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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 **ASSDF** clubs, organizations, and their Callers, and Cuers.

# Advertisements:

All Special Dance flyers are **FREE**, but ads for one's business/job, or other personal ads, are \$10 per month, or \$60 per year. In other words, if you buy a year's worth of ads, it's like you'll get six months free!!

**Advance Payment is required** to the ASSDF Treasurer, before the ad will run. All flyer and ad copy should be sent to the Editor before the deadline that is noted above. Please be sure that all of the information in the flyer, ads, etc., are **correct** before submission for publication.

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If you'd like to give back to this wonderful hobby, and serve as an ASSDF officer, please contact any ASSDF Board member. A photo of the 2025 ASSDF Officers can be found in the Jan. 2025 e-Edition.

#### 2025 Fall Festival

### Mike & Lanita Hammett 1533 Highway 300

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# President's Message

Dear Dancer Friends,

We enjoyed dancing with the Heber Springers for their St. Patrick's Dance, and with Jay King's River City Squares, where we had 3 squares plus some spares and danced both plus and mainstream. It is such fun to see familiar faces and make new friends all around the state. Our own club, the Twirling Lariats, had Victoria Bundy guest call on the 21<sup>st</sup>, and she was fantastic. We had some challenging work on plus calls and new mainstream music. Everyone really enjoyed it. Nelda Eaton will be the guest caller for April 4 and 18. Please come join us.

Have you been keeping up with your **Arkansas Traveler Badge**? If you've already completed your regular version, maybe you want to keep working on it in order to get your **Super Traveler**. Why not plan a visit to one of the other clubs in the state? With the weather improving, now's a great time to do that. Remember, once it's completed, turn it in to your club president, or to a member of the ASSDF board. Be sure you're registered for the Fall Festival, where we'll recognize all the recipients and you'll also earn points towards next year's badge.

Did you know we currently have a class of new callers training with Phil Moorehouse? It's exciting to see new callers coming on to make square dancing more available. They had a **New Kids on the Block** dance on Saturday, March 29 hosted by the Maverick Mixers. After only 4 weeks of lessons, they did a great job, and we had fun dancing to new voices and new songs. Please make sure to welcome them if they practice at your club any time soon. We want to support them so that they can support our favorite pastime!

In addition to the regular dances, dancing opportunities in April include the **Heber Springers Easter Bonnet Dance** on April 11 in Rosebud and the **Southern Swingers Special Dance** on April 12 in Bossier City. Both dances are called by Ken Burke, who called for us at the Fall Festival this past year.

Plans for the **75**<sup>th</sup> **ASSDF Diamond Jamboree Fall Festival** are coming along. Find a flyer on the **ASSDF website** or get one at your regular dances and sign up today. You'll get your **diamond dangle** and receive a ribbon and information on hotels and camping accommodations in the mail. You might also try local Airbnb's. It is a little bit of a challenge this year, as there is a UAPB football game on the same weekend; so, make reservations early!!

Does your club have a nearby venue that would work for hosting the **2026 ASSDF Fall Festival**? If so, please message us for a bid package. We are looking for a club and a location for the next festival and want to get that in the works as soon as possible. You can work ahead for other years as well. We're happy to email or mail you the package outlining what you'd need to host the festival. We're happy to help in any way.

We hope that you have a blessed Easter and worship at your church during Holy Week. If you do not have a place to worship, we'd love to have you join us. Please send us a message for more information. God has blessed us greatly with your friendship, in addition to salvation in Christ which we did not deserve. We pray that you will be blessed as well.

Yellow Rocks to you, 🕲 💆 🥸 🔌 💆

70m and Kim 70x, ASSD7 President, 2025

# **Square/Round Dance Social Media/Websites:**

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

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

Arkansas' Fall Festival, Arkansas State Square Dance Federation, Blue Belles and Beaus, Guys N Dolls, Heber Springers Square Dance Club, Levi's And Lace, Maverick Mixers, Pioneers, Square Dancing With Jay King (River City Squares), Southern Swingers, Star Steppers, The Three Amigos, Twirling Funtimers, and the 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 <a href="https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square">https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square</a>

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



With the time change to **Daylight Savings Time** last month, it means more daylight when you head to a dance. Mark your calendars for May 31, as it's the annual **Twirling Lariats June Bug Jamboree Dinner and Dance**, with the **ASSDF Spring Delegates Meeting** beforehand. **Please send 2 delegates from your club to this meeting**. A flyer on the dance is elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website**.

With the start of spring, it's also the start of the other four springtime seasons...tornado, mosquito, pollen, and lawn mowing. Check weather and road conditions before traveling, use mosquito repellent outdoors, keep your allergy medications handy, and don't let the grass get too tall (snakes can hide in that). Also, **call before you travel**, to check for any last-minute changes/cancellations, and if you've been ill, or feeling ill on a dance night, or if bad weather is an issue, please stay home. Our thoughts and prayers to all those affected by the recent severe weather.

If you're going to register to attend the 74<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention ® in Shreveport, LA from June 25-28, the registration costs INCREASE on May 1, and there are no refunds for any changes or cancellations. Some of the information from National Squares Online is later in this issue. Several ASSDF Clubs will be DARK during this time; please see the Special Events Calendar and the ASSDF website for details.

With summer travel time approaching, since the release of the March 2025 e-Editions, I've added several special dances/festivals in states surrounding Arkansas, to the **Special Events Calendar** that's elsewhere in this issue, plus on the **ASSDF website** under **Upcoming Events**; such as the **Mineola Railers Mainstream Extravaganza**, the **71**<sup>st</sup> **Kansas State Festival**, the **Route 66 Square Dance Jamboree**, the **Tennessee** "**Yippee We Are 50**" **Square/Round Dance Convention**, and the **Southern Swingers Fall Dance Extravaganza**, among many others.

**Many thanks** to National Caller Tim Tyl for these flyers, and to Pamela Waugh of **NORTEX** for the updates.

Speaking of festivals, the **ASSDF** is working on plans for the **75**<sup>th</sup> **Diamond Jamboree Dance** of the **ASSDF** Oct. 9-11 in White Hall, Arkansas. A registration form is elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website**. Further details on the weekend will be posted as soon as possible.

The Special Dance Photos for March, 2025, downloadable at <a href="https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square">https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square</a>, were from the emails, Facebook pages, as well as the club and special dances from NORTEX, USDA, SquareDanceUSA, the Louisiana Lagniappe, the 74<sup>th</sup> NSDC Fundraiser Mardi Gras Dance (both of those held at the Southern Swingers), Maverick Mixers, Heber Springers, Guys N Dolls, and the Twirling Lariats.

Thanks go to Carole Baker, Mike and Lanita Hammett, Melody Webb Moorehouse, Elaine Cox, Theresa Muth, Tom and Kim Fox, Audra Hill, Roger Garner, and Corben Geis, for the photos.

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

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# Daryl Stout, Editor, Webmaster, Circulation Chairman

There's nothing **Advanced** about it, and it's an easy **Challenge**...very **Basic**, right out of the **Mainstream** of life, giving the recipient a real **Plus**. It's a **Yellowrock Hug**...and that's no April Fool!!



# Where are your special events?

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

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

2025 - June 25-28, 2025	74 <sup>th</sup> NSDC Host City: Shreveport, Louisiana
2026 - June 24-27, 2026	75 <sup>th</sup> NSDC Host City: Waco, Texas
2027 - June 23-26, 2027	76 <sup>th</sup> NSDC Host City: Loveland, Colorado
2028 - June 21-24, 2028	77 <sup>th</sup> NSDC Host City: To Be Announced

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Daryl Stout, Editor, Webmaster, Circulation Chairman, ASSDF



# ASSDF Trail End Dance

The **MAVERICK MIXERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB** invites you to come dance with your favorite callers from all over the region.

# Thursday - October 9, 2025

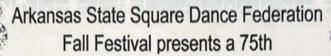
7:00 - 10:00 PM

White Hall Community Center 9801 Dollarway Road White Hall, AR 71602

\$10 Admission at the door

Stay for the **ASSDF DIAMOND JAMBOREE** on Friday and Saturday!!

Mainstream with announced plus



# Diamond Jamboree White Hall Community Center

9801 Dollarway Road, White Hall, AR 71602

# Friday, October 10, 2025 - Justin Russell Saturday, October 11, 2025 - Charlie Robertson

Mainstream with announced Plus tips - Round Dancing

Justin Russell

Arlington, TN





Charlie Robertson

Sulphur, OK

Mail registration and payment to Lanita Hammett. 1533 Hwy 300, Houston, AR 72070-8307

Early registration must be postmarked by September 30, 2025 - Please ensure checks are payable to ASSDF

Name(s)		Phone		
Address	City	State	ZIP	
Smail		Club Name	100000	
ickets (per person) *Under 18 free	with Adult*			
ull Weekend (early Registration)	\$30 x=_	Friday Only	\$20 x	=
ull Weekend (after 10/1/2025)	\$35 x =	Saturday Only	\$20 x	-



# Southern Swingers April Dance

Wear Your Favorite Dance Attire

Saturday, April 12th 7:00 to 9:30

Caller - Ken Burke

**Snacks Welcomed** 

Members \$6.00, Guest \$11.00 Per Person, Spectators Free PROMENADE HALL, 5400 BENTON RD., BOSSIER CITY, LA

For information email <a href="mailto:sssquaredance@gmail.com">sssquaredance@gmail.com</a> or Check out our Facebook page Southern Swingers Square Dancers

# Twirling Funtimers









Wednesday May 21, 2025 6:00-8:30pm, \$7

Guest Caller: Phil Moorehouse





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



# "Louisiana Lagniappe"

Where you get a little extra.

Lagniappe (pronounced, lan-yap) is a Cajun-French inspired noun that means "a little extra."

# Once a month on a Friday In Bossier City, LA at Promenade Hall 5400 Benton Rd. (Hwy. 3) - 5 miles North of I-220 Loop

# Dates for Jan thru Jun 2025

January 24 February 28 March (no dance)
April 18 May 30 June 20

### **BASIC - MAINSTREAM - PLUS**

So what's the Lagniappe – the little extra? Not gonna push it to the limit – but gonna push it a little past standard.

Basic and Mainstream called Lagniappe - with a little extra - using extended applications.

Called in ways and formations that you don't usually see - with a little extra challenge.

A few Plus calls will be used at each dance, but all plus calls used will be taught that night.

So, if you want to learn Plus – this is a chance to learn and dance a few plus calls each night.

These will also be called Lagniappe – with a little extra – with a little extra challenge.

Called in ways and formations that you don't usually see.

# 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

But we may start a little early, if caller and dancers are there – Lagniappe, A little extra. And we may stay a little later if we're not ready to leave there – Lagniappe, A little extra.

# CALLER TIM TYL

(and an occasional guest caller)

No Charge – Donations Accepted for caller and building

# Mineola Railers SDG

9th Annual

# "MAINSTREAM EXTRAVAGANZA"

It's Mainstream Dancing the way it should be!!!!! FUN FUN FUN!!!!!

# Tim Tyl



# Mariyln & Jerral Waguespack

Featured Saturday Night Cuer



# **Monty Hackler**



THIS IS A FUN-FILLED WEEKEND OF MAINSTREAM DANCING WITH TWO OF THE FINEST CALLERS ANYWHERE TO BE FOUND

May 23 - May 25, 2025

# AMERICAN LEGION HALL 2015 EAST US HWY 80, MINEOLA, TEXAS

Friday (Casual)		Saturday		Sunday (Casual)	
Trail End Dance	7:30-9:30	Mainstream Workshop	10:00-12:00	Trail Out 9:30-11:00 am	
Hot Hash Tip 9:30-10:00	Lunch	12:00-2:00	All Gospel Singing Calls		
	Mainstream Workshop	2:00-3:00	50 005408,0000		
		Dance the Workshops	3:00-3:30		
		Early Rounds	6:00-6:45		
		Dance	7:00-10:00 Tips	with one round between	

Weekend Package \$40/person (\$80/couple); \$45/person at the door (\$90/couple) No Split Tickets

For Hotel and Camping information: See back of Flyer or contact Howard & Sandra 903-312-3713

Name:		Mail registrations & payment to:  Howard & Sandra Rowan		
Address:	mile to Anemap Lepan Pul			
	0.00	Cut on dotted line and return with payment.  Make checks payable to Mineola Railers SDC		
Phone:		include "Mainstream Extravaganza" on men		
E-mail:				

Mail-in & early registrations must be postmarked by May 15, 2025

# Mineola Railers SDG

# 9<sup>TH</sup> Annual "MAINSTREAM EXTRAVAGANZA"

Hotel & RV Information
Hotel Facilities

Best Western Mineola Inn 100 Debby Ln Mineola, Texas, 75773

(903) 569-5331

4.5 miles to American Legion Hall

Best Western Lindale Inn 3501 S Main Street Lindale, Texas, 75771 (903) 882-8884

18 miles to American Legion Hall

https://www.bestwestern.com/en\_US/book/lindale/hotel-rooms/best-western-lindale-inn/propertyCode.44587.html

La Quinta Inn & Suites by Wyndham Lindale

204 W Centennial Blvd Lindale, TX 75771 (903) 882-1600 18 miles to American Legion Hall

www.wyndhamhotels.com/laquinta/lindale-texas/la-quinta-lindale/overview?CID=LC:LQ::GGL:RIO:National:53205

Hampton Inn Lindale/Tyler 3505 S Main St Lindale, TX 75771 (903) 882-1002

18 miles to American Legion Hall

https://hamptoninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/texas/hampton-inn-lindale-tyler-TYRLDHX/index.html

RV Facilities

Somewhere RV Park 1359 US-80

Mineola, TX 75773

1.6 miles to American Legion Hall

https://somewherervpark.com/

Red Fox RV & Resort 427 FM 49

Mineola, TX 75773

2 miles to American Legion Hall

(903) 767-5554

www.RedFoxRv.com

RedFoxRv&Resort@vahoo.com



ASSDF Spring Delegates Meeting
Saturday, May 31, 2025 - 4pm
American Legion Post 128
9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road & Leah Lane)

Please send 2 delegates from your club to this meeting. The Twirling Lariats June Bug Dinner And Dance follows afterwards.





