Becky Hestand

### **River City Squares**

We had the pleasure of watching one of our fellow Square Dancers get married to one of our Future Square Dancers. They included Square and Line Dancing in their reception. Congratulations to the Handsome Groom (Keith), and the Beautiful Bride (Karen). Wishing you both a Lifetime of Happiness!!! We look forward to having Karen in our next Square Dance Class on Tuesday, Oct. 1st @ 6:30pm. Several photos of the newly married couple are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

As for the square dance lessons, please see the flyer elsewhere in this issue, on our Facebook page, and on the **ASSDF website** under **New Dancers** for details.

### Jody King

### Swingin' Cavaliers

We are dancing again at Hug Chevrolet in Charleston on Thursday nights.

I don't have great pictures, but I have a few of Keith Reinschmiedt and his bride Karen, at the wedding. It was a great wedding with lots of dancing. We wish them well!! Also, Manon and Greg have a new baby girl. Congratulations!!!

Pictures from the square dance wedding, and the new arrival (hopefully, a future square dancer), are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

### Eva Himes Keeling

### **Twirling Funtimers**

Our September Special Dance features Jay Wright from Joplin, Missouri, calling for our "Fabulous Fifties" dinner/dance on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Some of us will remember that time as "real time"...a time to reflect on an era that saw profound changes in our social culture, music, dance, and fashions. Come dressed to reflect those fabulous 50's. We will serve a meal from 6pm to 6:30pm before the dance. A flyer for that dance is elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** under **Upcoming Events**.

Our other special dances this year will be our Anniversary Dance on Wednesday, Oct. 16. Then, on November 20, it'll be our Thanksgiving Dance, with a M\*A\*S\*H\* theme, from the classic TV show...note that we'll be **DARK** on November 27 for the Thanksgiving Holiday. To finish out the year, it'll be our Christmas dane on December 18...and we'll be **DARK** on December 25 for the Christmas holiday. At the October, November, and December dances, Donna Gellenbeck and Ken Jarman will call the squares, with Marge Sherrill cueing the round dancing.

We dance every Wednesday from 6:00 to 8:30pm at the Lloyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview AR. Ken Jarman and Donna Gellenbeck are the Clubs callers, and Marge Sherrill is our round dance cuer. Follow us on our Facebook page at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/twirlingfuntimers">https://www.facebook.com/twirlingfuntimers</a>

### Anieta England

### **Twirling Lariats**

A **BIG** thank you to all our guests that came out to support Twirling Lariats on August 2...you're the most caring, and fun people in the world. Several of our dancers were over in Gatlinburg, Tennessee that night for the Tennessee State Convention that weekend, so we greatly appreciate everyone who came.

Thanks to our guests, Gene and Carolyn Gancarczyk, Jim and Nancy Finney, Mike and Lanita Hammett, Art Ritter, Lee Connor, Alan Zoellner, Millie Marlin, Rebecca Robeaux, and Becca (sorry I forgot

your last name).

And, I can't leave out our faithful members of Cliff Taylor, Carolyn Cullins, Mike and Ellen Lewis, Lu Jones, and my personal favorite Sheena Garner. (Apologies if I forgot anyone).

At our August 16 dance, we had 2 squares. The men did "the beer mug chain" (companion to the Teacup Chain), and the ladies showed them how to do it. Photos from that dance are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

Thanks to our caller, Joey Duhamel, for another fun and interesting night. He has been talking with Tim Tyl again, and trying out new moves on us.

We hope you all come back soon as we look forward to dancing with you all.

### 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 <a href="mailto:assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com">assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com</a>— the info will be at <a href="https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/new-dancers">https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/new-dancers</a> 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. These can be square dancing, round dancing, line dancing, or clogging. A dance partner is normally not required, but check with the contact person noted to be sure.

Go to <a href="https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/resources">https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/resources</a> for a link on how to get youth involved in square dancing...and for a link to **promotional videos**, that can be **customized for your club**, or organization website, to introduce people to square dancing.

Fort Smith, AR: River City Squares. Starting October 1, 2024. Caller/Instructor: Jay King. Please see the flyer elsewhere in this issue, on our Facebook page, and on the ASSDF website under New Dancers for more details.

