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Policies:

- 1. Ads, Club Reports, etc. are due on the Editor's Desk by 9pm Central Time on the 14th of the month, before the issue month (May 14 for the June issue). As of the January, 2024 issue, the deadline is the last Saturday of the month.
- **2.** Club Reports should be **limited** to <u>250</u> 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.
- 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.

Advertisements:

The **final print edition** will be the December, 2023 issue, with ad prices at \$35 for the print edition, and \$5 for the e-Edition, per page/insertion. As of the January, 2024 issue, e-Edition ad prices will be \$10 per page/insertion. Note that Advance Payment is required to the ASSDF Treasurer, and all ad copy should be sent to the Editor, by the deadline noted above. Please be sure that all the flier/ad copy/info is correct prior to 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 2023 ASSDF Executive Board is in the January, 2023 e-Edition.

2023 Fall Festival

Roy Hestand 55 Fletcher Street Mountain Home, AR 72653 (870) 329-1141 hestandroy@gmail.com



President's Message

Tonia and I, along with your board, are asking for officer nominations to review for 2024; please contact any of us if you're interested.

I know many folks like to dance at their home club, which is extremely important. But, it's great to travel, and take advantage of the dancing opportunities with national traveling callers...noted below, and on the ASSDF website (https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events). The Trail-in Dance and ASSDF Fall Festival Oct. 12–14 in Mtn. Home will be here before you know it. It's not very often we have two of the top callers in the country during the Fall Festival; Gary Shoemake on Thursday night, & Charlie Robertson on Saturday night, alongside our own club callers Friday night, and during the day Friday and Saturday.

July 27-29, 2023 – HASSDA (Heart of America Singles Square Dance Association) Festival, Springdale, AR. Callers: Bob Asp, Charlie Robertson, Jet Roberts. Cuers: Cathy and Fred Fisher July 31, 2023 -- Star Steppers Summer Night Out Dance, White Hall, AR. Caller: Jet Roberts

Aug. 3-5, 2023 -- 48th Tennessee Square & Round Dance Convention, Gatlinburg, TN

Aug. 31 through Sept. 3, 2023 -- 27th Annual Chaparral Records "An Evening In Paris" Weekend, Paris, TX. Callers: Darryl Lipscomb, Tony Oxendine, Ken Bower, Buddy Weaver, and Gary Shoemake. Guest Callers: Scott Bennett & Tim Tyl. Cuers: Jan & David Toms **Sept. 8-9, 2023** -- 74th National Square Dance Convention® (NSDC) Fundraiser Square Dance Weekend, Bossier City, LA. Callers: Phil Moorehouse, Joey Duhamel, and Tim Tyl. Cuers: Martin Philyaw and Ken Vantiger

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 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, The Three Amigos, 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



As noted last month, the December, 2023 **print edition** will be the final one, but the **e-Edition** continues, **free of charge**. If you enjoy reading the **e-Edition**, **please consider a \$5 donation** to help the ASSDF with the website expenses. You can sign up for the **e-Edition** by sending an email to <u>assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com</u> and can download back issues along with the current **print edition**, and current **compact e-Edition** at https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square

If you haven't yet registered for the **Fall Festival** in Mountain Home, the **advance registration deadline** is Sep. 30 – see the flier & schedule at https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events and elsewhere in this issue for details; where several other **Special Dances** are noted. Please **call before you travel**, in case of last-minute cancellations; and if you feel ill, or if the weather's an issue on a dance night, please stay home.

Over **100** E-Edition pictures are from the recent **NSDC** in Alabama, plus dances from The 3 Amigos, River City Squares, Heber Springers, Maverick Mixers, Pioneers, and Bluebird Squares. Thanks to Lura Wade, Lanita Hammett, Carolyn Birdsong, Gordon and Sue White, Phil Moorehouse, Cathy Haigwood Beesley, Becky Hestand, Ginny Short, and Jody King for the photos.