TWIRLING LARIATS

ANNUAL JUNE BUG JAMBOREE
BBQ Dinner and DANCE



Featuring Carolyn Cullins' Scrumptious BBQ before the dance, then a fun evening of square dancing to Caller Tim Tyl.

Note the Revised Date: Saturday, May 31, 2025

Dinner at 6pm, Dance at 7pm

The 2025 dance is 1 week earlier, due to a schedule conflict

\$15 per person (includes dinner and dance)

ASSDF Delegates Meeting Prior to the dance at 4pm. Please have your club send two delegates to this important meeting.

The Twirling Lariats will be DARK on Friday, May 30th. For more info, contact Carolyn Cullins at 501-847-2157









# Spring Fling In The Park

Square Dance





Saturday May 31, 2025 2 - 4 pm, \$7

# Twirling Funtimers

Callers: Donna Gellenbeck

Ken Jarman

For info Call Tom or Anieta England 870-449-5135 or 870-404-4157 The Three Amigos USA 249, A Country, Hobby, Oh So Fine, Dance



Saturday, July 5, 2025 – American Legion Post 128 9925 Mann Road (Mann Road and Leah Lane) Dance at 7pm -- \$10 per person

Callers: Phil Moorehouse, Gene Gancarczyk, Joey Duhamel

For more information, please contact: Phil Moorehouse (501) 960-4476 Gene Gancarczyk (501) 767-6354 Joey Duhamel (870) 209-3646





# **TENNESSEE**



SQUARE & ROUND DANCE

CONVENTION

JULY 31, AUG. 1 & 2, 2025

# ROUNDS

Phases II-VI

Waltz Rumba
Foxtrot Jive
Mambo Cha
Bolero 2 Step
W Coast Swing

# **SQUARES**

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



# Tentative Schedule

LIVE

BANDII

WOOD

**FLOORS!** 

**THURSDAY** 

Trail-In Dance 8:00-11:00pm

2 Sq. Dance Halls

2 Dedicated Rd. Dance Halls

### FRIDAY & SATURDAY

10:00am - 11:00pm

8 Halls of Dancing

\*Live Band: Evening Hours

W.L. Mills Conference Center 234 Airport Road Gatlinburg, TN 37738

# Specials

Contra
Singles Dance
Sewing Clinic
After Party
Fashion Show
Vendors

Facebook: TN Square & Round Dance Convention

https://www.tnsquaredance.org/

# 50<sup>th</sup> Tennessee State Square & Round Dance Convention July 31, August 1 & 2 , 2025

### W.L. Mills Conference Center, Gatlinburg, Tennessee 234 Airport Road, 37738

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

Visit: www.tnsquaredance.org Convention Contact: Dusty Disney 865-228-0561 dustycoledisney@gmail.com
Key: Mn=minute, Wik=walk, Drv=drive, CC=Conf. Ctr, St=standard room, Qn=queen room, Dbl=double room, Reno-Renovated

Sidney James Mtn Lodge \$139 Dbl/Dbl, Dbl/On

610 Historic Nature Trail \*\$8 pn/pr Resort fee

(To book, call 865-436-7851, give Event Name)

Wi-Fi, refrig,, in/outdoor pool, Café', pet friendly

Edgewater Hotel \$136 Thur- \$146 Fr-Sat St. Rm

To book call 865-436-4151, give name of Event

Courtyard Downtow \$229 St 1 King / St Db/l On

https://marriott.com/GTLCY BOOKING LINK

Breakfast, Wi-Fi, indoor pool, balconv

\$129 Courtside - Dbl/On

www.edgewaterhotel.com

(2 Mn Wlk, 1 Mn Drv to CC)

Glenstone Lodge \$99 Thur. - \$139 Fr-Sat - 2 On

Wi-Fi, Indoor/outdoor pool, restaurant, balcony

310 Cottage Dr. 865-436-5836 \$160 St. 2 Qn

(To book, call 865-304-1309, give name Event)

(.5 mil Wk/Dry to CC)

Breakfast, Wi-Fi, Patio/Balcony, Pool

Park Place Condos 800-321-5798 / 865-436-6303

(15 Mn Wlk, 5 Mn Drv)

http://www.glenstonelodge.com

EconoLodge Inn & Suites On the River

\$195 - 2 Bd Rm (\$60 1-time clng fee)

\$285 - 3 Bd Rm (\$75 1-time clng fee)

(Rate Code: 5D2

(8 Mn Wlk, 2 Mn, Drv to CC)

865-436-5656

215 Ski Mtn. Rd.

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\*\*If BOOKING LINK shown below, go to www.tnsquaredance.org/Convention/Hotels to click on LINK.

/Kng w/balcony.

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# **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; and have your Arkansas Traveler Badge form (noted on the previous page).

The listings of dances/festivals are with the **ASSDF Clubs** first, then **non-ASSDF dances/festivals** in Arkansas, Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas). Please 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 <u>assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com</u> – dances that have been **CANCELED** have been **REMOVED** from this listing.

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

# ASSDF Club Special Dances

# **APRIL 2025**

April 11, 2025 – Heber Springers Easter Bonnet Dance, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Guest Caller: Ken Burke

# **April 12, 2025 – Southern Swingers Special Dance**,

Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Ken Burke. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

### **MAY 2025**

May 9, 2025 – Heber Springers Cinco De Mayo Dance, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Guest Caller: Tim Tyl

May 10, 2025 – Southern Swingers Special Dance, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl.

May 21, 2025 – Twirling Funtimers Favorite T-Shirt Dance, Lloyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview, AR. Dance at 6pm. Guest Caller: Phil Moorehouse. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, or on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

May 26, 2025 – The Pioneers and Star Steppers are DARK tonight.

May 30, 2025 – The Twirling Lariats are DARK tonight.

May 31, 2025 – The Maverick Mixers are DARK tonight.

May 31, 2025 – Twirling Lariats June Bug Jamboree Dance, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. \* Featuring Carolyn Cullins' scrumptious BBQ \* \* ASSDF Delegates Meeting prior to the dinner and dance \* \* Date changed due to schedule conflict with caller Tim Tyl \* See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website for more info.

May 31, 2025 – Twirling Funtimers Spring Fling In The Park Square Dance, Yellville, AR. Callers: Ken Jarman and

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

### **JUNE 2025**

**June 13, 2025 – Heber Springers Hawaiian Dance**, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse.

June 27, 2025 – The Heber Springers and the Levi's And Lace are DARK tonight.

June 28, 2025 – The Maverick Mixers are DARK tonight.

#### JULY 2025

July 4, 2025 – The Twirling Lariats are DARK tonight.

July 5, 2025 – The Three Amigos USA 249 A Country Hobby Oh So Fine Dance, American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR. Dance at 7pm. Callers: Phil Moorehouse, Gene Gancarczyk, Joey Duhamel. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, or on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**July 11, 2025 – Heber Springers Red White And Blue Dance**, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Guest Caller: Greg Hatmaker

**July 12, 2025 – Southern Swingers Special Dance**, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl.

July 16, 2025 – Twirling Funtimers Special Dance, Lloyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane, Lakeview, AR. Dance at 6pm. Guest Caller: Monty Hackler.

### AUGUST 2025

**Aug. 9, 2025 – Southern Swingers Special Dance**, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: TBA

Aug. 22, 2025 – Heber Springers Ice Cream Social Dance, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse.

### SEPTEMBER 2025

**Sep. 12, 2025 – Heber Springers Hillbilly Dance**, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse.

Sep. 12-13, 2025 – Southern Swingers Fall Dance Extravaganza, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl. Callers: Phil Moorehouse, Joey Duhamel, and Tim Tyl. Cuer: Ken Vantiger. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website for more info.

### **OCTOBER 2025**

Oct. 9-11, 2025 – 75<sup>th</sup> ASSDF Diamond Jamboree Fall Festival, White Hall, AR. Sponsored by the Maverick Mixers. Trail-End Dance Thursday, Oct. 9. Friday Night (Oct. 10) Caller: Justin Russell. Saturday Night (Oct. 11) Caller: Charlie Robertson. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Oct. 10, 2025 – The Heber Springers and Levi's And Lace are DARK tonight.

Oct. 11, 2025 – The Maverick Mixers are DARK tonight.

Oct. 24, 2025 – Heber Springers Halloween Dance. Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West. Dance at 7pm. Caller: Phil Moorehouse.

### NOVEMBER 2025

Nov. 8, 2025 – Southern Swingers Special Dance, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl.

Nov. 14, 2025 – Heber Springers Give Thanks Dance, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse.

Nov. 26, 2025 – The Twirling Funtimers are DARK tonight.

### DECEMBER 2025

**Dec. 12, 2025 – Heber Springers Christmas Dinner Dance**, Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Caller: Phil Moorehouse. Dinner at 6:30pm, Dance at 7pm.

**Dec. 13, 2025 – Southern Swingers Special Dance**, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Joey Duhamel.

Dec. 24, 2025 – The Twirling Funtimers are DARK tonight.

Dec. 26, 2025 – The Heber Springers are DARK tonight.



# Non-ASSDF Special Dances and Festivals

### **APRIL 2025**

**April 3, 2025 – Recycles Hot Diggity Dog Dance**, Tulsa, OK. Callers: Shane Greer and Monty Hackler. \* Hot Dogs And All The Fixins' \* See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**April 3, 2025 – Roadrunners Concealed In Camo Dance**, Fort Worth, TX. Caller: Phil Moorehouse. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

April 4, 2025 – Kissin' Kuzzins Roaring 20s Celebrating 52 Years Dance, Richardson, TX. Guest Caller: Phil Moorehouse. Club Caller: Mike Bramlett. See the flyer on the ASSDF website for more info.

**April 4, 2025 – Country Spring Trail-End Dance**, Tulsa, OK. Callers: Bobby Willis, Monty Hackler, Bill Powell, Tim Tyl, Shane Greer, and Ken Burke. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

April 4, 2025 – Texas Reelers Its Your Game Day Dance, Richardson, TX. Callers: Deborah Carroll-Jones and Jones. Cuers: Chris and Maria Farabaugh. See the flyer on the ASSDF website for more info.

**April 4, 2025 – TSquare Gadabouts April Showers May Flowers Dance**, Fort Worth, TX. Caller: Vernon Jones. Cuer: Jan Toms. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**April 5, 2025 – Country Spring Festival**, Tulsa, OK. Callers: Jay Wright, Phil Moorehouse, Shane Greer, Jim Howard, Bill Powell, Mike McHenry, Gary Shoemake, Donna Gellenbeck, Loren Behm, Bobby Willis, Monty Hackler, Ken Burke, Jay King, Bob Loyd, and Anita Merrill. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**April 5, 2025 – Ottawa Promenaders Hawaiian Dance**, Ottawa, KS. Caller: Dana Schirmer. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**April 5, 2025 – Circle 8's Spring Fling**, Fort Worth, TX. Guest Caller: K.O. Jeanes. Club Caller: Melton Luttrell. Club Cuer: Walter Brewer. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**April 11, 2025 – Pioneers 44**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary Dance**, Weatherford, TX. Caller: Tim Tanner. Lines: Peggy Martin. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**April 11, 2025 – Stone Steppers Spring It On Dance**, Garland, TX. Caller: Bill Hinkley. Cuer: Christine Hixson. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**April 11, 2025 – Swinging Stars Income Tax Day Dance**, Richardson, TX. Caller: Mike Bramlett. Cuer: David Berling. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**April 12, 2025 – Circle I Hats On Parade Dance**, Irving, TX. Caller: Ray Savell. Cuers: Chris and Maria Farabaugh. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**April 12, 2025 – Bluebonnet Festival**, Burton, TX. Caller: Scott Bennett. Cuers: Marilyn and Jerral Waguespack. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**April 17, 2025 – Roadrunners Batter Up Dance**, Fort Worth, TX. Caller: Nelda Eaton. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**April 18, 2025 – Louisiana Lagniappe Dance**, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**April 18, 2025 – Kissin Kuzzins Easter Dance**, Garland, TX. Caller: Mike Bramlett. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info

**April 18, 2025 – Texas Reelers Letter H Dance**, Richardson, TX. Callers: Deborah Carroll-Jones and Jon Jones. Cuers: Chris and Maria Farabaugh. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

April 19, 2025 – Trailblazers I Wanna Dance With Some Bunny Dance, Fort Worth, TX. Caller: Ray Savell. See the flyer on the ASSDF website for more info.