### Club Directory

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

Clubs that are **DARK** may still be in the **Google Events Calendar** on the **ASSDF website** (<a href="https://www.arkansassquaredance.com">https://www.arkansassquaredance.com</a>), but 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).

### **Benton**

Bluebird Squares – 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, 7pm **DANCING**Saline County Fairgrounds, 406 Fairfield Road (Exit 116 & I-30)
Caller: Carolyn Birdsong
Contact: Carolyn Birdsong, 28912 Bandy Road, Little Rock, AR

72223 (501) 813-7239

### Charleston

Swingin' Cavaliers – Thursday, 7pm DANCING

Hug Chevrolet, 415 East Main

Callers: Anita Vandergriff and Ron Keeling

Contact: Anita Vandergriff, 8215 Tyro Road, Hackett, AR

72937 (479) 274-9775

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 12th Street, Van Buren, AR

72956 (479) 474-8500

### **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, 6pm to 8pm DANCING Mainstream/Plus, with Round Dance Phases 1, 2, and 3

Lloyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane -- \$7 per

person (Special Dances on 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday) Callers: Donna Gellenbeck and Ken Jarman

Cuer: Marge Sherrill

Contact: Anieta England (870) 449-5135

### 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

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

Mainstream with announced Plus

American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and

Leah Lane) -- \$8 per person Caller: Phil Moorehouse

Contact: Daryl Stout, P.O. Box 55655, Little Rock, AR 72215

(501) 690-8325

### **Mountain Home**

Pioneers – Monday, 6:30pm **DANCING** 

Saint Andrews Episcopal Church, 511 Coley Drive

Caller: Roy Hestand

Contact: Roy Hestand, 55 Fletcher Street, Mountain Home, AR

72653 (870) 329-1141

### **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

### 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

(870) 942-2273

### New Boston, TX

Guys And Dolls – 3<sup>rd</sup> 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



### **Arkansas Club Callers And Cuers**

### Birdsong, Carolyn

28912 Bandy Road Little Rock, AR 72223 (501) 813-7239

M: Yes

<u>Arkansas.bluebird@yahoo.com</u> *Bluebird Squares* 

### **Bownderville**, Boyce

(870) 530-2444 M/P Pistols N Petticoats

### **Duhamel**, Joey

479 Company Farm Road Baskin, LA 71219 Cell: 870- 209-3646 jdcalls@yahoo.com M/P Twirling Lariats

### Eaton, Nelda

P.O. Box 1118 New Boston, TX 75570 Home: (903) 628-2425 Cell: (903) 278-8068 M/P

EatonSDCaller@gmail.com Guys And Dolls

### King, Jay and Jody

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### Moorehouse, Phil

4660 Stagecoach Road Redfield, AR 72132 (501) 960-4476 M/P

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### Gancarczyk, Gene & Carolyn

249 Songer Lane Pearcy, AR 71964 (501) 767-6354 P

geneamdcarolyn@sbcglobal.net
Levis And Lace

### Gellenbeck, Donna

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

### Hestand, Roy

55 Fletcher Street Mountain Home, AR 72653 (870) 329-1143 <a href="mailto:hestandroy@gmail.com">hestandroy@gmail.com</a> Pioneers

### Jarman, Ken

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

### Ward, Tommy

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

### White, Gordon & Susan

6 Perfecto Place Hot Springs Village, AR 71913 (501) 822-0803 squareup8.yolasite.com White3297@hotmail.com P: Yes

### 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



### 74th National Square Dance Convention® Shreveport Convention Center - June 25-28, 2025 400 Caddo Street, Shreveport, Louisiana Come Dance on the Wild Side

RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO: Emai Register online at 74nsdc.com

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74th NSDC	Registration #
Wood Duck Lane	Date Received
arkana, TX 75501	Check# or Ref#
ondaW252@outlook.com	

Rev Form 3/21/24

Use Only

Please PRINT leighty 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 but ever existing each enter registration fee for each denoer and correctly
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	Adult \$70; Youth ages 5-17 by 6/25/2025 - \$35.00	
due.	Registration fees: A	Under 5 Free

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Subtotals

Check if you do not want your email shared

First Name & Last Name for CONVENTION BADGES

\*E-mail address will only be shared with the NEC

1. Adult 2. Adult 3. Adult/Youth 4. Adult/Youth 5. Adult/Youth

prior to

NSDC's

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Country:

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First Name: Cell Phone:

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Address:

Phone:

City:

Email\*

Prices will increase May 1, 2025 - Adult: \$85 - Youth ages 5-17: \$42.50. Persons 3-5 circle Adult or Youth. \*\*Only need birthday of Youth. Registrations are non-transferable.

