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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.

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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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President's Message

Dear Square Dancing Friends,

Hard to believe it's August already! We've missed you all, as we've been gone almost the entire month, although we did just return from the HASSDA Festival in Springdale, where quite a few attended. It was a good time, and lots of good dancing at three levels. We hope you were able to take advantage of the various July dances held in Arkansas. We did see some pictures, and there are a few in this release to check out. Maybe you'll see someone you haven't seen in a while.

August brings us one month closer to our **Fall Festival**, Twirling Under the Stars, October 11-12, with the Trail End Dance on October 10 in White Hall. We'll be dancing to great local callers, and national callers Tim Tyl and Ken Burke. It's always great to dance to new voices. Enjoy a weekend of dancing, workshops, dancing, concessions, clogging, dancing, silent auctions, cake walks and other games, and dancing. You don't want to miss a minute of the fun and fellowship! Oh, and did we mention...Lots of Dancing?!?!?

This year, there will be a new way to win a prize. Any purchases for food, hotel, local shopping, etc... gives you a paper receipt which you will put your name on and drop in a collection bucket. We'll draw for prizes at the end of the weekend from those receipts. It should add to some of the fun. It's only 10 weeks away, so please sign up now, and get your reservations for hotels or camping made. We hope to see all of you, and some from other states joining us this year.

For August, we look forward to attending the Tennessee State Festival

in Gatlinburg, and inviting folks from there to attend our state dance. Then, there is the **Bluebird Squares 4th Annual All Singing Call Dance** on August 17 at the Saline County Fairgrounds. Carolyn and Phil will have us singing and swinging, and probably eating some good snacks as well.

The **Twirling Funtimers Looking to the Stars Dance** is on August 21, and they'll do square and round dancing. We danced with a few Twirling Funtimers in Springdale, and it was good to see you there. Kim even did an intro to rounds class and is eager to learn more.

The **Maverick Mixers Backpack School Supplies Dance** will be August 24, and we'll help out some kids with supplies for school. That will bring us back into a busy time of life with 2 working, but we hope to see you all at your individual clubs.

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

Yellow Rocks,

Tom and Kim Fox, ASSDF President, 2024

(aka the weary travelers)



At the Maverick Mixers Celebrate Summer Dance, the tablecloths featured watermelon and pineapple. The watermelon was at the dance, and the pineapple was grown by Elaine Cox of the NEOSDA.

For more information on these delicious treats, please see this month's Special Dances e-Edition.

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 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

To download the **FREE** e-Edition, you can go to the **ASSDF website** at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square>

The **full** e-Edition has full color on pictures/ads. 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



First, I want to thank everyone for all the condolences on the tragic, unexpected, suicidal death of my younger brother in early July. I'm so thankful for all my friends in square dancing, one of the hobbies that I could take part in as a diversion from all the stress involved in the days afterwards. I'm the last surviving member of my immediate family, but I hope and pray I'm around for a good while yet. I'm so thankful that my late parents got me into square dancing nearly forty years ago, but I regret that I waited 2 ½ years after they started, before I entered this wonderful hobby.

Second, three squares of dancers had a fun night with The Three Amigos Liberty Freedom Dance on July 6th, 2024...dancing to the calling of Phil Moorehouse, Joey Duhamel, and Gene Gancarczyk. While yours truly took some photos, working the table all night, and ended up winning split the pot, it was a treat with watching the square and line dancing, plus seeing everyone...and especially with the use of the "Hooked On Classics" as a square dance patter record. While the night featured mostly Mainstream, there were Plus tips for "the diehards". The Three Amigos will do the Trail-End Dance at the **2024 ASSDF Fall Festival** in White Hall, Oct. 10-12, 2024. If you have not yet registered, or gotten your lodging, time is running out. Not only is the Advanced Registration Deadline on Sept. 30, there's a football game in the region that weekend, and hotel rooms may sell out fast!!

Other Special Dances are in the **Special Events Calendar** elsewhere in this issue, as well as at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events> -- the **ASSDF website**, under **Upcoming Events**. Please call before you travel, in case of last-minute dance cancellations, and if you feel ill on a dance night, or if bad weather is an issue, please stay home.

August is the month for "**Back To School**"; so if your club is planning lessons, please send the info to the Editor, so I can put it in The Modern Square, and on the **ASSDF website** under **New Dancers**.