Note that **NONE** of the ASSDF officers will ever send a vague email to you, asking for a reply, call, or money; it'll detail square dancing topics. In the Facebook groups, if you see posts that offer "t-shirts", etc., & the individual is **NOT** a club member; or if it's a story on "the death of a celebrity", it's likely a **scam --** do **NOT** click on, or respond to **any** of these, or **you are sure to regret it**. Lastly, thanks to Andrea Hooten for setting up the ASSDF Facebook page.

ASSDF Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/hootenandrea/

ASSDF Website: https://www.arkansassquaredance.com

Daryl Stout, Editor, Webmaster, Circulation Chairman

73RD 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 Saturday night Friday night Gary Shoemake 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 MUST be TICKETS (PER PERSON)	YOUTH 18 and	under, FREE with an adult. #	nake checks out to ASSDI 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	C	lub Name	

Tickets for the Trail End Dance purchased at the door for \$10 - day of dance / arkansassquaredance.com Mail Registrations and Payments to Sheila Gesing, 9760 Grant 7, Sheridan, AR 72150

Hotels:

Ramada by Wyndham \$75 + tax nightly 1127 Hwy 62 E, Mountain Home, AR 72653 (870) 277-1790

Camping:

Numerous locations. Please look online.

Local Contacts

Roy Hestand (501) 329-1141

Friday - October 13, 2023

1:00 pm - 4:30 pm – Registration 10:00 am - 12:30 pm – Executive Meeting 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm – Lunch Break 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm – Intro to Rounds 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm – Area Callers Dance 4:30 pm – 6:00 pm – Dinner Break

Friday Evening

Master of Ceremonies – Phil Moorehouse 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm Rounds – Marge Sherrill 7:00 pm Grand March 7:15 pm Welcome by Ted Hofmeister 7:30 pm – 10:00 pm – Area Club Callers Dance 10:00 pm – 10:30 pm – After Party 74th Fall Festival





Arkansas State Square Dance Federation

Harvest Moon Fall Festival

Hosted by Pioneers Square Dance Club October 13 - 14, 2023



Program Schedule See you in Mountain Home for all the FUN!

Saturday - October 14, 2023

8:00 am – 8:30 am – Saturday Delegate Breakfast 8:30 am – 10:30 am – Delegates Meeting 10:30 am – 4:00 pm – Registration 10:30 am – 11:30 am – Intro to Clogging Workshop 10:30 am – 12:30 am – Caller Lab 11:30 am – 12:30 pm – Lunch Break 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm – Line Dancing Workshop 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm – Intro to Plus Workshop 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 Ted Hofmeister 7:20 pm Introduction of Officers –Ted Hofmeister 7:30 pm – 10:30 pm – Charlie Robertson 9:00 pm – Basket/Silent Auction Results





Maverick Mixers 50s Dance

Saturday - September 30, 2023

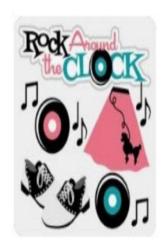
American Legion Hut - Leah Ln/Mann Rd - Mabelvale

Burgers - 6:00 PM

Dance - 7:00 to 9:00 PM

Caller - Phil Moorehouse

Admission: \$8 Guests



\$6 Members of Maverick Mixers

74TH National Square Dance Convention® Presents a Square Dance Weekend Friday & Saturday, September 8 & 9, 2023

Arkansas
PHIL MOOREHOUSE



Louisiana
JOEY DUHAMEL



Texas TIM TYL



----ROUND DANCE CUERS----



Louisiana





KEN VANTIGER Louisiana

<u>Friday 7:00 – 10:00</u> <u>Saturday 10:00 – 12:00 // 1:30 – 4:30 // 7:00 – 10:00</u>

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



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\$40.00 per person



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 information is at https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events

National Square Dan	ce Convention® (NSDC)
2024 - June 26-29, 2024	73 rd NSDC Host City:
	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
2025 - June 25-28, 2025	74th NSDC Host City:
	Shreveport, LA
2026 - June 24-27, 2026	75 th NSDC Host City:
	Waco, TX

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://nsdcnec.com

2027 - June 23-26, 2027

76th NSDC Host City:

To Be Announced

National Squares e-Magazine is published from August through May in the interest of the **NSDC**, by the host city of the upcoming **NSDC**. Go to https://nsdcnec.com/national-squares-e-magazine/ for links to thumbnails of the last 10 issues; then click on the desired one to view, or download and print the PDF file.