No One-, Two-, or Three-Day Registrations. 9.7.89.9

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@\$15.00 @\$20.00 @\$30.00 @\$15.00 @\$50.00 @\$60.00

A \$10.00 fee per registrant will be imposed for cancellations or changes before April 30, 2025. No refunds after April 30, 2025. 10.

Registrations received after April 30, 2025, will receive e-mail confirmation. If sending by mail include credit card information, check, or money order payable in U.S. funds to 74th NSDC with this form. Do not send cash. If registering by email, omit payment information on form. You will 2 7 3

### brochure or online at www.74nsdc.com/tours TOURS can be purchased on separate

receive an invoice by email. (Note \$3.00 CC payment convenience fee.

☐Plus ☐Advanced ☐Challenge ☐ Contra ☐Rounds ☐Handicapable ☐Solo DANCERS - PLEASE HELP US PLAN! Check all that apply Lines Clogging USSD Only Mainstream

PROGRAMMED CALLERS & DANCE LEADERS

You must update your profile yearly & online by 12/31/24 at sdconvention.com.	Туре:
You must update your	Name

Credit Card Total Due \$

@\$35.00 @ \$3.00

RV Camping from back side of form (4 night minimum)

Convenience Fee for Credit Card Processing

@\$30.00

@\$15.00

Hearing Assistance Device (N/C)-Req. Refundable Deposit #\_

Wednesday Night Special Event - Dennis Swanberg

☐ Dinner & Show \$60 per person Show only \$30 per person

Sew & Save Book - ☐ USB Drive or ☐ Digital Download □ Printed copy & USB (Must be purchased by 4/30/25)

Cookbook

Program Book & Daily Schedules (\$25 after 4/30/2025)

Round Dance Syllabus - 
USB Drive or Magnet for Badge (pins provided free)

☐ Printed copy (Must be purchased by 4/30/2025)

PAYMENT (Complete if paying in person or by postal mail (US Funds)

Cash (In Person) - Receipt #

Check Enclosed

Name on Card: Card Number:

Card Type (Visa, Mastercard, AmEx, Discover):

Expiration Date:

Convention Hotels and Campgrounds must be reserved through 74th NSDC HOTEL & CAMPING INFORMATION ON REVERSE Type: rype: Name Name

Check box if you will manage your own accommodations.

Registration & Housing for 74th NSDC rates

Security Code:

### Name:

# More information available at www.74nsdc.com

	HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS	
Code	Hotel	Rate
- 1	Hilton Shreveport Hotel - Headquarters	\$169
2	Sam's Town – Weekday Rate (Sunday – Thursday)	\$115
	Caller/Cuer Hotel – Weekend Rate (Friday – Saturday)	\$145
3	Holiday Inn – Shreveport (3-minute – 0.7 mile)	\$115
4	Holiday Inn Express – Shreveport (3-minute – 0.7 mile)	\$115
5	Hampton Inn – Bossier (6-minute drive)	\$139
9	Hilton Garden Inn – Bossier (6-minute drive)	\$139
2	Homewood Suites – Bossier (6-minute drive)	\$169
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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 Sam's Town or May 1, 2025 for other hotels to guarantee 74th 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

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

Room request: U Single U Double U Queen U King U Handicapable

or stay late nights?

# Additional arrive early?

Total nights requested

## 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, include the name, email, and phone number of Block Housing Leader.

Email Phone Phone

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 weblink and phone number to the hotel reservation system will be sent to attendees weblink and phone number to the hotel reservation system will be sent to attendees.

No airport shuttle services provided. See www.74nsdc.com for transportation information.

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 acrd number to hold the room. You must be registered for the convention with a registration number to receive the convention contracted rate. No self on online registration is available for the contracted rate except through the weblink and phone number which will be provided by the convention Housing Vice-Chairman.