**April 19, 2025 – Rebel Rousers Egg-Stravaganza Dance**, Richardson, TX. Caller: Mike Bramlett. Cuer: Christine Hixson. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**April 19, 2025 – Ottawa Promenaders 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance**, Ottawa, KS. Caller: Dana Schirmer. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**April 25, 2025 – Fort Worth Squares Spring Dance**, Fort Worth, TX. Caller: Charles Crockett. Cuer: David Barling. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

April 25, 2025 – Swinging Stars Spring Fling Dance, Richardson, TX. Caller: Charlie Robertson. Cuer: Jan Toms. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**April 26, 2025 – Tri-City Promenaders Flamingo Dance,** Hurst, TX. Caller: Ray Savell. Cuers: Chris and Maria Farabaugh. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.



### **MAY 2025**

May 2-3, 2025 -- Ozone Squares 32<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Dance Weekend, Covington, LA. Caller: Jet Roberts. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

May 3, 2025 – Stone Steppers 67<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance, Garland, TX. Callers: Tim Tyl and Richard Lane. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

May 3, 2025 – Ottawa Promenaders Mexican Hat Dance, Ottawa, KS. Caller: Dana Schirmer. See the flyer on the **ASSDF** website for more info.

May 17, 2025 – Crosstrailers 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner and Dance, Raytown, MO. See the flyer on the ASSDF website for more info.

May 22, 2025 – Lagniappe Dance, Glenwood (Gilmer), TX. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

May 23-25, 2025 – Mineola Railers 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Mainstream Extravaganza, Mineola, TX. Callers: Tim Tyl and Monty Hackler. Saturday Night Cuers: Marilyn and Jerral Waguespack. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

May 30, 2025 – Louisiana Lagniappe Dance, Bossier City, LA. Caller: Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

### **JUNE 2025**

June 6-7, 2025 – 71<sup>st</sup> Kansas State Dance Festival, Wichita, KS. Caller: Tim Tyl. Cuers: Kevin and Diane Denning. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 7, 2025 -- SunDancers Benefit Dance for the 75<sup>th</sup> NSDC, Georgetown, TX. Callers: Vernon Jones and Brad Caldwell. Cuers: Tricia Morley and Dennis Artz - Line Dance Leader: Billy Grimsley. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

June 12-15, 2025 – 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Texas State Federation **Promenade To Friendship Festival**, Temple, TX. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

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

# **JULY 2025**

July 9-12, 2025 – International Choreographed Ballroom Dance Association Convention, Springdale, AR. See the flyer on the ASSDF website for more info.

July 11-13, 2025 – 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Route 66 Square Dance Jamboree, Elk City, OK. Callers: Bobb Willis, Jeff Holley, Darryl Lipscomb, Jimmy Gouge, Don Main, Tim Tanner, and Ray Savell. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

July 31 through Aug. 2, 2025 – Tennessee Yipee We Are 50 Square And Round Dance Convention, Gatlinburg, TN. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website for more info.

### AUGUST 2025

**Aug. 7-9, 2025 – Heart Of America Singles Square Dance Association (HASSDA) 2025 Fall** Festival, Emporia, KS. Trail-End Dance Aug. 7 – Caller: Curt Braffert – Cuer: Betty Skillett. Main Festival Aug. 8-9 – Callers: Mike Bramlett, Eric Henerlau, Curt Braffert. Cuers: Carolyn and Tony Ahart. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**Aug. 17-21, 2025 – Eureka Springs Round Dance Vacation**, Eureka Springs, AR. Cuers: Pamela and Jeff Johnson, plus Bill and Beth Davenport. Round Dance Phases III, IV, V, and VI. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

**Aug. 28-31, 2025 – 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Weekend In Paris**, Paris, TX. Callers: Darryl Lipscomb, Tony Oxendine, Buddy Weaver, Tim Tyl, and Jet Roberts. Cuers: David and Jan Toms. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

# SEPTEMBER 2025

**Sep. 19-21, 2025 – Brazos Bash**, Waco, TX. Callers: Vernon Jones, Ken Burke, and Tim Tyl. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

# **OCTOBER 2025**

Oct. 24-25, 2025 – NORTEX Roundup, Fort Worth, TX. Callers: Jack Pladdys and Warren Jones. Cuer: Karen Gloodt. See the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

### **JUNE 2026**

June 24-27, 2026 – 75th National Square Dance Convention

®, Waco, Texas. More info, as well as a Registration Form are at <a href="https://75nsdctx.com/">https://75nsdctx.com/</a> -- Promotion of the 75th NSDC will begin with the July 2025 full e-Edition.

#### **JUNE 2027**

**June 23-26, 2027 – 76<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention** ®, Loveland, Colorado. More info, as well as an Early Bird Registration Form are at https://76nsdc.com

## Club Reports

**Note**: Information for these reports was obtained from the club Facebook groups and photos, plus emails to the Editor. DS

#### **Guys N Dolls**

We had 3 squares at our March 15, **St. Patrick's Dance**, with Guest Caller Joey Duhamel. Several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition, with some videos on the East Texas Square And Round Dance Association (ETSRDA) Facebook page. We'd like to thank the members of ETSRDA for the many dancers at the dance.

It's now just over 2 months until the **74**<sup>th</sup> **National Square Dance Convention (R)** in Shreveport, and several dancers from our club, and around the region, have been working hard to make this a convention to remember. Several items from National Squares Online can be found elsewhere in this issue.

We dance on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month at Plentiful Harvest Church, at 500 North Merrill, in New Boston, Texas...with Nelda Eaton as our caller. We hope to have you join us real soon.

#### Rhonda Bailey

#### **Heber Springers**

We have confirmed that National Caller Dan Nordbye will do our **Halloween Dance** on Oct. 24. This is always a fun dance each fall, with several folks in costume.

We had just over 2 squares at our **St. Patrick's Dance** on March 14...several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition. Thankfully, the dance was done, and dancers were headed home just before the severe thunderstorms with tornadoes and flooding rain arrived. Our thoughts and prayers to everyone affected by the severe weather.

This month, April 12, features our **Easter Bonnet Dance** with National Caller Ken Burke, who was one of the callers at last year's **ASSDF Fall Festival**. The other caller at last year's **ASSDF Fall Festival**, Tim Tyl, will call our **Cinco De Mayo Dance** on May 9. Then, we'll travel to the **Twirling Lariats June Bug Jamboree** on May 31, to again dance to Tim Tyl.

June 13 will feature our **Hawaiian Dance**, but we'll be **DARK** June 27, for the **74**<sup>th</sup> **National Square Dane Convention** (**R**) in Shreveport. Several dancers will travel to **The Three Amigos 249 A Country Hobby Oh So Fine Dance** on July 3, dancing to our own Phil Moorehouse, joined by fellow callers Joey Duhamel, and Gene Gancarczyk. The following week, we'll have our own **Red White and Blue Dance** on July 11 with Greg Hatmaker.

As summer heads to autumn, August 22 features our **Ice Cream Social Dance**, with our **Hillbilly Dance** on Sept. 12. For October, we'll be **DARK** on Oct. 10 for the **ASSDF 75th Diamond Jamboree** in White Hall, and as noted earlier, National Caller Dan Nordbye will do our **Halloween Dance** on Oct. 24.

Closing out the year, we'll have our **Give Thanks Dance** on Nov. 14, and our **Christmas Dinner and dance** on Dec. 12. We will be **DARK** on Dec. 26, and we may be **DARK** the day after Thanksgiving...watch this report, and our Facebook page for updates.

Please join us at the Rosebud Community Center, at 5916 Highway 36 in Rosebud, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays of each month, with Phil

Moorehouse as our caller. Please check our Facebook page for any last-minute changes or cancellations.

#### Theresa Muth

#### Levi's And Lace

Ron Wise was our guest caller at our March dances, as our own Gene Gancarczyk has been under the weather, with the change of seasons and allergies. We wish him a speedy recovery, and hope he'll be back with us soon.

We dance at Lake Hamilton Cumberland Presbyterian Church at 2891 Airport Road, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays of each month. We hope to have you join us real soon.

#### Phyllis Keeney

#### **Maverick Mixers**

Guest callers Ron Wise and Donna Gellenbeck, respectively, did our March 8 and 22 lessons and dances...as our own Phil Moorehouse was in Bossier City, Louisiana, on March 8 for the 74th NSDC Fundraiser Dance, and in Waco, Texas on March 22 for the 75th NSDC Pre-Convention Kickoff dance.

Phil was at our "New Kids On The Block" Amateur Callers Night dance on March 29, with 4 new and current callers...several folks trying their hand at calling. A photo from that dance is in the Special Dances e-Edition...featuring Ron Wise, Lanita Pettey Hammett, Phil Moorehouse, Patti Cummings, and Roger Garner.

As noted last month, our own Phil Moorehouse will be "a Travelin' Maverick", doing special dances around the region. Phil will be in Richardson, Texas on April 4, for the Kissin' Kuzzins Roaring 20s Celebrating 52 years of Dancing event, then at the Country Spring Festival in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on April 5. See the flyers on the **ASSDF** website under **Upcoming Events** for more information.

Lessons continue on Saturday evenings, and the students are doing well. They should be graduated by the time of the **74th National Square Dance Convention** (**R**) in Shreveport, June 25-28, 2025. We will be **DARK** June 28 for the **74th NSDC**, as well as on Oct. 11 for the **ASSDF Diamond Jamboree Fall Festival** in White Hall.

We dance the 2nd, 4th, and selected 5th Saturdays, at American Legion Post 128, at 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), in southwest Little Rock. We do lessons from 6:30pm to 7:30pm, and appreciate any and all angels that can help with the class. Then, our regular dance follows afterwards from 7:30pm to 9:30pm, with our own Phil Moorehouse calling a great dance.

#### Daryl Stout

#### **Pioneers**

We dance at the Ramada Inn on Highway 82 in Mountain Home on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays. Note that we will be **DARK** on May 26 for the Memorial Day holiday weekend. We hope to see you in a square real soon.

#### Becky Hestand

#### **River City Squares**

Our own Jay King (who recently had a birthday), will be joining a host of other callers at the Country Spring Festival in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on April 5. Please see the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

Thoughts and prayers go to Roger Eversoll, recovering from recent bypass surgery. We plan to start lessons in early October...more information will be posted as the date gets closer.

We dance each Tuesday starting at 6:30pm at the Fort Smith Senior Center, at 2700 Cavanaugh Road, where our own Jay King always calls a great dance...we hope you'll join us soon!!

#### Jody King

#### **Southern Swingers**

We had just over 3 squares -- 29 people -- at our Feb. 28 **Louisiana Lagniappe Dance** with National Caller Tim Tyl. Several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition. Other **Louisiana Lagniappe Dances** this year will be on April 18, May 30, and June 30...the latter just prior to the **74**<sup>th</sup> **National Square Dance Convention** (**R**) in Shreveport, that our club is hosting. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue for more details.

Speaking of the **74**<sup>th</sup> **National Square Dance Convention (R)**, it's hard to believe it's just over 2 months away now. Our club and other Louisiana dancers, with many others, have worked hard to make it an enjoyable experience for everyone. Please see the latest issue of National Squares Online for more details. Thanks to everyone who came out and supported the Mardi Gras Weekend Dance. Over the two days, we had about 70 dancers and raised approximately \$1,300 to benefit the **74**<sup>th</sup> **NSDC!** Several photos from the Mardi Gras Fund Raiser Dance Weekend are in the Special Dances e-Edition, with many dancers from the region in attendance.

Other special dances we have scheduled for this year are on April 12 with Ken Burke, on May 10 with Tim Tyl, on July 12 with Phil Moorehouse, on August 9 (caller to be determined), our **Fall Dance Extravaganza** on Sept. 12 and 13, with Tim Tyl, Phil Moorehouse, and Joey Duhamel, on November 8 with Tim Tyl, then concluding the year on December 13 with our own Joey Duhamel calling our Christmas Dance. We hope to see you at one or more of these special dances.

Happy March birthday and anniversaries to Larry and Laura, Zoe, Paul, and Kerry and Carole...a photo of them is in the Special Dances e-Edition.

We dance at Promenade Hall at 5400 Benton Road in Bossier City, Louisiana on Tuesdays, with special dances on selected Saturdays. We are also continuing classes on Tuesdays, and our students will be ready to dance at the **74<sup>th</sup> NSDC** in June. Our own Joey Duhamel has done a great job with the class, and he always calls a great dance.

#### Carole Baker

#### **Twirling Funtimers**

On the last full day of winter, national caller Tim Tyl, called another great dance. A full Irish dinner was served, then three squares started the evening off. We had two visiting Clubs From Missouri, Trail Blazer and Kountry Kuzins...the Kountry Kuzins took our banner home.