The emphasis for the upcoming 74th National Square Dance Convention ® (NSDC), June 25-28, 2025, in Shreveport, Louisiana, is now in high gear. Our own Ted and Tonia Hofmeister are the General Chairpersons, with Phil and Melody Moorehouse as Publicity Chairpersons. Attending the NSDC is the pinnacle of any dancer's hobby, and everyone should attend at least one of these in their lifetime. A registration form for the 74th NSDC is elsewhere in this issue.

Quite a few Arkansas dancers were at the Heart Of America Single Square Dancers Association (HASSDA) Festival up in Springdale, Arkansas July 25-27, 2024...in all, there were 245 dancers, representing 15 states. Some photos from that weekend are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

The **Special Dance Photos** for much of **July 2024**, downloadable at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square>, were from the emails, Facebook pages, and special dances from the **NEOSDA Square Dance Grapevine, ETSRDA, Whirl Twirl, Twirling Lariats, Twirling Funtimers, Heber Springers, Bluebird Squares**, and the **Maverick Mixers**. Many thanks to Daryl Stout, Carolyn Birdsong, Mike and Ellen Glover Lewis, Elaine Cox, Kim Deane, Ted Hofmeister, Ginny Short, Anika Becker, and Anieta England, for the photos...plus thanks go to Kim Deane, Anieta England, Mary Shelby, Nona Sue Richardson Walker, and Roger Garner, among others, for info for their club reports on their Facebook pages.

I have a file on the **Resources** page on the **ASSDF website**, noted as "**In Memoriam**", to remember the callers, cuers, their taws (spouses), dancers, and clubs, that are "Gone, But Not Forgotten". It's a reminder of all those individuals and clubs that have gone on to "The Eternal Square", and who helped make the hobby what it is today...all of them are sorely missed.

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

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

Daryl Stout, Editor, Webmaster, Circulation Chairman

Where are your special events?

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

National Square Dance Convention® (NSDC)

2025 - June 25-28, 2025

**74th NSDC Host City:
Shreveport, Louisiana**

2026 - June 24-27, 2026

**75th NSDC Host City:
Waco, Texas**

2027 - June 23-26, 2027

**76th NSDC Host City:
Loveland, Colorado**

2028 - June 21-24, 2028

**77th NSDC Host City:
To Be Announced**

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

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

Due to vision issues, I no longer drive, and can't be at dances, etc. unless someone offers transportation. Please advise me if your info (club contact, dance day/time) in The Modern Square or on the ASSDF website, is wrong; as I can't fix it if I'm not told.

Most of the special dance photos are from club Facebook groups, although not everyone is on Facebook. If nothing's sent in or posted, nothing's published in The Modern Square, or on the ASSDF website. There's no word limit on club reports, but minor editing is done for typos, grammar, and continuity. The issue publication deadline is 3pm, US Central Time, on the Sunday, after the last Saturday of the month, before the month of issue.

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

Please CALL BEFORE TRAVELING, in case of last minute changes or cancellations. If you've been ill, feel ill on a dance night, or if weather is an issue, please stay home.

NONE of the ASSDF Officers will EVER send emails, Facebook messages, etc., asking for money, gift cards, etc.; those are SCAMS! Clubs with Facebook pages MUST police them, as scammers are posting things like "club T-Shirts", "death of a celebrity", "deleting all inactive members", "wanting part time work," (NOTHING to do with square dancing). These posts/emails have viruses to steal your identity, delete, destroy, or encrypt your data, where you'd have to pay a HUGE cost to get it back.

If you see these emails, DELETE them. And, if you see these ads, DON'T click on ANY part of them. Instead, report them to the group administrators, so the post can be deleted, and the poster can be banned from the group. Then, BLOCK that person in your email spam filter, and your Facebook profile. This helps keep that spam off your page. If not, someone will get their identity/data stolen, your Facebook page could get hacked, or you could be "left on the hook, financially".