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RV & CAMPING ACCOMMODATIONS	COMMODATIO	NS
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.  $\square$  30 amp requested  $\square$  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 booked by May 1, 2025, to guarantee the 74th NSDC pricing. We have over 200 sites available, so no issue on availability.

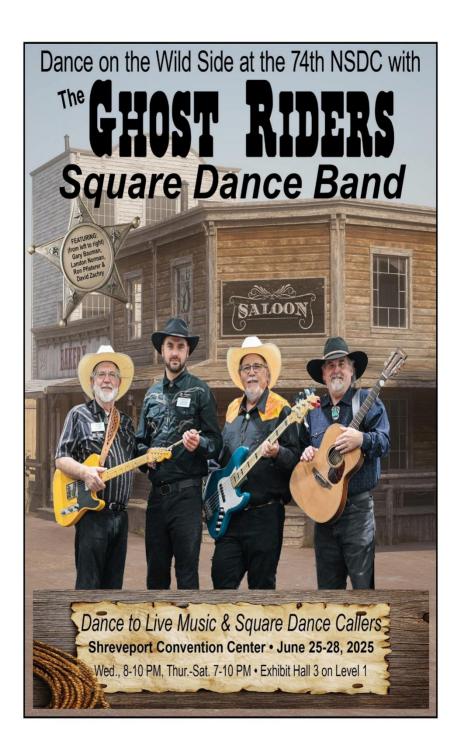
Site nights needed: (4 Night Minimum)

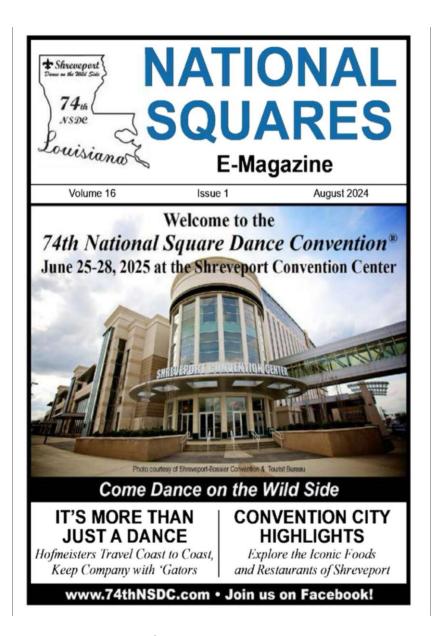
GROUP CAMPING requests must be received by January 2, 2025. Everyone that is part of fine group must fill in Group Name and Group Leader Name. To camp together, best to arrive together.

Group Name\_ Group Leader Name\_

Email

Your confirmed campground may assess a one-night penalty fee for cancellations received less than 72 hours of arrival, including early departure. On-line registration available. All site reservations will be coordinated through RV & Camping Vice-Chairman with this form. For further information see web site: www.74nsdc.com.





For updates on the 74<sup>th</sup> **NSDC** in Shreveport, Louisiana, you can view or download **National Squares Online** in **PDF** format at <a href="https://nsdcnec.com/national-squares-e-magazine/">https://nsdcnec.com/national-squares-e-magazine/</a> and then click on the desired issue(s). Issues from August 2024, through May 2025, will cover the Shreveport **NSDC**.

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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 <a href="https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square">https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square</a>

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

### Club Special Dance Photos, September, 2024

Please email these <u>assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com</u> 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 **ASSDF** page, the **Fall Festival** page, and the **Square Dance Events** group). Also, note that **not everyone** is on Facebook.

The **Special Dance Photos** for much of **August 2024**, downloadable at <a href="https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square">https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square</a>, were from the emails, Facebook pages, and special dances from the **NEOSDA Square Dance Grapevine**, the **ASSDF Facebook page**, plus the Bluebird Squares, Twirling Lariats, Swingin' Cavaliers, and Maverick Mixers.

Many thanks to Elaine Cox, Patti Cummings, Ginny Short, Ellen Glover Lewis, Carolyn Birdsong, Pat Lusk, Eva Himes Keeling, Tom and Kim Fox, plus Daryl Stout for the photos.