Topics covered include Registration/Housing/RV Camping, Callers School (before the NSDC), badges/ribbons, Solo/Single Dancers (not married or without a partner), program books/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 and Places To Visit, Various **NSDC** Committees, Info on the Upcoming **NSDC**'s, First Aid, Educational Forums, Fashion Show, Showcase Of Ideas, Sew And Save, General Info, Ceremonies, Ads, and much 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 15th of the month, I'll include dances in the **e-Edition** of the prior month from the 15th 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

JULY 17-31, 2023

July 17, 2023 – Mineola Railers Travis Cook Special. 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. See the flier on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

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

July 29, 2023 – East Texas Square and Round Dance Association (ETSRDA) Teen Scholarship and Dancer Appreciation Dance. 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 on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

AUGUST 2023

Aug. 3-5, 2023 – 48th Tennessee Square And Round Dance Convention. W.L. Mills Conference Center, Gatlinburg, TN. See the flier at http://www.tnsquaredance.org/convention or the ASSDF website for more info.

Aug. 16, 2023 – Twirling Funtimers Salad Night Dance. Lloyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview,

AR. Dance at 7pm. Caller: Donna Gellenbeck. Cuer: Marge Sherrill.

Aug. 19, 2023 – Bluebird Squares are DARK tonight. The All Singing Calls Dance has been MOVED to Sept. 16th.

Aug. 31 through Sept. 3, 2023 – Chaparral Records 27th
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 – 74th 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, & Ken Vantiger. See the flier elsewhere in this issue, or on the ASSDF website for more info.

Sept. 16, 2023 – Bluebird Squares 3rd 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. See the flier on the ASSDF website for more info. * NOTE NEW DATE *

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

Sept. 29 through Oct. 1, 2023 -- Branson Explosion Of Color, Branson, MO. Callers: Tony Oxendine, Gary Shoemake, and Mike Hogan. Cuers: Tony and Carolyn Ahart. See the flier on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

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

OCTOBER 2023

Oct. 12-14, 2023 – 73rd 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 and schedule elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website for more info. 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. 13, 2023 – Mineola Railers Veterans Day Dance.

Mineola, TX. Callers: Tim Tyl and Dale Smith. See the flier on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

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. 18, 2023 – Mineola Railers Ugly Sweater Dance. Mineola, TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flier on the ASSDF website for more info.

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

JANUARY 2024

Jan. 1, 2024 – Pioneers are DARK tonight.

MARCH 2024

Mar. 16, 2024 – 74th 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 74th NSDC. See the flier on the ASSDF website for more info.

MAY 2024

May 24-26, 2024 – Mineola Railers Mainstream

Extravaganza. Mineola, TX. Callers: Tim Tyl and Shane Greer. Cuer: Martin Philyaw. See the flier on the **ASSDF website** for more info

JUNE 2024

June 26-29, 2024 – 73rd 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 – 74th ASSDF Fall Festival, "Twirling Under The Stars", White Hall, AR (Trail-End Dance Oct. 10).

JUNE 2025

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

JUNE 2026

June 24-27, 2026 – 75th National Square Dance Convention ®, Waco, Texas. Further information and links will be posted as soon as possible.

Club Reports

Bluebird Squares

We've definitely reached the Dog Days of summer! Because of all the July rains, my yard is still looking great!