Daryl Stout, Editor, Webmaster, Circulation Chairman, ASSDF

Arkansas State Square Dance Federation Fall Festival

TWIRLING UNDER THE STARS

Hosted by Levis and Lace, Maverick 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

(870) 883-1363



Ken Burke



Tim Tyl



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 _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Club Name _____

Tickets (per person) *18 & Under free with adult*

Full Weekend (early registration) \$30 x _____ = _____

Friday only \$20 x _____ = _____

Full Weekend (after 10/01) \$35 x _____ = _____

Saturday only \$20 x _____ = _____

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)
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 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# 5136B446191144

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

*Bluebird Squares Presents:
The 4th All Singing Calls Dance*

*Callers:
Phil Moorehouse & Carolyn Birdsong*



August 17, 2024

7:00 to 9:30

\$8.00 each

*Saline County Fairground
406 Fairfield Road, Benton 72015*

Questions: Carolyn Birdsong (501) 813-7239

Twirling Funtimers

Looking to the Stars



Wednesday August 21, 2024
6:00- 8:30pm, \$7



Caller: Donna Gellenbeck
Cuer: Marge Sherrill

Lloyd Travis Community Center
14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview, AR

www.facebook.com/twirlingfuntimers

Call 870-404-4158 for info

Maverick Mixers Backpack Dance!



Help us collect school supplies
for needy children as they
return to school. School TBA

Saturday, August 24, 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

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 - TBA

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

*The 74th National Square Dance Convention®
proudly presents a special*

SQUARE DANCE WEEKEND

Friday-Saturday, September 13-14, 2024

Texas
TIM TYL



Louisiana
JOEY DUHAMEL



Arkansas
PHIL MOOREHOUSE



Louisiana
KEN VANTIGER
Round Dance Cuer



Louisiana
MARTIN PHILYAW
Round Dance Cuer



FRIDAY

2 pm - 4:30 pm

7 pm - 10 pm

SATURDAY

10 am - 12 pm

1:30 pm - 4:30 pm

7 pm - 10 pm

Dancing only \$40 per person for both days!



A special Saturday BBQ Supper will be available at Promenade Hall for \$15 per person

PROMENADE HALL

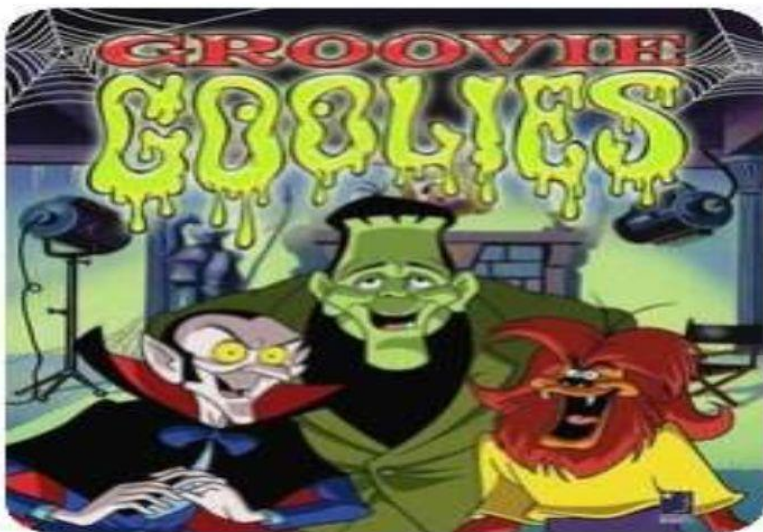
5400 Benton Road in Bossier City, LA

This is a special fund-raising event for the 74th NSDC

For the latest information on the 74th NSDC join our Facebook group!
Register to attend the 2025 convention at www.74thNSDC.com

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

Maverick Mixers

HONOR OUR VETERANS!

Honoring
ALL WHO
served

**THANK YOU
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 assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com

Flyers not yet on the **ASSDF website** will be placed there as soon as possible; and will be noted here, once they're online. Website URLs, if known, are noted with the dance listing. You can also find this info on the **ASSDF website** at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events>

ASSDF Club Special Dances

AUGUST 2024

Aug. 17, 2024 – Bluebird Squares 4th Annual All Singing Calls Dance. Saline County Fairgrounds, 406 Fairfield Road, Benton, AR. Dance at 7pm. Callers: Carolyn Birdsong and Phil Moorehouse. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Aug. 21, 2024 – Twirling Funtimers Looking To The Stars Special Dance. Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview, AR. Dance at 6pm. Caller: Donna Gellenbeck. Cuer: Marge Sherrill. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Aug. 24, 2024 – Maverick Mixers Backpack School Supplies 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. Benefit School TBD. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Aug. 31, 2024 – Maverick Mixers are DARK tonight.

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. Caller: TBD. 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.