A visiting couple from Minnesota (new dancers) joined us. Two of our club members returned as a newly married couple, congratulations to Patti Moreci and Steve Wille. This was a happy fun filled evening. Thank you, Tim Tyl, and to everyone who contributed to the meal and to all of you dancers. Life is a dance! Our cuer, Marge Sherill, was back after an illness, but while she wasn't dancing, it was good to have her back with us again.

Our own Donna Gellenbeck will be joining a host of other callers at the Country Spring Festival in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on April 5. Please see the flyer on the **ASSDF website** for more info.

We have 2 special dances coming up over the next few months. Our May 19 Special Dance will feature Phil Moorehouse, with "Your Favorite T-Shirt Dance"...(wear your favorite T-shirt -- a flyer is in the full e-Edition and on the ASSDF website). Our summertime special on July 16 will feature Monty Hackler. Our own Loree Kant will have the flyer for the July Special Dance on the ASSDF website and in the full e-Edition as soon as possible. Kudos to Loree for her excellent work on the flyers.

We dance every Wednesday 6-8:30 pm, at the Lloyd Travis Municipal Center, 14 Skyles Lane, in Lakeview Arkansas. Follow us on Facebook: https://www.Facebook.com/twirlingfuntimers

Please note that we are **DARK** when schools are closed due to weather conditions. Any questions, please call Tom England at 870-404-4157. Lastly, with the end of year holidays, we'll be **DARK** on Nov. 26 for Thanksgiving, and **DARK** on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24.



#### **Twirling Lariats**

Make your plans for our annual **June Bug Jamboree Dance** on May 31, at our regular dance place. There will be an **ASSDF Delegates Meeting** at 4pm, prior to the dinner at 6pm (featuring Carolyn Cullins' scrumptious BBQ), then dancing to National Caller Tim Tyl at 7pm. See the flyer in the full e-Edition and on the **ASSDF website** for details.

We were **DARK** on March 7, as many of our dancers were at the **74**<sup>th</sup> **National Square Dance Convention (R) Fundraising Dance** in Bossier City. We had 2 squares and a couple spares at our March 21 dance, despite several being in Waco, TX for the **75th NSDC** Pre-Convention activities.

Guest Caller Victoria Bundy from Memphis, made the evening fun. For Plus workshop, she did a great job, and we realized how lazy we dancers had been, relying on some of Phil or Joey's clues about calls or relying on being in the "normal" position. When we were half sashayed, we blew it! Ha ha! Now we know. Several photos are in the Special Dances e-Edition. Nelda Eaton will be our guest caller for the April 4<sup>th</sup> and April 18<sup>th</sup> dances. Please come and join us to support these guest callers.

We dance at American Legion Post 128 at 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane) on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and selected 5<sup>th</sup> Fridays, unless otherwise noted...we hope to have you join us soon!! Please check our Facebook page for any last-minute updates, changes, or cancellations.

#### Roger Garner





Is your club planning on doing **New Dancer Lessons** soon?? If so, please email the class info at least a month before the classes begin, to <a href="mailto:assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com">assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com</a>— the info will be at <a href="https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/new-dancers">https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/new-dancers</a> on the **ASSDF website**, and in **The Modern Square**.

Info needed is the date, time, location, caller/cuer/instructor, plus a contact person for info. These can be square dancing, round dancing, line dancing, or clogging. A dance partner is normally not required, but check with the contact person noted to be sure.

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

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The **River City Squares** are tenatively scheduled to start lessons in early October. Further details will be posted as the class start time gets closer.

## **ASSDF Club Directory**

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

Clubs that are **DARK** may still be in the **Google Events Calendar** on the **ASSDF website** (<a href="https://www.arkansassquaredance.com">https://www.arkansassquaredance.com</a>), but call before traveling to see if they're dancing that evening.

Note that clubs that are **DANCING** may have to cancel a regular dance, or change the dance days, times, and locations, at the last minute, or during certain times of the year, for various reasons.

Again, **please call before you travel** to avoid making the trip for nothing. And, if you feel ill, or if bad weather is an issue on a dance night, please stay home.

Please advise the Editor if info for the clubs noted, or for the info in the Callers And Cuers section (following this listing), is wrong; or if your club is changing their dance dates, times, locations, etc.

Lastly, check with the caller, cuer, or club contact for the dance level, if the club has a pre-dance workshop, admission cost, and if the club is "couples only" or welcomes singles (not married, or without a dance partner).

#### **Fort Smith**

River City Squares – Tuesday, 6:30pm **DANCING** Fort Smith Senior Center, 2700 Cavanaugh Road

Caller: Jay King

Contact: Jay King, 1402 North 12th Street, Van Buren, AR

72956 (479) 474-8500

#### **Hot Springs**

Levi's And Lace – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday, 7pm **DANCING** Lake Hamilton Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 2891 Airport Road

Caller: Gene Gancarczyk

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

Royal, AR 71968 (501) 991-3292

#### Judsonia

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

Judsonia Community Center, 601 Judson Street

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

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

AR 72010 (501) 724-3930

#### Lakeview

Twirling Funtimers – Wednesday, 6pm to 8:30pm **DANCING** Mainstream/Plus, with Round Dance Phases 1, 2, and 3 Lloyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane -- \$7 per person (Special Dances on 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday) Callers: Donna Gellenbeck and Ken Jarman

Cuer: Marge Sherrill

Contact: Anieta England (870) 449-5135

#### Little Rock (Mabelvale)(1)

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

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

Leah Lane) -- \$7 per person

Caller: Guest Callers

Contact: Clifton Taylor and Carolyn Cullins, 9027 Highway 5

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

#### Little Rock (Mabelvale)(2)

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

Mainstream with announced Plus

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

Leah Lane) -- \$8 per person

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

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

(501) 690-8325

#### **Mountain Home**

Pioneers – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday, 6:30pm **DANCING** 

Ramada Inn, 1127 Highway 62 East

Caller: Roy Hestand

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

72653 (870) 329-1141

#### Rose Bud

Heber Springers – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday, 7pm **DANCING** Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

Contact: Theresa Muth (501) 238-2713

#### White Hall (Pine Bluff)

Star Steppers – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday, 7pm **DANCING** White Hall Media Center (Scout Hut), White Hall City Park, 700

Andersen Avenue

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

Contact: Kathy Tankersly (870) 718-0571

#### **Bossier City, LA (Shreveport)**

Southern Swingers – Tuesday, 7pm (Special Dances 2<sup>nd</sup>

Saturday) **DANCING** 

Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Road

Caller: Joey Duhamel

Contact: Alitia Becker, 8008 Cardigan Way, Shreveport, LA

71129 (318) 547-9478

Contact: Carole Becker (318) 780-3997

#### **New Boston, TX (Texarkana)**

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

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

Caller: Nelda Eaton

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

75501 (903) 276-3422

#### **ASSDF Club Callers And Cuers**

**Bownderville, Boyce --** (870) 530-2444 -- M/P

**Duhamel, Joey** – 479 Country Farm Road, Baskin, LA 71219 Cell: (870) 209-3646 <u>jdcalls@yahoo.com</u> M/P: Yes *Southern Swingers* 

**Eaton, Nelda** – P.O. Box 1118, New Boston, TX 75570 Home: (903) 628-2425 Cell: (903) 278-8068 M/P: Yes *Guys And Dolls* 

**Gancarczyk, Gene and Carolyn** – 249 Songer Lane, Pearcy, AR 71964 (501) 767-6354 <u>geneandcarolyn@sbcglobal.net</u> P *Levi's And Lace* 

**Gellenbeck, Donna** – 139 Dogwood Lane, Lakeview, AR 72642 (870) 620-0037 <a href="mailto:speedshots@hotmail.com">speedshots@hotmail.com</a> M/P:Yes *Twirling Funtimers* 

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

**Jarman, Ken** – 127 Muscovy Drive, Mountain Home, AR 72653 (870) 404-8480 <u>korcjarman@yahoo.com</u> M *Twirling Funtimers* 

**King, Jay and Jody** -- 1402 North 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Van Buren, AR 72956 (479) 474-8500 jayking@cox.net P/A, Rounds 1-3 *River City Squares* 

**Moorehouse, Phil** – 4660 Stagecoach Road, Redfield, AR 72132 (501) 960-4476 <a href="mailto:philmoorehouse@aol.com">philmoorehouse@aol.com</a> P:Yes Blue Belles And Beaus, Heber Springers, Maverick Mixers, and Star Steppers

**Ritter, Art** – 1213 Oak Acres Drive, Bryant, AR 72019 (501) 326-8003

**Vandergriff, Anita** – 8215 Tyro Road, Hackett, AR 72937 (479) 274-9775 <a href="mailto:anitav@centurytel.net">anitav@centurytel.net</a>

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

White, Gordon and Susan – 6 Perfecto Place, Hot Springs Village, AR 71913 (501) 822-0803 <u>white3297@hotmail.com</u> P

**Wise, Ron** – 4800 Highway 104, White Hall, AR 71602 (870) 267-0702 <u>ronwise@prodigy.net</u>

#### **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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# HOTEL & CAMPING INFORMATION ON REVERSE

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Shoes must be worn at all times.

# More information available at www.74nsdc.com

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> MAP OF HOTELS & CAMPGROUND SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER 74 Bossier City

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

arrive together.

Group Leader Name

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./4nsdc.com Email Phone

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### EMERGENCY INFORMATION

A Minor First Aid Station will be located inside the Shreveport Convention Center on the first floor in the main lobby on the west wall during the 74th NSDC. Please keep this information on hand in case of an emergency.

#### URGENT CARE/WALK-IN CLINICS

Ochsner LSU Health - Urgent Care

1641 E. 70th St. in Shreveport (318) 626-0037



Christus Health - Urgent Care

7045 Youree Dr. in Shreveport (318) 681-6890

www.christushealth.org/locations/velocity-urgent-care-vouree

Willis-Knighton Quick Care Urgent Centers

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#### HOSPITALS SHREVEPORT

Ochsner LSU Health Medical Center Willis-Knighton Medical Center

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3.6 miles from Convention Center

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1453 East Bert Kouns Industrial Loop Shreveport, LA 71105 (318) 681-5443

10 miles from Convention Center

#### HOSPITALS - BOSSIER CITY

Willis-Knighton Bossier Health Center

2400 Hospital Drive Bossier City, LA 71111 (318) 212-7500 or (318) 212-7510 7 miles from Convention Center

FOR EMERGENCY HELP DIAL

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Christus Bossier Emergency Hospital

2531 Viking Drive Bossier City, LA 71111 (318) 681-7000

7 miles from Convention Center

#### POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Shreveport Police Dept.

1239 Texas Street Shreveport, LA 71101 (318) 673-7300

1.5 miles Convention Center

Bossier City Police Dept.

620 Benton Road Bossier City, LA 71111 (318) 741-8611

2.7 miles from Convention Center

Shreveport Fire Department

263 Common St.

1.1 miles from Convention Center

Wal-Mart Super Center 1125 Shreveport Barksdale Highway

Shreveport, LA 71105 (318) 861-9202

4.5 miles from Convention Center

## PHARMACY "There are several other phrammacy locations around Shreveport-Bossier City

**CVS Pharmacy** 

1540 N. Market St. Shreveport, LA 71107 (310) 424-1429

1.9 miles from Convention Center

Shreveport, LA 71101 (318) 673-6655

#### Walgreen's Pharmacy

510 Kings Hwv. Shreveport, LA 71104 (318) 424-0896

2.8 miles from Convention Center

#### VETERINARY

Caddo Animal Hospital, 3210 Hearne Ave., Shreveport, LA 71103, (318) 636-1534, 3.6 miles from Convention Center Animal Emergency Clinic, 2421 Line Dr., Shreveport, LA 71104, (318) 227-2345, 2.8 miles from Convention Center Valor Veterinary Hospital, 1701 Old Minden Rd. Suite 26, Bossier City, LA 71111, (318) 725-5990, Open 24/7

#### 74th National Square Dance Convention® Key Dates!

\*Here are important dates to help with planning purposes for the 74th National Square Dance Convention® to be held June 25-28 in Shreveport, LA

JUNE	22-25
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GSI/NSDC Caller's School 12 p.m., June 22-June 25\*\* Sam's Town Hotel & Casino

Experience New Orleans Tour June 22-25 New Orleans

**TUESDAY, JUNE 24** 

 Registration Opens
 12-9 p.m.
 SCC Lobby

 Tour Booth Open
 12-4 p.m.
 SCC Center Lobby

 Trail End Dance
 8-10 p.m.
 SCC Exhibit Hall 1

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

Tour Booth Open 8 a.m.-4 p.m. SCC Center Lobby

Historic Natchitoches Tour 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Natchitoches/Meet by Tour Booth Shreveport City Tour 9-11 a.m. Shreveport/Meet by Tour Booth

Registration Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m. SCC Lobby

Gator & Friends Tour

Shreveport City Tour

10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Shreveport/Meet by Tour Booth

USDA Annual Meeting

12-4 p.m.