The hummer feeders are really getting worked over now. It's very important to keep them fresh and full now, with migration just around the corner. We'll have many 'yankee hummers' feeding from our feeders. You'll know they are from the north by their northern hummmmm!

As much as I hate to, I've **canceled the August 19**th **dance**, due to a Christian revival event they have at the church next to the Fairgrounds. We had a dance at the same time last year, and there was so much traffic congestion and parking problems, I felt it's better and safer for us to go **DARK**.

BUT!! We'll have our 3rd Annual All Singing Calls (Alphabetical) **Dance** on **September 16th**, 7:00 to 9:30! Phil Moorehouse and I will be behind the mics, and you never know what the two of us will come up with! Of course, there will be some lines dances in between, and a few will be brand new! I've decided not to make the line dances alpha though, as it really restricted us last year! Live and learn for sure!

We had a fun, fun dance July 15th. Some people were out, but we still had two squares; because Phil put on a **petticoat**, and some **lovely bloomers**, and instantly became **Philameana**! I'll say this much, few can twirl a petticoat like Philameana can! Philameana also called a six-couple tip, and it was great! He's definitely the six-couple tip wizard! Several pictures from that dance are elsewhere in this issue.

We're still hoping to have a sit down meal & dance before Christmas. Maybe a taco bar in October? Makes me drool just thinking about it! LOL! Ya'll come on over and laugh and dance with us!

Carolyn Birdsong

Heber Springers

Wow! Our July 14th dance featured 3 squares, surprise visitors, 6 awesome callers, and a thunderstorm! Couldn't have asked for a better night! Thanks to all that came.

A huge kudos to Tim Tyl who keeps the wind in our face! Several photos are elsewhere in this issue.

Kim Deane

Mayerick Mixers

Several dancers attended the National Square Dance Convention ® in Mobile, Alabama in late June, and The Three Amigos United We Stand Dance in early July. Several pictures from our July 8th dance, with guest caller Roy Hestand, are elsewhere in this issue.

A report on our July 29th Barn Dance will be in the September report, and a report on our Sept. 30th 50's Dance will be in the November report. See the fliers on the ASSDF website for more info on both of these dances. We'll be **DARK** on Oct. 14th for the **ASSDF Fall Festival**.

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

Daryl Stout

Pioneers

The Pioneer's hope all is well. We dance every Monday 6:30 to 9:00, but we'll be **DARK** on September 4th for Labor Day, December 25th for Christmas, and January 1st for New Years Day.

Several photos from our June 27th dance are elsewhere in this issue. Our next special dance is our **Hobo Dance** on September 25th -- come dressed as your best hobo.

Hope to see you all in October here in Mountain Home for our State Dance. Don't forget Gary Shoemake on Thursday, brought to you by the "Pioneers" Hope to see you in a square any time.

Roy Hestand

River City Squares

Our Wild And Wacky Bunch celebrated the July 4th holiday in a big way!! So much fun!! We even learned a few things about the 4th of July. Four groups were competing with each other in a Trivia Contest.

And the Food! Wow, we had a delicious fruit punch, sliced fresh tomatoes (from the garden), watermelon, and a host of other yummy goodies!! Thanks to all of you $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{G}}$.

We had the Stars and Stripes, prominently, in our attire, as well as in our music. God Bless America!! Several pictures are elsewhere in this issue.

Jody King

Twirling Funtimers

Well, summer has arrived!! Hope all of you are staying cool in this heat. Stay hydrated and safe.

Our July 19th Taco Night Dance promises to be interesting. There will be some combinations that were made that I'm not sure I would try! We'll even have a Mystery dish. Mine was a taco bowl, so I knew mine was going to taste great. The colors were bright and we hope all will enjoy it.

Our students are coming along nicely. They are about halfway through lessons. It seems that it's taking longer for them, as we only have lessons for one hour a week (before the regular dance), and our angels get pretty tired by the end of the night. But, our students will be good dancers when they are finished with lessons.