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

OCTOBER 2024

Oct. 10-12, 2024 – 74th 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 Life Is Good Taco Bar Dance. Saline County Fairgrounds, 406 Fairfield Road, Benton, AR. Taco Bar beforehand, Dance at 7pm. Caller: Carolyn Birdsong. A flyer will be on the **ASSDF website** and in the full e-Edition as soon as possible.

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.

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 5th 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

AUGUST 2024

Aug. 1-3, 2024 – Tennessee State Square and Round Dance Convention, Gatlinburg, TN. Tennessee State Callers And Cuers. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info, or go to <https://www.tnsquaredance.org/convention>

Aug. 10, 2024 – Southern Swingers August Summer Dance, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Mike Bramlett. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Aug. 22, 2024 – Lagniappe Dance, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Aug. 24, 2024 – Texas Po' Boys Reunion Dance, Klein United Methodist Church, Spring, TX. Callers: Gary Sanders, Pat Kotal, Stu Ringer, and K.O. Jeanes. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Aug. 29-Sept. 1, 2024 – 28th Annual “An Evening In Paris” Square And Round Dance Weekend, Paris, TX. Callers: Darryl Lipscomb, Tony Oxendine, Buddy Weaver, and Gary Shoemake. Guest Callers: Tim Tyl and Tim Polch. Cuers: Fred and Linda Ayres. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info. **Note: They need at least 50 couples pre-registered by July 31, 2024 (after the release date of this issue), or the dance weekend may be subject to cancellation.**

Aug. 31, 2024 – Old Fashioned Barn Dance, Wichita Falls, TX. Caller: Jeff Holley. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

SEPTEMBER 2024

**Sept. 13-14, 2024 – 74th 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 <https://www.squaredancemissouri.com/Missouri/Flyers/Missouri-Festival-2024/>

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 <http://oksdf.org>

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 – 13th 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 <https://www.generalbutlerbash.com>

JUNE 2025

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

JUNE 2026

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

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

I always feel that August is the last month of summer, but we still get **HOT** in September! I know I've even gone swimming in October!

We had a small group at the plant swap, only six people, but we still had fun! I got to practice two couple calls, and we did lots of line dances! Thanks to everyone that came! I really do appreciate ya'll! Everyone left with some good plants too!

Ya'll are invited to come to our annual All Singing Calls Dance on August 17th! I'll have my partner in crime calling with me; Phil Moorehouse! We all know he's awesome! It'll be 7:00 to 9:30 or until ya'll want to stop! I took off the 'alphabetical', because I felt it limited Phil and me on which songs to call, so now we can call our favorites! I will be teaching That Thing We Do line dance to the song Tornado by Little Big Town again. It's a fun dance with a great song! It's not

easy, but it'll be well worth it! Just like Neon Moon was! Please see the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Bluebird Squares will dance September 21st, and we'll have our annual Taco Bar dance at the October 19th dance. Mmmmm! You just can't go wrong with tacos! I'll have a flyer in the October, 2024 issue.

The bluebirds **DID** have a fourth nest, and will be hatching August 1st. That is a first for me! That means they will fledge around August 17th. I have not propagated my Thanksgiving Cactuses yet, but will do that, because I want to see how it works out; especially the one with beige flowers. I had never seen that color before until I saw it at Walmart! Of course, I'll have a few propagated ones at one of my dances! I like to share with my dancers!

With August and September still hot, it would be a great idea to offer a water supply for the birds. I have two red hummingbird fountains (one in the front yard, and one in back yard). They are wonderful! The water doesn't need to be deep for birds to bathe! (you can get the red fountains at kmart.com).

I'm still having lots of birds and hummingbirds at my feeders! It's really a job keeping all 16 feeders filled, but I love it and don't mind it! It's definitely easier since I've retired! I love having the baby bluebirds coming to eat dried mealworms on my Birdfy!

But, I'm having trouble keeping the bully birds (blackbirds and crows) off! I don't mind them eating, but there are so many more of them, and they keep the ones I want off the feeders!

The hummers will start to migrate around September 17th. But I'll also get the Yankee hummers! I can tell they are Yankees because they hum with a northern accent!

I even had the cutest little possum get up on my utility room window feeders. I was able to get a video!

(Editors Note: I wonder if he was "playing possum", but actually looking for some "pheasant under glass" – a photo of the critter is on the next page. DS).