Exhibit Hall 2 (Auditorium)

Various Locations, TBA

Cajun Dinner (ticket required)

Comedian/Motivational Speaker Dennis Swanberg

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Trail End Dances/Ghost Riders Band 8-10 p.m. Exhibit Hall 3

Campground After Party 10 p.m.-midnight State Fairgrounds RV Park

**THURSDAY, JUNE 26** 

Tour Booth Open 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. SCC Lobby
Historic Natchitoches Tour 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Natchitoche

Historic Natchitoches Tour

Down on the Farm Tour

Shreveport City Tour

Registration Open

Education Office Open

8 a.m.-5 p.m.

9 a.m.-1 p.m.

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SCC Lobby

SCC Level 2, TBA

Ghost Riders Band Practice 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Exhibit Hall 3

Keynote Speaker Tom Miller 10-11 a.m. Exhibit Hall 2

Solo Get-Together 10-11 a.m. TBA

Vendors Open 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Exhibit Hall 1

 Showcase of Ideas
 10 a.m.-10 p.m.
 Exhibit Hall 3

 Education Sessions
 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
 SCC Level 2, TBA

 Sew and Save
 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
 SCC Level 2, TBA

 Dancing
 10 a.m.-10 p.m.
 Various Halls, TBA

(Square, Rounds, Contra, Clogging, Lines, Youth - time, location will be posted outside rooms, in Dailies and Mobile App)

NEC Archives Room 10 a.m.-5 p.m. & 7-9 p.m. Level 2, Room 204

Gator & Friends Tour

Shreveport City Tour

10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Shreveport/Meet by Tour Booth

Shreveport/Meet by Tour Booth

12 p.m.-2 p.m.

Exhibit Hall 2 (Auditorium)

Various Locations, TBA

Caller/Cuer Reception

2-4 p.m.

Greenwood/Meet by Tour Booth

Exhibit Hall 2 (Auditorium)

Various Locations, TBA

SCC Hilton, TBA

Ghost Riders Band 7-10 p.m. Exhibit Hall 3
After Parties 10-11 p.m. SCC Various Halls, TBA

Campground After Party 10 p.m.-midnight State Fairgrounds RV Park

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Hospitality Rooms	8 a.m10 p.m.	Various Locations, TBA
Tour Booth Open	8:30 a.m4 p.m.	SCC Lobby
Education Office Open	8:30 a.m5 p.m.	SCC Level 2, TBA
Shreveport City Tour	9-11 a.m.	Shreveport/Meet by Tour Booth
Registration Open	9 a.m9 p.m.	SCC Lobby
Ghost Riders Band Practice	9 a.m12 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 3
Bid Session	9 -10 a.m.	SCC Exhibit Hall 2
Solo Get-Together	10-11 a.m.	TBA
Vendors Open	10 a.m10 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 1
Showcase of Ideas	10 a.m10 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 3
Sew and Save	10 a.m5:30 p.m.	SCC Level 2, TBA
NEC Archives Room	10 a.m5 p.m. & 7-9 p.m.	Level 2, Room 204
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Gator & Friends Tour	10:30 a.m3 p.m.	Greenwood/Meet by Tour Booth
Shreveport City Tour	11:30 a.m1:30 p.m.	Shreveport/Meet by Tour Booth
Education Sessions	11:30 a.m5:30 p.m.	SCC Level 2, TBA
Last Square Standing Competition	12-1:30 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 3
Ghost Riders Band	7-10 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 3
After Parties	10-11 p.m.	SCC Various Halls, TBA
Campground After Party	10 p.mmidnight	State Fairgrounds RV Park
Bowling After-After Party Tour (ticket required)	10:30 p.m1 a.m.	Holiday Lanes/Meet by Tour Booth
SAT	URDAY, JUNE 28	
Hospitality Rooms	8 a.m9 p.m.	Various Locations, TBA
Tour Booth Open	8:30 a.m2 p.m.	SCC Lobby
Education Office Open	8:30 a.m3:30 p.m.	SCC Level 2, TBA
Shreveport City Tour	9-11 a.m.	Shreveport/Meet by Tour Booth
Registration Open	9 a.m8 p.m.	SCC Lobby
Ghost Riders Band Practice	9 a.m12 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 3
Solo Get-Together	10-11 a.m.	TBA
Education Sessions	10 a.m2 p.m.	SCC Level 2, TBA
Vendors Open	10 a.m9 p.m.	Exhibit Hall 1

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Fashion Show Practice 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Exhibit Hall 2 **Fashion Show** Exhibit Hall 2 1-2 p.m. Closing Ceremonies/Parade of States Line-Up Exhibit Hall 2 4-4:30 p.m. Closing Ceremonies/Parade of States 4:30-6 p.m. Exhibit Hall 2 Ghost Riders Band 7-10 p.m. Exhibit Hall 3

After Parties 10-11 p.m. SCC Various Halls, TBA 10 p.m.-midnight State Fairgrounds RV Park Campground After Party

<sup>\*</sup>Schedule subject to change. Remember to check your Dailies or the convention's Mobile App for the most up-to-date schedule and room locations. There will also be signs posted outside halls and rooms. \*\*GSI/NSDC Caller's School begins at noon on Sunday, June 22 and ends at noon on June 25.

## How do I find dance schedules?



The 74th NSDC Program Book will contain valuable information related to the Shreveport convention and will make a great souvenir. Included with your purchase of the Program Book will be the pocket-sized Dailies.

Have you ever wondered how to find the National Square Dance Convention® schedule? What is the Program Book, Daily Schedule booklets and the Mobile App? What is the difference?

#### Program Book

The Program Book has dance leader and education presenter profiles, information about the NSDC committee as well as the convention center, upcoming convention promotions, and lots of advertisements and great information. You can look up that inspirational leader, someone to book for dances and where to find dance halls, vendors and food. The Program Book is a wonderful souvenir to remind you of a fantastic NSDC.

Order Program Books through the 74th NSDC's website soon to ensure yours is reserved. There will be a very limited number available at convention. Visit: https://www.74nsdc.com/registeronline. Program Books and Daily Schedules booklets are only available at convention when you register.

#### Dailies

You can find dance leader and education presenter schedules in the Daily Schedule booklets, known as the Dailies. There are three booklets: Wednesday and Thursday are combined with separate booklets for Friday and Saturday. The Dailies schedules

are current when they are printed. These are a handy size to put into your bag or pocket. The Dailies can only be purchased with the Program Book.

Don't forget that schedules, often changed daily, will be posted outside all dance halls and education rooms.

#### Mobile App

Another great way to keep up with schedules and information is with the convention's Mobile Application, otherwise known as App. You can find your favorite callers, events like Last Square Standing, Exhibitions and the Keynote Address, as well as addresses for drug stores, groceries, churches, and restaurants. You can "star" the events you want to attend. and the App will keep track of your preferred schedule. Another positive feature is that the App is updated constantly since it is linked to the up-tothe-minute scheduling computer system.

The mobile App will be available toward the end of June and announced on social media and our website. You will not be able to buy the App on our website. The App will only be available through the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. Once in the store: search 74th NSDC, make sure there is a space between "th" and NSDC (ex. 74th NSDC).

Personal Schedule FOR EXAMPLE ONLY C Dance Leaders and Presenters Registered to Art and Wanda Kruse

Here is an example of the home page from Milwaukee's Mobile App created for the 73rd NSDC in 2024.

Remember, an announcement will be made once the mobile App is available. In the meantime, make sure to order your souvenir Program Book with Dailies!

# Registration announces hours of operation, seeks volunteers

We are still looking for volunteers for two-hour shifts on each day to staff the front table stations handling registration and to help provide items that have been bought by the dancers. To volunteer, contact Assistant Registration and Housing Chairman Cheryl Rush at peppercatt2@gmail.com.

IMPORTANT BADGE INFORMATION: If your preferred name for your badge differs from the formal name you entered on your Registration Long Form (ex. Cindy vs. Cynthia or Bob vs. Robert), email Cheryl Rush at peppercatt2@gmail.com as soon as possible to request this change. No badge re-prints will be made at the convention for dancers unless it was an error made by registration committee members.

Registration will be located on Level 1 of the Shreveport Convention Center at the bottom of the first set of escalators on the left side of the hall in front of the convention "ticket" booths.

Days and hours of operation for registration will be:

Tuesday 12-9 pmWednesday 10-9 pmThursday 9-9 pmFriday 9-9 pmSaturday 9-8 pm

CONVENTION REGISTRATION HOURS

We will have eight stations with lines for New Registrations, Last Names A-Z, and Dance Leaders/ Guest Visitors.

You do not need your yellow ribbons to check in. As you come to registration, look for the line that meets your status. You will provide your name, receive your bag/packet of items and sign for them.

Badges will have pins attached and those who ordered magnets will have magnets, along with an alcohol wipe, in the packets so that you can put the magnet on the badge in the position you prefer.

Magnets will be available for purchase for new registrations.

Name badges will be made for new on-site registrations only. As a reminder, no changes will be made to name badges for dancers unless the error was made by registration committee members. There will be pens and markers available for anyone wanting to add or make changes to their issued badge.

## **WANT TO VOLUNTEER?**

We need smiling volunteer faces to help us have the best National Square Dance Convention® ever! Many of the volunteer positions can be accomplished sitting, so while you are taking a break from dancing, please consider donating an hour or two of time. You can message one of the 74th NSDC Chairman listed below and they can help you find the right position to fit your interest or need.

#### WAYS AND MEANS

We need assistance to help sell Convention merchandise; Raffle table; 50/50 (split the pot) raffle. Interested? Email Business Chairman Tom Carlson at bulldogtom@att.net.

#### CLINICS

Clinic directors needed to ensure the room is properly prepared, all materials are available, collect statistics (number of participants, number of people observing, etc.), close the session. More info? Contact Nelda Eaton at EatonSDCaller@gmail.com/call 903-278-8068

#### REGISTRATION

The registration area would like help with check in. Call Assistant Registration & Housing Chairman Cheryl Rush at (251) 222-4495 or email peppercatt2@gmail.com.

#### HOSPITALITY

Information Table - Convention Center & Hilton Hotel; Workers' hospitality room; International hospitality; Solos hospitality. Contact Wanda Kruse at wandakruse50@gmail.com.

#### **CEREMONIES**

Parade of States - Signs & Line Up. Message Michael Streby at Michael.Streby@gmail.com.

#### WEDNESDAY NIGHT SPECIAL EVENT

We need Hosts & Escorts, Tables & Decoration Set-Up. Contact Rachel Rose at tours74nsdc@gmail.com.

#### **FASHION SHOW**

Ushers are needed! Email Fashion Show Organizer Rachel Rose at tours74nsdc@gmail.com.

#### **EDUCATION PROGRAM**

Clinics & Seminars are calling for greeters/monitors for presentations & to collect statistics; the NEC Archives Room & Showcase of Ideas need monitors; the Sewing Session Room requires support of sewing activities such as Make & Take, Pattern Tracing & Mending. For more information, message Education Chairman Bonnie Abramson at bisquaredance@gmail.com.

#### **WAYS VOLUNTEERS CAN HELP AT 74TH NSDC**

Contact Alitia Becker, 74th NSDC Assistant General Chairman, details, if contact person is not listed above, email alionbecker@bellsouth.net.



### **Come Dance**

The 74th National Square Dance Convention® at the Shreveport Convention Center on June 25-28, 2025 will feature square dancing, rounds, contra, lines, clogging, and exhibition groups. Dance to the nation's top callers, cuers, dance leaders and even a live band. Keep the dancing going at exciting After Parties! Make new friends and renew old friendships. Make sure to visit the vendors and maybe even pick up some new dance attire or 74th NSDC memorabilia. And take advantage of numerous educational opportunities to help improve your dancing or even learn a new dance style!



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Did you know Shreveport was once home of the Cradle of the Stars? Elvis Presley and Hank Williams, and many others, got their start from the stage of the Shreveport Municipal Auditorium on *The Louisiana Hayride* radio show! Visit the headquarters of the American Rose Society and the 100+ acres of roses, flowers and woodlands at the American Rose Center Garden. Discover the renowned Botanical Garden at the R.W. Norton Art Gallery and view gorgeous wild Sunflowers along the Sunflower Trail and Boom or Bust Byway. Shreveport also features numerous historic homes, buildings and districts to explore.



## Wild Side

Is it adventure you crave? Check out the Shreveport Aquarium, Barksdale Air Force Base Global Power Museum, Sci-Port Discovery Center and try your luck at the six casinos in the Shreveport-Bossier City area. Still not adventurous enough? Zipline over alligators and race around the high-performance go-cart track at Gators & Friends. Need to feed your appetite? Tempt your tastebuds with a Cajun or Creole dish the state is renowned for including Beignets, Shreveport-style stuffed shrimp, The Muffy, shrimp and seafood Po-Boys, red beans and rice, seafood gumbeaux, crawfish, 'gator bites and icebox pie.



## at Shreveport

Register at www.74thNSDC.com

Join the 74th National Square Dance Convention®'s Facebook group to keep up with all the latest news and events!