On August 16th, we'll celebrate the produce that our gardens are providing to us with a Salad Night. Fresh vegetables and enticing flavors for the dressing is sure to make some interesting salad combinations. Come see what everyone has harvested from their gardens and enjoy a seasonal feast.

We dance every Wednesday at the Lloyd Travis Municipal building at 14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview AR. Donna Gellenbeck and Ken Jarman are our callers and Marge Sherrill is our Cuer. Current square dance lessons are one hour, from 6:00 to 7:00pm, with mainstream and plus square and round dancing from 7:00 to 9:00pm.

Follow us on at https://www.facebook.com/twirlingfuntimers on Facebook.

Donna Gellenbeck

Twirling Lariats

We're dancing on August 4th and 18th, with Joey Duhamel as our caller. We dance at American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane, Mabelvale, Arkansas. So, off your seat on your feet. Put on your dancing shoes, dance, laugh, and fellowship.

The Three Amigos Dance "United we Stand" with Joey Duhamel, Phil Moorehouse, and Gene Gancarczyk (GG) was once again an enjoyable Dance, especially since there are 3 callers in one evening. It was held at the American Legion Hut.

Happy Anniversary to lovebirds Chris and Andrea Hooten, plus to Tom and Kim Fox. Hope you find time to look back on all your sweet memories together.

The 72nd Nationals were in Mobile Alabama, and Arkansas had 57 dancers there. The 2024 NSDC will be in Wisconsin, with the 2025 NSDC in Louisiana, and the 2026 NSDC in Texas. Mark your calendars!!

There isn't much obviously funny about the month of August, as it's the last breath of summer, the hottest time of the year, & precursor to Back-To-School.

Editors Note: The following made me think of the Hope Watermelon

Festival in August. DS

Recipe: Pickled Watermelon

Ingredients: 9 cups water, 1/2 cup salt, 11 cups watermelon pieces (cut from rind, seeded, and cut into 1-inch cubes), 2 1/2 cups white vinegar, 5 cups sugar, 1 cinnamon stick, 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger, 2 tablespoons lemon juice.

Instructions: In a large bowl, stir the water and salt together. Add the watermelon, and let stand overnight. Drain the watermelon, rinse, and drain again. In a large saucepan, combine the vinegar, sugar, cinnamon stick, ginger, and lemon juice. Bring to a boil, and add the watermelon. Return to a boil, and simmer for 20 minutes. Remove the cinnamon stick. Loosely pack the watermelon into jars. Return the syrup to a boil, and boil for 30 minutes. Pour over fruit in jars and seal. Process in a boiling-water bath.

Ginny Short

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 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, 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 – 3rd 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 – Thursdsay, 7pm DARK until September

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 – 2nd and 4th Friday, 7pm **DANCING**Lake Hamilton Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 2891 Airport Road

Caller: Gene Gancarczyk

Contact: Ted and Phyllis Keeney, 1807 Nubbin Ridge Road,

Royal, AR 71968 (501) 991-3292

Judsonia

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

Judsonia Community Center, 601 Judson Street

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

Contact: Robert and Cheryl Shaver, 146 Opie Road, Bald Knob,

AR 72010 (501) 724-3930

Lakeview

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

Loyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane

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

Contact: Rob and Donna Gellenbeck, 139 Dogwood Lane,

Lakeview, AR 72642 (870) 620-0037

Little Rock (Mabelvale)

Twirling Lariats – 1st, 3rd, and selected 5th Friday, 7:30pm **DANCING**

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

Caller: Joey Duhamel

Contact: Clifton Taylor and Carolyn Cullins, 9027 Highway 5

North, Alexander, AR 72002 (501) 847-2157

Maverick Mixers -2^{nd} , 4^{th} , and selected 5^{th} 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