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

Carolyn Birdsong

Guys And Dolls

Thanks to all who came to Guys N Dolls dance on July 20, 2024. We had a last-minute place change. Thanks bunches to Gary and Linda Carlile for setting up the shop, so we could have a dance. Also, thanks to everyone else who helped in any way to get the word out.

The meal and dance were both great. Again, thanks to everyone's help, especially to all the dancers and visitors. Everyone loved Nona Sue Richardson Walker's combination of red beans, potato wedges, and Sloveck pepper jack cheese. All the hot dogs and home desserts were delicious.

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

Rhonda Bailey

Maverick Mixers

First, I want to thank everyone for all the condolences on the tragic, unexpected, suicidal death of my younger brother in early July. I'm so thankful for all my friends in square dancing, one of the hobbies that I could take part in as a diversion from all the stress involved in the days afterwards. I'm the last surviving member of my immediate family, but I hope and pray I'm around for a good while yet. I'm so thankful that my late parents got me into square dancing years ago. Also, our condolences to our own Lanita Pettey Hammett, in the recent death of her brother, Anthony.

Three of our dancers have been traveling to various places outside the United States in recent weeks, including Karen Graves, as well as Blake and Amanda Throgmartin. Along the line of travel dancing, several dancers traveled to The Three Amigos Liberty Freedom Dance on July 6th, where 3 squares enjoyed the dancing, fellowship, food, and calling to our own Phil Moorehouse, plus Joey Duhamel, and Gene Gancarczyk. We took the night of July 13th off, as many dancers went to the Royal Rendezvous dance weekend in Ardmore, Oklahoma, with National Callers Jet Roberts, Charlie Robertson, and Tony Oxendine.

Then, we celebrated summer with 2 squares at our July 27th dance, with watermelon and hot dogs during the dance, to the calling of our own Phil Moorehouse. We had visitors at the dance from the Levi's and Lace, the Blue Belles and Beaus, and the Twirling Lariats. It was good to see Jerry and Ginny Short at the dance, and while Jerry danced some, Ginny was on oxygen, and took some photos to go with the ones taken by yours truly...and these can be found in the Special Dances e-Edition. At least the weather was a bit cooler than it has been.

This month, on August 24th, it's our **Backpack School Supplies Dance**, where we'll take donations for school supplies for an area school. It's the hottest part of the summer, but hopefully, cooler weather will return soon.

Other Special Dances that we have planned this year are our **50's Dance** on Sept. 14 (where we'll have ice cream floats on the duty square), 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 <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events> 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 2nd, 4th, and selected 5th 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'll be **DARK** on August 31st, and October 12th...the latter 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. 12th, 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

River City Squares

We plan to start lessons again in early October...updates will be posted on our Facebook page.

Jody King

Swingin' Cavaliers

Our dear friend & square dancer, Patricia, had a really bad motorcycle

accident on July 20th, and she was air lifted to UAMS. She has broken ribs, she has had a hip replacement, she has lots of damage to her left foot, leg , and to her head. Please be in prayer for her. I am so thankful she is still with us, praise God.

We are to resume dancing sometime this month; please call before you travel.

Eva Himes Keeling

Twirling Funtimers

Christmas in July! Trail Blazers joined us for another night of dance laughter and good food. The stuffed animals overflowed the table, thanks to so many taking part in this event. The little stuffed critters will find forever homes with the area's children who are hospitalized, or recovering from an illness.

By the end of the evening, we had danced to three different callers. Kenton Sullivan brought some of his just graduated Plus dancers, and our club callers Donna Gellenbeck and Ken Jarman gave us dancers a treat, three callers at three different levels of square dance calling. Trail Blazers took their banner back. They are always a welcome group to dance with. Pictures from the dance are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

On August 21st, we'll recognize the solar system, as the Perseids meteor showers blaze across the skies, and our special dance will be "Looking To The Stars". See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Then, our September Special Dance features Jay Wright from Joplin, Missouri, calling for our "Fabulous Fifties" dinner/dance on the 18th. 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 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 <https://www.facebook.com/twirlingfuntimers>

Anieta England

Twirling Lariats

The Twirling Lariats were well represented at the recent Heart Of America Single Square Dancers Association (HASSDA) Festival Weekend in Springdale, Arkansas...photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition.

In other news...it's a girl!!!