## Come Camp on the Wild Side

Camping accommodations for the 74th National Square Dance Convention® are available at the State Fair of Louisiana, located at 3701 Hudson St. in Shreveport. Each site (\$35 nightly) is roughly the same site with full hookups, including water and sewer with 30 or 50-amp connections. The 200-site campground is 4.6 miles from the Shreveport Convention Center. There is no bus shuttle service to the convention center. Parking is available at the convention center for \$4 per day (in/out) and at the nearby Sam's Town and Bally's Casino Resorts. The 74th NSDC has rented the campground's air-conditioned hospitality building for our campers to have a place to meet and socialize and there are restrooms with showers onsite. (The campground is currently undergoing renovations, which will be completed in time for the 74th NSDC!)





To the Camping area take 20 West of exit 16A, Hearne Avenue and State Fair Grounds , 4.6 miles from the convention center. From the camping area, simply take 1-20 East and exit 19A and north to Caddo Street for the Convention parking structure or right at Fanin to dead end at Chyde Fant Tor free parking at either Sam's Town or Bally's Casino parking.

An aerial view of the State Fair of Louisiana grounds in Shreveport shows campground sites highlighted in green (pictured above). Also depicted is a map showing parking areas. Be aware there may be height restrictions.

Register for the 74th National Square Dance Convention® and secure your campsite today!

#### **RESERVATIONS**

Assignments will be made in order of <u>COMPLETED REGISTRATION</u> form received: https://www.74nsdc.com/register-online. You can not register to camp if you have not registered first for the 74th NSDC. Sites must be booked through the 74th NSDC Registration & Housing by <u>May 1</u>, 2025 to guarantee pricing.

Site reservations will be coordinated through the RV and Camping Vice-Chairmen Dan and Vicki Hatfield, vhat@cox.net. Reserve your RV and Camping using the online form found at our website https://www.74nsdc.com/housing. Requests for Group Camping must be received by Jan. 2, 2025.

No reservations or payments can be made at the Fairgrounds, you must have registered and paid for your RV camping site either by mail, in person with one of our team members, or online through the website: https://www.74nsdc.com/housing.

# ATTENTION SQUARE DANCERS WHO LIKE TO CAMP

If you are planning to camp at the
74th National Square Dance Convention in Shreveport,
Why not come early and party with us?
You are invited to a

JUNE 19, 20 & 21 2025



67<sup>th</sup> NSDCA
INTERNATIONAL
CAMPOREE

## Square Dance Bash on the Bayou

That's right. We're having a Camping & Dancing Party right at the

Shreveport Louisianna Fairgrounds

Squares, Rounds, & Lines, Dance Workshops, Campfires, Games, After parties, and some good "Cajun Eatin"!

Hold on there...here's the really good part...

You don't have to move your camper

YOU WILL ALREADY BE AT THE NSDC CAMPING VENUE.

"Just 4 miles from Shreveport Convention Center!"

Contact: Susan Wolford 256-673-0170 or Email: 67th.nsdca@gmail.com or visit our Website: NSDCA.org

## 74th NSDC Opening Ceremonies

Wednesday, June 25, 2025 Starting at 7:30 pm Exhibit Hall 2



## **Andy Allemao**

**Master of Ceremonies** 

Doug & Don Sprosty
Square Dancers' Prayer



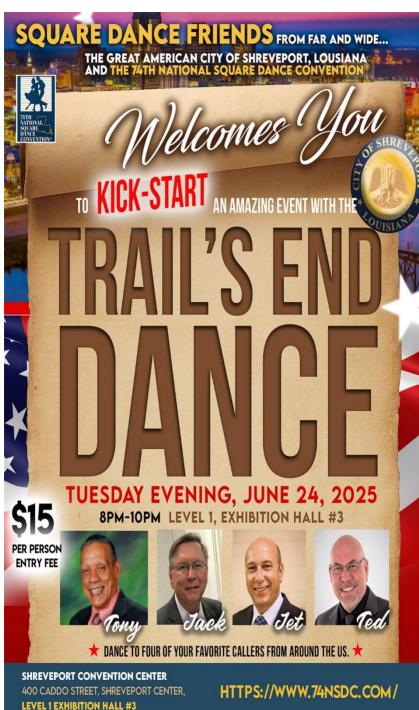


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## **Barksdale AFB**

**Honor Guard** 

**Media / Editor Recognition Event** 







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74th National Square Dance Convention®

## TRAIL END ROUND DANCE

Wednesday, June 25, 2025

Come join us for an evening of round dancing to start our convention off on the

Wild Side!



### **Shreveport Convention Center**

Ballroom B, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor • 8 pm to 10 pm

Sponsored by The Red River Rounders Round Dance Club Bossier City, LA





#### THE FOUNDATION

For the Preservation and Promotion of Square Dancing



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 2025 8:00 PM TO 10:00 PM

CALLERLAB CALLERS



SHREVEPORT CONVENTION CENTER LEVEL 2 – BALLROOM A



The purpose of the Foundation for the Preservation and Promotion of Square Dancing is to support the funding of projects which will preserve and promote square dancing. These projects help protect the activity and contribute to its growth.

The Foundation is registered with the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(C)(3) corporation.

All donations to The Foundation are tax deductible.

## You're Invited to the...

## 74th National Square Dance Convention®'s

## **Campground After Parties**

#### WHERE?

Louisiana State Fairgrounds, 3701 Hudson St, Shreveport, in Campground Hospitality/Activity Building

#### WHEN?

Wednesday thru Saturday, 10 pm - Midnight



## FEATURED CALLERS?

Joey Duhamel from Louisiana, Phil Moorehouse from Arkansas, All callers are invited to call!

#### MORE INFO?

Contact Joey Duhamel, JDCalls@yahoo.com

## Why should you Camp on the Wild Side?

- Newly renovated campground Only \$35/night for full hookups
- Shower facilities on-site
- 24-hour security
- Entire facility is fenced
- · Less than 10 minutes from Shreveport Convention Ctr.
- Exclusive camping: the 74th NSDC has the campground under contract during the convention, sites during convention week will be reserved strictly for the 74th NSDC
- · Air-conditioned hospitality room for meet and greets, plenty of room for After Parties

Sign up for the 74th NSDC at https://www.74nsdc.com/register-online,
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Then register for a campsite at https://www.74nsdc.com/housing.
For campsite questions, contact RV & Camping Vice-Chairmen
Dan & Vicki Hatfield at vhat@cox.net.

## It's Party Time!

Extend the fun! Join the 74th National Square Dance Convention® in Shreveport, LA, for one or all of these great After Parties!

#### **THURSDAY AFTER PARTIES - JUNE 26**

Square Dance 10-11 PM \*SCC, Level 1 Live Band Hall 3

Sponsor: 75th NSDC (Waco, TX) and 76th NSDC (Loveland, CO) Round Dance 10-11 PM

SCC, Level 2 Exhibit Hall 2 (Round Dance Hall)

Sponsor: 75th NSDC (Waco, TX)

Youth Party

10-11 PM SCC, Level 2 Round Room (Youth Hall)

Sponsor: 74th NSDC (Shreveport, LA)

\*\*Campground Dance

10 PM-12 AM LA State Fairgrounds Hospitality Bldg

#### FRIDAY AFTER PARTIES - JUNE 27

Square Dance

10-11 PM

SCC, Level 1 Live Band Hall 3 w/Ghost Riders

Sponsor: United Square Dancers of America (USDA)

Round Dance

10-11 PM

SCC, Level 2 Exhibit Hall 2 (Round Dance Hall)

Sponsor: Association of Round, Traditional, and Square Dance (ARTS)

\*Campground Dance

10 PM-12 AM LA State Fairgrounds Hospitality Bldg

\*\*\*Bowling After-After Party 10:30 PM-1 AM Holiday Lanes (Requires purchased tour ticket) Sponsor: 74th NSDC (Shreveport, LA)

#### **SATURDAY AFTER PARTIES - JUNE 28**

Square Dance

10-11 PM SCC, Level 1 Live Band Hall 3

Sponsor: 77th NSDC (Bidding City)

Round Dance

SCC, Level 2 Exhibit Hall 2 (Round Dance Hall) 10-11 PM

Sponsor: 76th NSDC (Loveland, CO)

\*Campground Dance

10 PM-12 AM LA State Fairgrounds Hospitality Bldg

\*Shreveport Convention Center, 400 Caddo St., Shreveport, LA

\*\*Louisiana State Fairgrounds, located at 3701 Hudson St., Shreveport, LA Campground After Parties will be held in the Activity/Hospitality Building.

\*\*\*After-After Party tour ticket includes bowling with Elvis, shoes, ice cream and snack bar, karaoke, and more. Ample parking at Holiday Lanes, shuttle will be available for additional \$5 between the Shreveport Convention Center and Holiday Lanes, 3316 Old Minden Rd, Bossier City, LA



#### rooms & dance halls upstairs. The wood floors will be furnished by Bob Bahrs Dance Floor

74th NSDC DANCE FLOORING Dance flooring will be concrete in two exhibit

halls downstairs with floating, hardwood in ball

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## STAY POWERED UP AT THE 74TH NSDC

Make sure you stay connected while at the 74th National Square Dance Convention\*. Battery running low on your cell phone or other devices? The Shreveport Convention Center has self-service charging kiosks powered by chargeFUZE located throughout the facility for your convenience.

Each station has approximately 45 portable chargers available with micro-USB, USB-C, and Lightning cables compatible with all iPhones, Androids, tablets, select laptops and headphones. A rental fee does apply. Most devices should fully charge in an hour or less. The kiosks can be easily seen in the convention center's hallways, but one can download the chargeFUZE App to quickly locate a charging station within the convention center.

#### How does it work?

- 1. Use your device to scan the chargeFUZE kiosk's QR Code, follow the easy instructions to eject a portable charger.
- 2. Charge your device on the go. The rental rate is \$2 per 30 minutes up to \$40 max.
- 3. After charging, return the charger to any chargeFUZE station in the convention center.

Source: FUZE Technology



There are portable chargers available from kiosks in the Shreveport Convention Center like the one above for a small fee. You can charge your cell phone and other devices on the go and return the charger to any of the chargeFUZE kiosks throughout the convention center.

## Security measures will be in place during 74th NSDC

The Shreveport Convention Center, like other large venues, has safety measures in place. Everyone entering the convention center will be wanded and bags searched EACH TIME you enter as no weapons (including pocket knives and scissors) are allowed. Plan on a little extra time at the security checkpoint stations, clear bags will expedite the process.

There will be two (2) entrance stations available for your convenience. The first will be located on the first floor inside the main entrance just past the rotunda near the escalators. The second will be located on the second floor at the entrance from the skywalk.

Please remember the convention center is also a no-carry zone. We appreciate your understanding.



## Hearing Assistance Devices available at 74th NSDC

Would you benefit from a Hearing Assistance Device? Here's how they work. A transmitter is placed on the caller/cuer stage in each dance hall. You wear a FM receiver that has the capability of changing channel frequencies and there is an earpiece that plugs into the receiver you are wearing. You control the volume. There is no background noise, just the caller or cuer's voice.

These devices are available for free during the 74<sup>th</sup> NSDC with a \$50 required REFUNDABLE deposit. You can pre-order your reservation for a Hearing Assistance Device using the Registration Long Form. The devices will then be available for pick up in the Ways and Means area at the convention. There will be signage at the convention directing you to Ways and Means. The deposit will be refunded back to you upon return of the device.

If you would like to have your own personal device, we will have brand new in-the-box units for purchase for approximately \$25 each. The device would be yours to keep and it would work with any hearing assist broadcast that uses an FM signal, which most do. To inquire, stop by the 74<sup>th</sup> NSDC Ways and Means table during the convention.

DATE:

Friday, June 27

TIME: 12 - 1:30 p.m. until there's only one square left!



Level 1, Exhibit Hall 3 (Variety Hall)

CALLERS: Jet Roberts & Charlie Robertson

# Get a square together for the exciting Last Square Standing Competition at the 74th NSDC in Shreveport, LA!

#### HERE'S THE COMPETITION SQUARES RULES:

- All individuals of the group (each square) must be registered for the 74<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention<sup>®</sup> and wear an official convention badge.
- A Competition Registration Form can be picked up at the Dance Leader Coordination Room on Level 1 in Exhibit Hall 3 (Variety Hall) where the competition will take place one hour before the competition begins. Each group must submit a completed form prior to competition start.
- The Competition Registration Form will require the name of the group, the name of the group leader, the names of the eight dancers, and the name of the 9th person to serve as an Event Judge.
- 4. There will be one practice tip at 11:30 a.m. in Exhibit Hall 3. It is recommended that the group practice during the DBD sessions. Please refer to the daily schedule in case of any change in location and time.
- The competition will be called at the Mainstream program according to the CALLERLAB list.
- The contest will consist of two parts. The first heat will be a timed event. The final heat will be judged as last man standing using a prerecorded tape.