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

72653 (870) 329-1141

Rose Bud

Heber Springers – 2nd and 4th Friday, 7pm **DANCING**

Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

Contact: Kim Deane, 4326 Highway 92 West, Bee Branch, AR

72013 (501) 757-2030

White Hall (Pine Bluff)

Star Steppers – 2nd and 4th Monday, 7pm **DANCING**

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

Andersen Avenue

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

Contact: Sheila Gesing, 9760 Grant 7, Sheridan, AR 72150

(870) 942-2273

Texarkana (New Boston, TX)

Guys N Dolls – 3rd Saturday, 7pm **DANCING**

Old Fellows Lodge, New Boston, TX

Caller: Nelda Eaton

Contact: Rhonda Bailey, 111 Wood Duck Lane, Texarkana, TX

75501 (903) 276-3422

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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

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Moorehouse, Phil

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

philmoorehouse@aol.com

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Jarman, Ken

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

Ward, Tommy

11 Dickens St. Apt. D Greenbrier, AR 72058 (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

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Full E-Edition Extras for August, 2023

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, 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...including the ASSDF Facebook page, and the Square Dance Events Facebook group.

Over **100** E-Edition pictures are from the recent **NSDC** in Alabama, plus dances from The Three Amigos, River City Squares, Heber Springers, Maverick Mixers, Pioneers, and Bluebird Squares. Many thanks to Lura Wade, Lanita Hammett, Carolyn Birdsong, Gordon and Sue White, Phil Moorehouse, Cathy Haigwood Beesley, Jody King, Becky Hestand, Ginny Short and Jody King for the photos.

First, several photos from the recent National Square Dance Convention ® (NSDC) that was in Alabama in June, 2023.



In the above photo...standing, are Wayne and Lura Wade, chairpersons for the 2014 NSDC that was in Little Rock, Arkansas...and current members of the National Executive Committee (NEC)...the group that awards the bids for upcoming NSDC's.

Then seated, from left to right, are Tonia and Ted Hofmeister, 2023 ASSDF President, and General Chairpersons of the 2025 NSDC that will be held in Shreveport, Louisiana...and Alitia Becker, Assistant General Chairperson for the 2025 NSDC.

I understand that the food at the restaurant was very good.

There were 57 Arkansas dancers at the 2023 NSDC. On the next page, James Robertson, with his wife, Tammy; along with Ramona Huff.



On the next page, left to right, Helen Jensen, and Teresa Tubbs, joined by Mike and Lanita Hammett.



On the next page, Regina Turner, working with material, at the Sew And Save Forum at the recent NSDC.



On the next page, 2023 ASSDF President, plus 2025 NSDC Chairperson, Ted Hofmeister.



On the next page, Cathy and Royce Beesley, with Wayne Wade.



Next, some photos of Arkansas dancers at the recent NSDC.







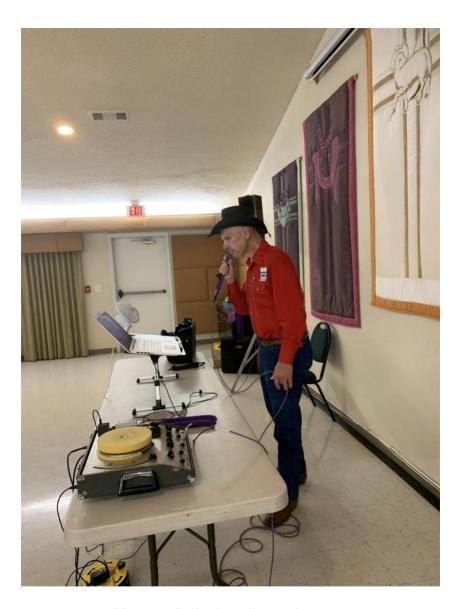






I thought that the above was a great idea, to show how many previous National Square Dance Convention ® events that one had attended.

Next, several photos from the Pioneers June 27^{th} dance.



Pioneers Caller Roy Hestand





















Above, a group photo from the June 27, 2023 Pioneers Club dance.