The Garner's and Hofmeister's have a new granddaughter. Born 7/18/24, weighing in at 7 pounds, 13 ounces, and 21 inches long. Her name is Lottie June Garner -- her photo is in the Special Dances e-Edition.

We are so sorry that we missed our Twirling Lariats dance on Friday night as we understand we had several guests that night. I don't recall all of the guest's names, but we heard that Jeff and Sara Fruechting, as well as Henry and Jeanette Heritz were there.

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 assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com – the info will be at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/new-dancers> on the **ASSDF website**, and in **The Modern Square**. Info needed is the date, time, location, caller/cuer/instructor, plus a contact person for info. 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 <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/resources> 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.

Conway, AR: Arky Cloggers. Starting Aug. 6, 2024. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue for more info. Instructor: Lanita Hammett.

Fort Smith, AR: River City Squares. Starting October, 2024. Further details will be posted on their Facebook page as the class start date gets closer. Caller/Instructor: Jay King.



ARKY CLOGGERS!

It is great fun and exercise for all ages! It's a great activity for the whole family! Have two left feet? We can even work with that! You don't need a partner either. No dance experience is necessary.

“Beginner from scratch” clogging classes will start on Tuesday evening, August 6th from 6:30 to 8:00 PM at the DAV building at 1490 South Donaghey Avenue in Conway.

Drop in and meet some of our cloggers, and find out more about us. See how much fun two feet can have! Bring a friend!

Lanita Hammett is a certified clogging instructor (CCI). For more information about class schedules contact Lanita at (501) 889-4679 or Lnthmmtt13@gmail.com

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** (<https://www.arkansassquaredance.com>), 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 – 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 – 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 – 2nd and 4th Friday, 7pm **DANCING**

Lake Hamilton Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 2891 Airport
Road

Caller: Gene Gancarczyk

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

Judsonia

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

DANCING

Judsonia Community Center, 601 Judson Street

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

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

Lakeview

Twirling Funtimers – Wednesday, 6pm to 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 3rd Wednesday)

Callers: Donna Gellenbeck and Ken Jarman

Cuer: Marge Sherrill

Contact: Anieta England (870) 449-5135

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 – 2nd, 4th, and selected 5th Saturday, 7pm

DANCING

Mainstream with announced Plus

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

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

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

Mountain Home

Pioneers – 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

New Boston, TX

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

Plentiful Harvest Church, 500 North Merrill, New Boston, TX

Caller: Nelda Eaton

Contact: Rhonda Bailey, 111 Wood Duck Lane, Texarkana, TX
75501 (903) 276-3422



Arkansas Club Callers And Cuers

Birdsong, Carolyn

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Bluebird Squares

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Star Steppers
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Twirling Funtimers

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Twirling Funtimers

Highest Calling Or Cueing Level:

M – Mainstream P – Plus A – Advanced (A1/A2)

1-6 – Round Dance Phase Cueing

If Yes is noted, they are available for Special Dances

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P: Yes

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 74th NSDC
 111 Wood Duck Lane
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 Registration # _____
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 City: _____ Cell Phone: _____
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First Name & Last Name for CONVENTION BADGES		No. of NSDC's prior to 74th	1. Adult	2. Adult	3. Adult/Youth	4. Adult/Youth	5. Adult/Youth	Subtotals
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- Magnet for Badge (pins provided free) @ \$2.00
- Program Book & Daily Schedules (\$25 after 4/30/2025) @ \$20.00
- Round Dance Syllabus - USB Drive or @ \$15.00
- Printed copy (Must be purchased by 4/30/2025) @ \$20.00
- Printed copy & USB (Must be purchased by 4/30/25) @ \$30.00
- Sew & Save Book - USB Drive or Digital Download @ \$15.00
- Cookbook @ \$15.00
- Hearing Assistance Device (NIC)-Req. Refundable Deposit @ \$50.00
- Wednesday Night Special Event - Dennis Swanberg #
- Dinner & Show \$60 per person #
- Show only \$30 per person #
- RV Camping from back side of form (4 night minimum) @ \$35.00
- Convenience Fee for Credit Card Processing @ \$3.00

Total Due \$

Check Enclosed Cash (in Person) - Receipt # _____
 Credit Card
 Name on Card: _____
 Card Type (Visa, Mastercard, AmEx, Discover): _____
 Card Number: _____ Security Code: _____
 Expiration Date: _____

Dressy casual attire allowed until 6pm. Proper dance attire is requested after 6pm for all dancers.
 74th NSDC Convention badge required for entrance to all convention activities.
 Shoes must be worn at all times.