- All contestants must check in prior to the practice tip which will begin at 11:30 a.m. in Exhibit Hall 3 (Variety Hall).
- 8. You will not be assigned the Judge you brought. At the end of each session, the Event Judge will rotate to a new square. Your Event Judge should be impartial and is encouraged NOT to be a close friend, family member, dance partner, fellow club member, etc.
- 9. The first heat is a timed event. There will be three 10-minute sessions with a short break in between. During this session, the amount of down time will be clocked by an Event Judge. The winner will be the group with the least amount of downtime. Down time starts when the square breaks down and will end when (1) the square starts dancing again, (2) the square is in proper dance position, and (3) that sequence ends, and the dancers return to their home position. (Proper dance position will be two couple facing lines along the side walls with a beau to the left of the belle).
- 10.At the end of each session, the down time will be recorded on your team's score sheet. At the end of the heat, the group's score sheet will be submitted to the Event table. Scores will be tallied.
- 11. The number of groups moving to the final round will be determined at the start of the competition and will be dependent upon the number of submissions.
- 12. The final heat will be "last man standing" and will use a prerecorded tape. Each group will square up and the recorded caller will start easy and get more difficult. When a square breaks down they will be timed until they start dancing or return to proper dance position. If they are not dancing or in proper dance position for longer than 10 beats of music, they will be given a yellow card. If the square keeps dancing but does not resolve at home correctly, they will receive a yellow card. On the second breakdown they will be given a red card and eliminated from the competition.
- 13.Groups must agree to stop dancing and leave the floor if a judge gives the red card, even if you disagree with the ruling. Groups should move toward the judges table for additional instructions and for final awards.
- 14.In the event of a tie during the final heat, the team with the lowest time during the first heat will be awarded first place.

Dancers are encouraged to wear accepted square dance attire.

#### WANT SIGN UP INFORMATION OR HAVE QUESTIONS?

Contact Tom Davis, 74<sup>th</sup> NSDC Vice Chairman of Square Dance, at <u>TomD55@live.com</u>.

A registration form will be available soon.

(Source: United Square Dancers of America, Publication IS-067, www.usda.org)

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# The 74th National Square Dance Convention® has 'jawsome' education programs in 2025

There will be approximately 30 different seminars offered to help grow your clubs and for personal enrichment!

While you are working on your education goals, sign up for the Leadership Certification Program to earn your leadership certificate. Program requires attendance at 2 mandatory sessions, 4 core sessions and 2 elective sessions. You have up to 4 years to complete the plan, enrollment not required to attend any of the sessions in our great lineup!

#### Here are just a few of the topics\* to be offered this year:

- · Marketing Tools available through ARTS
- · Programs available through ARTS
- · What to expect in Waco at the 75th NSDC
- · Navigating the 74th NSDC
- · The ABCs of hosting a National Convention
- · So You Want to be a Cuer
- · What to do in Case of Emergency
- · How to be an Insurance Coordinator
- Tool Kit for Club Leaders (USDA)
- 501c3 Group Exemption Program (USDA)
- · Competitive Square Dancing at the Senior Olympics
- Theme Dances
- · An update on CALLERLAB's "The Proposal"
- · Calling for a College Square Dance Club
- · Starting & Maintaining a Home School Square Dance Club
- · Exhibition Square Dancing: Creating, Recruiting & Running an Exhibition Team
- · Creating Interesting Print Advertising & Colorful Flyers
- · Social Media Facebook, Snapchat, Instagram & more...expanding your reach
- CALLERLAB & ContraLab are putting several programs together
   \*Topics subject to change, additional information will be forthcoming soon

For more information, contact Education Chairman Bonnie Abramson at bjsquaredance@gmail.com Register for the convention today at www.74NSDC.com



**Education Goals!** 

## The wild side of education: classes for seasoned dance leaders and newbies

This year the Education Committee for the 74<sup>th</sup>
National Square Dance Convention<sup>®</sup> in Shreveport will when the offering 13 classes for callers or those who want to be new dance leaders.

CALLERLAB is offering 10 classes specifically for callers and those interested in learning to call. Dancers are also welcome to attend. These classes are:

- 1 So You Want to be a Caller
- 2. Theme Tips: Teaching Tips, Workshops, and Extended Applications for Enjoyable Dancing
- 3. How to Use Music to Better Sell Your Dance
- 4. The Mechanics of Great Teaching: How to be an Effective Teacher
- 5. Showmanship Microprogramming a Tip
- 6. Basic Sight Calling Moving Dancers from Point A to Point B with Purpose
- 7. How to be an Effective Club Caller
- 8. Use of Music Develop Your Singing Call
- 9. Dancers: Smoothness, Styling & Etiquette
- 10. Modular Calling Your New Best Friend

In addition to these classes, several callers have created classes of their own.

- •Patty Greene and Erin Byars will be offering "Add Pizazz to Your Dance."
- •Ted Lizotte will be presenting "Creating a College Square Dance Club." Ted is the caller for Tech Squares at M.I.T and has often been asked how to start and maintain a similar group. Come hear his advice.

•Matt Barnes, a caller from Texas, will be talking about "Starting and Maintaining a Home-School Club." Matt started a club for teens, the "H-Town Squares," and now also has a young adult group, "Market Street Squares," whose dancers aged out but still wanted to have their own club.

Check out future issues of *National Squares* e-Magazine for the schedule of all Education Classes, including the classes above. To get the most out of the Convention, read over all the dances, workshops, exhibitions, and educational classes and prioritize what you want to do. It is possible to dance, attend dance workshops, watch exhibitions, and take classes to increase your calling skills and/or your skills as a club leader all in three full days. You CAN do it all!



# New education classes being offered at the 74<sup>th</sup> NSDC in Shreveport

The Education Committee for the 74th National Square Dance Convention<sup>®</sup> in Shreveport is excited to announce the addition of six new classes. They are:

1. <u>Emergency Intervention for a Fallen Dancer</u> - This class will discuss what the emergency interventions are for a dancer who has fallen. It will list the responsibilities of dancers, callers, and observers as well as what to do and what not to do.

2. Square Dancing Around Social Media Marketing - In this class on social media marketing for the square dance community, you'll learn effective strategies to build and engage an online audience, promote events, and strengthen the presence of square dancing on social platforms. You will explore platform-specific techniques for Facebook and Instagram, focusing on creating content that resonates with both seasoned dancers and newcomers. By the end of the class, you'll be equipped with the tools to grow your dance group's visibility, increase participation, and create lasting connections within the square dance community.

3. Exhibition Square Dancing - Square dance exhibition

groups flourished in the past but only a handful remain active.

This session will explore the "care and nurturing" of an exhibition dance group based on the experiences of those actively involved in two current groups: the California Heritage Dancers and the River City Riders. Leaders will share their group's purpose and focus; how the team got started; and the benefits and challenges of maintaining a successful group. The session will also discuss the process and benefits of becoming a 501(c)(3) charitable and educational organization as well as ideas for fundraising to support the group's operations and travel. The River City Riders will have a horse costume for participants to see up close.

- 4. Starting and Maintaining a Home-School Club If you are interested in starting a square dance club for home-schooled teens and young adults this is the class for you. Matt Barnes will share how he started "H-Town Squares," a home-school based square dance club for teens and one of the largest square dance clubs in Texas as well as a club for young adults called "Market Street Squares." He will discuss recruitment and retention for both clubs as well as feedback he has received from some of his dancers as to how existing square dance clubs might attract and retain teen and young adult dancers.
- 5. <u>Creating a College Square Dance Club</u> MIT has had a square dance club since 1967. In their 58 years of existence, they have had only four callers. The longest, tenured caller is their current caller, Ted Lizotte, who has been calling for the club since 1997. During this presentation, Ted will discuss the basics of how Tech Squares functions today as a club and within the confines of the college where they dance. If you've ever asked yourself if trying to get a dance club at a school or university is for you this may be the session for you to attend.

6. Competitive Square Dancing at the Huntsman World Senior Games - Did you know that you are an ATHLETE and can compete at the Huntsman World Senior Games as a square dancer? It's true! In addition to one morning of competition, there are four days of square and round dancing to national callers and cuers. Competition in square dancing is OPTIONAL! In this class you will find out all about the Huntsman World Senior Games, the rules of competition, and experience what competition is like by participating in our "Competition Demo." Learn how you can win your GOLD MEDAL!

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## Got the shopping bug while at the 74th NSDC?

## Check some of these area shopping malls



- Mall St. Vincent, 1133 St. Vincent Ave., #200, Shreveport: features approximately 50 retail stores and restaurants including Dillard's, H&M, Bath & Body Works, Footlocker, Victoria's Secret, and Shoe Dept. For more information and a store directory, go to <a href="https://www.mallstvincent.com">https://www.mallstvincent.com</a>.
- •Pierre Bossier Mall, 2950 E Texas St., Bossier City: includes over 35 retail stores and restaurants such as Dillard's and JC Penney, Bath & Body Works, Victoria's Secret, Forever 21, Aeropostale, Claire's, Hallmark Gold Crown, Prestige Men's Wear, and Shoe Dept. For additional details go to https://www.pierrebossiermall.com.
- •Shoppes at Bellemead, 6535 Youree Dr., Shreveport: visit more than 20 shops, local boutiques and restaurants, including eateries Casa Cantina, Chicken Salad Chick, Buttercups Cupcakes; and national retailers Chico's, J. Jill, J Crew Factory, Merle Norman, Sonoma Intimates, White House Black Market, and Talbot's. See store information and hours at https://shoppesatbellemead.com.
- •Louisiana Boardwalk, 540 Boardwalk Boulevard, Bossier City just across the Red River from the Shreveport Convention Center: check out the outlets and major stores along the boardwalk including Bass Pro Shops, Bath & Body Works, Carter's, The Children's Place, Under Armour, Build-A-Bear Workshop, Rack Room Shoes, or catch a movie at Regal Cinema. Dine at Joe's Crab Shack, Hooters, Sushiko Sushi & Grill, or Saltgrass Steak House, grab some ice cream at Cold Stone Creamery or indulge your sweet tooth at The Chocolate Crocodile. For details go to <a href="https://www.louisianaboard-walk.com">https://www.louisianaboard-walk.com</a>, to access the movie schedule visit <a href="https://www.regmovies.com">https://www.regmovies.com</a>.



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#### LOCATION Exhibit Hall 1



#### **HOURS**

Thursday-Friday 10 am to 10 pm Saturday 10 am to 9 pm

Check out the "jawsome" vendors who have already signed up for the 74th National Square Dance Convention® in Shreveport, LA on June 25-28, 2025! Whether you are seeking new dance clothing or shoes, a distinctive piece of jewelry, badges, accessories, dance leader material or more, stop by the vendor area to "Shop on the Wild Side" in the Shreveport Convention Center. We do have a few exhibition booths available for additional "jawsome" vendors. For more information, contact Rod and Kathy Busby, the 74th NSDC vice chairmen for vendors, at kebusby2001@yahoo.com.

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#### **ROUND DANCE CLINICS**

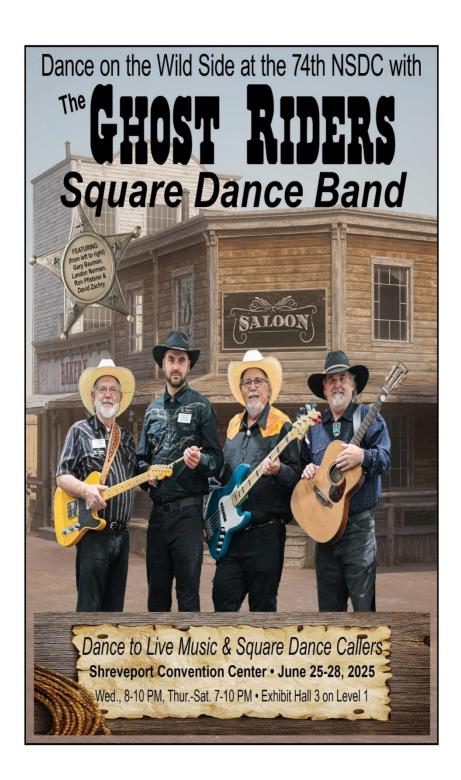
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Body Mechanics (Phase 2/3)
Bolero (Intro, Phase 4, Phase 5)
Feathers Make a Foxtrot (Phase 3/4)
Picture Figures (Phase 3/4; Phase 5/6)
Foxtrot (Phase 5)

#### SQUARE DANCE CLINICS

Intro to Mainstream (MS) Dance By Definition (DBD)
Intro to Plus
Intro to Plus DBD
Intro to Advanced Dancing
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Intro to MS Hex Dancing
Intro to Plus Hex Dancing
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Intro to Kaleidoscope Squares

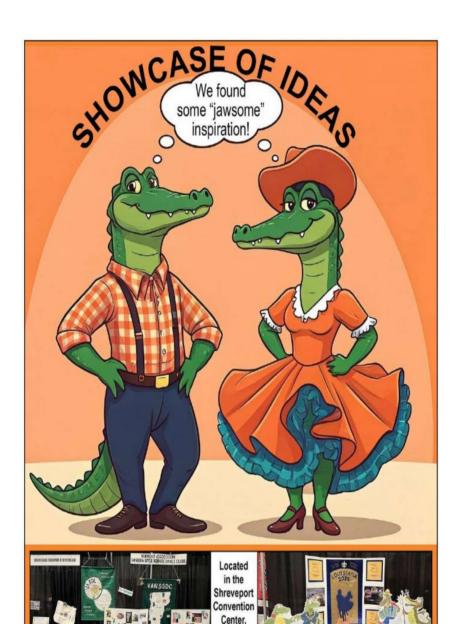
Vice-Chairman for Clinics Nelda Eaton is looking for volunteers to serve as Clinic Directors during the 74th National Square Dance Convention®. The primary duties of these directors will be to introduce the clinician and count the number of participants and spectators. If you are available during the mornings and/or afternoons and would like to help, contact Nelda at 903-278-8068 or via email at EatonSDCaller@gmail.com. The 74th NSDC will be held June 25-28, 2025 in the Shreveport Convention Center.