On the next page, that dance also featured a couple visiting from Nevada, on their way back home from the Mobile, Alabama National Square Dance Convention ®...pictured with Club Caller Roy Hestand, and his wife, Becky.



Next, several photos from The Three Amigos July 1st Dance, with Phil Moorehouse, Joey Duhamel, and Gene Gancarczyk calling for a fun evening of dancing, with 4 squares on the floor much of the dance.









Next, several pictures from the River City Squares July $4^{\rm th}$ dance.



























Next, several pictures from the Maverick Mixers July 8th dance.



"The Cupid Shuffle" line dance; a video of it is on the Maverick Mixers Facebook page.





Levi's And Lace Caller Gene Gancarczyk, with Jerry Short.



















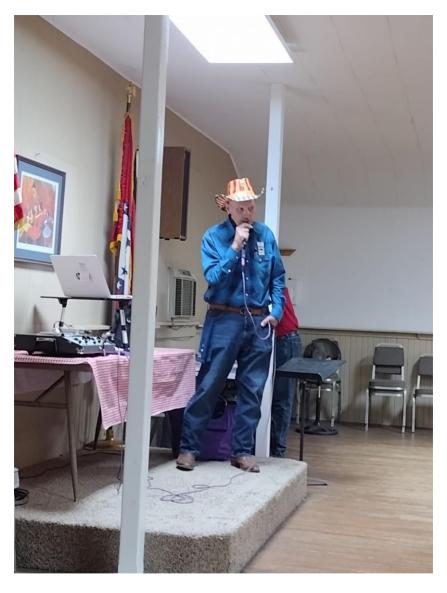














Next, several photos from the Heber Springers July 14th dance, with guest caller Tim Tyl.























Next, several photos from the Bluebird Squares July 15th dance.

In the latter photos, you'll see that Caller Phil Moorehouse doesn't "skirt the issue", on his passion for the hobby!! Take note of the "lovely bloomers" he had on as well...never mind "a flash in the pan!!" LOL!!





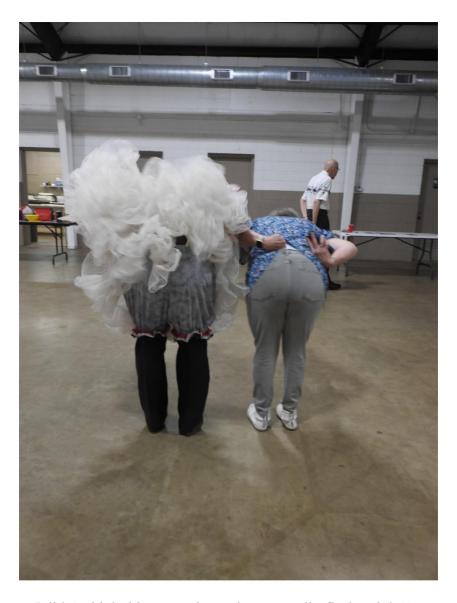




Phil Moorehouse and Tonia Hofmeister.



Regina Turner, Phil Moorehouse, and Tonia Hofmeister.



I didn't think this was going to be a moonlit, flashy night!!

But, where else can you have a bit of fun after a hard, stressful week, with good exercise, and great friends?? And, if dancing the girl's part keeps 7 dancers from sitting out a tip, it's all the better. Besides, I used to dance the girl's part myself years ago.

To finish off this month, a photo of former long-time dancer, Dorothy Pumphrey, now **104 years young**, with her daughter. Ginney Pumphrey. Dorothy had danced with the former **60's Swingers** Club...and your Editor had the pleasure of dancing with her many times.



It's **Back To School** Time – and that also means **Fall Dance Lessons** for clubs. Please email info on upcoming classes to the Editor at assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com as soon as possible before classes start...and I'll place them in The Modern Square (if it makes the deadline), and on the ASSDF website at https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/new-dancers