INFORMATION FOR COMPLETING FORM

- You can complete this form and pay online at www.74nsdc.com.
- Please PRINT legibly to ensure accuracy of information.
- If you have already PRE-REGISTERED using our short form, please enter names in the appropriate space for each badge and enter \$0 (zero) in subtotal by each name already registered to avoid duplicate charge. If not pre-registered, enter registration fee for each dancer and correctly calculate amounts in the subtotal lines, then calculate and enter the total due.
- Registration fees:** Adult \$70; Youth ages 5-17 by 6/25/2025 - \$35.00 Under 5 Free.
- Prices will increase Max 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.** A \$10.00 fee per registrant will be imposed for cancellations or changes before April 30, 2025. **No refunds after April 30, 2025.**
- 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 receive an invoice by email. (Note \$3.00 CC payment convenience fee.)

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

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

PROGRAMMED CALLERS & DANCE LEADERS
 You must update your profile yearly & online by 12/31/24 at sdconvention.com.
 Name _____ Type: _____
 Name _____ Type: _____
 Name _____ Type: _____

HOTEL & CAMPING INFORMATION ON REVERSE
 Convention Hotels and Campsites are listed on the reverse through 74th NSDC Registration and Housing for 74th NSDC rates.
 Check box if you will manage your own accommodations.

More information available at www.74nsdc.com

Name: _____

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
6	Hilton Garden Inn - Bossier (6-minute drive)	\$139
7	Homewood Suites - Bossier (6-minute drive)	\$169

Indicate choice of hotel preference by specifying number: #1, #2, #3
 Hotel assignments will be made in order of registration form received & according to availability. This form must be received, and rooms booked by March 1, 2025 for 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

Additional arrive early? _____ or stay late nights? _____ Total nights requested _____
 Room request: Single Double Queen King Handicapable

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

Housing Committee does not find or assign roommates.

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

No airport shuttle services provided. See www.74nsdc.com for transportation information.
 Register and submit your hotel room choice early (on the form or online) to have the best chance of having your selection available, and no later than **May 1, 2025**. A weblink and phone number to the hotel reservation system will be sent to attendees in the order that the forms are received.
Do you prefer email or text notification? Email _____ Text _____
Note that hotels will not take your reservation for our convention until July 1, 2024. That hotel will provide your confirmation number as you provide your credit card number to hold the room. **You must be registered for the convention with a registration number to receive the convention contracted rate.** No self or online registration is available for the contracted rate except through the weblink and phone number which will be provided by the convention Housing Vice-Chairman.

MAP OF HOTELS & CAMPGROUND SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER



RV & CAMPING ACCOMMODATIONS

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

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

Assignments will be made in the order of registration form received & according to availability. All requests must be received by **July 15, 2024** and must be received by **Sept 15, 2024** to guarantee the 74th NSDC pricing. We have over 200 sites available, so no issue on availability.

Site nights needed: (4 Night Minimum)
 S 6/21 S 6/22 M 6/23 T 6/24 W 6/25 T 6/26 F 6/27 S 6/28 S 6/29
 # Additional arrive early? _____ or stay late nights? _____ Total nights requested _____

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

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

Group Name _____
 Group Leader Name _____
 Email _____ Phone _____

Your confirmed campground may assess a one-night penalty fee for cancellations received less than 72 hours of arrival, including early departure. 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.



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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 for August, 2024

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

Due to **space limitations, photo quality, or page formatting**, I can't use all of them sent in, or from Facebook); but you can view them (and videos, where available) on the various Facebook pages (including the **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 **July 2024**, downloadable at <https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square>, were from the emails, Facebook pages, and special dances from the **NEOSDA Square Dance Grapevine, ETSRDA, Whirl Twirl, Twirling Lariats, Twirling Funtimers, Heber Springers, Bluebird Squares, and the Maverick Mixers**.

Many thanks to Daryl Stout, Carolyn Birdsong, Mike and Ellen Glover Lewis, Elaine Cox, Kim Deane, Ted Hofmeister, Ginny Short, Anika Becker, and Anieta England, for the photos...plus thanks go to Kim Deane, Anieta England, Mary Shelby, Nona Sue Richardson Walker, and Roger Garner, among others, for info for their club reports on their Facebook pages.