Intro to Sicilian Circle





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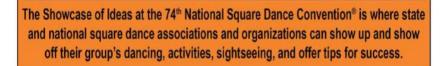


Exhibit Hall 3

## DENNIS SWANBERG

Comedian and Motivational Speaker

Wednesday, June 25, 2025

**Showtime:** 

6-7 PM

Optional Dinner:

4:30 PM

Tickets:

Show Only

\$30 pp w/Catered

Meal

\$60 pp

# IMPORTANT RESERVATION INFORMATION:

Dinner reservations
can be made up
to 30 days prior
to convention.
Show tickets can be
purchased until
4:30 p.m. on

Wednesday, June 25, day of show. No limit on show seating.

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## Shreveport Convention Center

For more info on the 74th National Square Dance Convention® visit www.74NSDC.com

Tickets can be ordered using the Registration Long Form

# The 74th NSDC Presents DANCE ON THE WILD SIDE FASHION SHOW Saturday, June 28, 2025 I pm to 2 pm

Auditorium in Exhibit Hall 2



## Pa and Ma Gator's 2025 **New Year's Resolutions**



#### THIS YEAR WE WI

- Attend the 74th NSDC June 25-28, 2025 in the Shreveport Convention Center
- Dance to the Ghost Riders Square Dance Band
- Meet up with old friends at the 74th NSDC
- Make new friends at the 74th NSDC
- Attend Wednesday night special event with Dennis Swanberg
- Dance in each hall at the 74th NSDC
- Attend the keynote address with Tom Miller
- Spend at least a couple of hours exploring the convention city
- Try at least one Cajun or Creole dish
- Attend the Organizational Roundtable
- Watch at least one dance exhibition group
- Participate in an education class
- Buy at least one item from a vendor at the 74th NSDC
- √ Participate in a group tour
- √ Dance to a new-to-us caller or cuer

Buy a raffle ticket for chance to win a quilt or purchase an item from the Ways & Means table What are your New Year's Resolutions? We hope it includes a trip to the 74th National Square Dance Convention®! Register at www.74NSDC.com and Dance on the Wild Side!



#### Live music In the Contra Hall



As our fund-raising continues for Live Music in the Contra Hall you may wonder how calling to live musicians is different from calling to recorded music. Here is an article by Dottie Welch about calling to Live Musicians!

#### Important Characteristics of Contra Music

- It is very important for the "eights" to be clear in order for the caller to prompt appropriately and the
  dancers to know when to start the next call. The band might be able to make subtle adjustments to
  help define the eights. Sometimes it is better to find a different piece of music.
- The music should be played at a comfortable dancing speed, which is about 105 to 125 beats per minute. Some figures require slower music than others. At slower speeds the dancers may add some extra bounce.
- The caller needs some way to signal the band to increase or decrease the tempo if needed. A good
  contra band takes note of the choreography and puts the emphasis where you need it.

#### Selecting Appropriate Music

- The caller should test the choreography ahead of time by dancing the sequence to various types of recorded music. The common options are reels, jigs, marches and polkas. Some bands also play jazz, swing tunes or ragtime melodies.
- The standard structure is a named piece of music composed of two melodies (Part A and Part B) that are each 16 counts long. Melody A is played twice and then Melody B is played twice to make the 64 counts of a typical contra dance. Musicians new to contra dancing need to know this because some pieces of music include more than two melodies, do no repeat twice, or have other variations.

#### Starting and Ending the Action

- There are various ways bands begin and end, so the caller should discuss this with the band leader.
- Four Potatoes" (four notes in time with the beat) is simple and works well if the caller only needs to say one or two words. For more complex choreography, the caller should tell the dancers to be ready to do the first action when they hear "go" or another appropriate word.
- · Ideally, the length of the lines will allow every couple an opportunity to be "active."
- In order to have as many as possible dancing the final sequence, it should be when an
  active couple is dancing at the top. Signal one more time near the B2 just before a new
  top couple becomes active.
- If you are signaling for two more times, the first of those times has the couple at the top inactive, so signal near the end of B2 just as they arrive at the top.

#### Introductions and Thanks

- The organizer of the event will usually introduce both you and the band, but, if not, it's your job to introduce the band. Make sure you know what the band calls itself or all their names if you introduce them individually.
- · A nice touch after a tip is "Give yourselves a great big hand -- and don't forget one for the band."

#### Destination: Room 205!

Centra ; Bance Dance with us at the 74th NSDC in Room 205! We'll have a full day of contra dancing and clinics and then live music in the evening.



<-- Donate for Live Contra Music!

## DANCE, DANCE, DANCE

Join the 74th National Square Dance Convention® in the Shreveport Convention Center on June 25-28, 2025 for the biggest party of the year and dance to some of the world's elite Dance Leaders! Here's who will be in Shreveport!\*

## DANCE LEADERS CLOGGING

Lanita Hammett Alice Havel Brenda Jordan Cathy Michaels Jodi Rodden

## CONTRA CALLERS Lissa Bengtson

Gary Chamberlain Betsy Gotta Deanna Palumbo John Roby Dottie Welch Wavne Weston

#### **ROUND DANCE CUERS**

Tony & Carolyn Ahart
Fred & Linda Ayres
Russ Booz
Walter Brewer
Erin Byars
MaryAnn Callahan
Earle & Carol Collins
Paul & Barbara Connelly
Patrick & Cherie Cox
Gary Dean & Julie Skead
Gene & Anita Eckley
Tim Eum & Shirley Ray
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Tom & Shirlee Feneis
Cathy & Fred Fisher

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Paul Taylor

David & Jan Toms

Richard & Nancy

Mary & Bob TownsendManning
Kenneth & Cindy
Vantiger
Dennis Viscanti &
Elaine Mikenas
Jerral & Marilyn
Waguespack
Peggy Weisensel
Chavey
Tom & Terri Wilaby
Elaine Wintrow
Don & Susan Wolford

## SQUARE DANCE CALLERS

Andy Allemao Joe Arnold Avery Arnold Bob Asp Matt Barnes Dan Bebernes Larry Belcher Scott Bennett Teresa Berger Carole Blair Russ Booz Curt Braffet Mike Bramlett Shawn Brown Scott Brown Victoria Bundy Ken Burke Bruce Busch

Brad Caldwell Elisa Carlucci Pat Carnathan Gary Chamberlain William Chase Dan Clairmont Travis Cook Ed Crowley Tom Davis George Dawkins Sue Dellere Dee Dee Dougherty Joev Duhamel Nelda Eaton George Ferguson Holly Ferreira Mark Fetzer Robert Furr Bill Garrison Skip Gates Donna Gellenbeck Jerry Gilbreath Ron Giuliana Mark Givens Mike Gormley Betsy Gotta Patty Greene John Harden Nathanial Harden Nick Hartley Gregory Hatmaker Jay Henderson Fric Henerlau

Jeremy Butler

Dianne Hicks	Tom Manning
Gary Hicks	Larry Marchese
Bill Hinkley	Glenn Martin
Myron Hollatz	Jimmie Mac McAr
Lottie Hummel	Patrick McBride
Bill Hunt	Ron McMurdy
K.O. Jeanes	Tim Merino
Barry Johnson	Elaine Mikenas
Anita Johnson	Bear Miller
Lawrence Johnstone	Tom Miller
Vernon Jones	Lisa Minton
Shauna Kaaria	Phil Moorehous
Ted Kennedy	Tom Nickel
John Kephart	Steve Ocskasy
Harlan Kerr	Tony Oxendine
Jack Kirchgatter	Leroy Parker
Roy Kirkland	Philip Peak
Keith Klix	Wayne Pelmea
Jamey Klix	Charlie Petrea
Jim Lindenfeld	Jack Pladdys
Ted Lizotte	Dan Preedy

Tom Manning	Jason Raleigh
arry Marchese	Ken Ritucci
Glenn Martin	Jet Roberts
nie Mac McArthur	Charlie Robertson
Patrick McBride	Tim Rogers
Ron McMurdy	Glenn Rogerson
Tim Merino	Justin Russell
Elaine Mikenas	Dan Sahlstrom
Bear Miller	<b>Gary Sanders</b>
Tom Miller	Ray Savell
Lisa Minton	Mike Seastrom
hil Moorehouse	Keith Shelby
Tom Nickel	Mike Sikorsky
Steve Ocskasy	<b>Tony Simmons</b>
Tony Oxendine	Dean Singleton
Leroy Parker	Amanda Skidmore
Philip Peak	Dale Smith
Vayne Pelmear	Don Sprosty
Charlie Petrea	Doug Sprosty
Jack Pladdys	Jamie Stewart
Dan Preedy	Harue Swift
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Check the 74th NSDC Dailies & Mobile App upon arrival to find your favorites, make sure to select some new ones, too, they might just become your next fay! \*List is subject to change

## Come Dance on the Wild Side!



#### ATTENTION DANCE LEADERS

If your name is not on the above list, make sure to contact a dance vice chairman:

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Inthmmtt13@gmail.com

CONTRA - LISSA BENGTSON

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ROUNDS - FREY AYRES

gocfred48@gmail.com;

SQUARES - TOM DAVIS

tomd55@live.com



## Registration for tours is open!

Registration for the 74th National Square Dance Convention®'s tours is now open. You can pick from six exciting options to explore our convention city of Shreveport, LA and the surrounding area.

Make your reservations as soon as possible. Tours not meeting minimum numbers by May 15 may

be cancelled.

To make a reservation, go to https://74nsdc.cloudreg.us. Click on the tour(s) that you would like more information on and then scroll down for the tour(s) details. You can make reservations for all your tours at once. Choose your tour date, select the quantity (number of persons registering for the tour), read and checkmark the Terms of Service, submit your payment information, and then click on "Submit Registration." It's that easy! If you have questions, please email Tours74NSDC@gmail.com or you can view the brochure at https://www.74nsdc.com/tours.



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## 74TH NSDC TOURS



- SHREVEPORT CITY TOUR Take a two-hour tour of Shreveport's history and culture on an air-conditioned coach bus.
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- HISTORIC NATCHITOCHES Visit historic Natchitoches, the oldest existing former French colony.

- . DOWN ON THE FARM Take a trip with us to Morell Dairy Farm for Jersey milk, chocolate milk and butter. Learn how to milk the cows!
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#### **BOWLING AFTER-AFTER PARTY**

- \$40 per person June 27, 10:30PM 1AM, Holiday Lanes
- Unlimited bowling and shoes, Arcade available, Luau theme Prizes!
  - Snacks, ice cream sundae buffet, cash bar
  - Ample parking OR busing for \$5

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## 74th NSDC Closing Ceremonies

**Featuring the California Heritage Dancers** 



Enjoy the Passing of the Torch to the 75th NSDC and their unique information skit

# Closing Ceremonies Saturday, June 28, 2025 Exhibit Hall 2

Parade of States line-up begins at 4:30 pm Ceremony starts at 5 pm





## Where in the world are Allie & Gator?

The 'gator family of mascots from the 74th National Square Dance Convention® have logged over 130,000 miles and visited 25 states thus far in their 3-year journey toward the NSDC in Shreveport, LA, with General Chairmen Ted and Tonia Hofmeister. Where else will they go before June 25-28? Allie & Gator make the best Nav-i-Gators!

Here's where they have made "jawsome" appearances thus far:

Louisiana	Alabama	Kentucky	Iowa	California
Arkansas	Georgia	South Carolina		Nevada
Texas	Tennessee	Illinois	Missouri	New Mexico
Oklahoma	Florida	Indiana	Ohio	Arizona
Mississippi	Virginia	Wisconsin	Kansas	Maine



Join the 'gators and "Come Dance on the Wild Side" in the Shreveport Convention Center!

Register today at https://www.74nsdc.com/register-online

## Purchase Your Raffle Tickets!



## CUSTOM QUILT RAFFLE

First ticket drawn will get choice of one of two beautiful handmade quilts by Karen Gordon, Co-Chairman of the 74th NSDC Services Comm.



Tickets \$1 each or 6 for \$5

## DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY



### MA GATOR RAFFLE

69" plush alligator wearing an official
74th NSDC Square Dance Dress
Tickets \$1 each or 6 for \$5

Drawing to be held at the 74th NSDC in Shreveport
(Need not be present to win,
Will ship to winner anywhere in continental U.S.)

Everybody loves Ma Gator, including National Caller Tony Oxendine (pictured on left) from North Carolina, who also serves on the Executive Committee for CALLERLAB, and Caller Joey Duhamel (on right) from Louisiana, Director of Social Media for the 74th NSDC.

Purchase information: Raffle tickets can be purchased at the 74th NSDC Ways and Means table at a dance near you, email our General Chairman Ted Hofmeister at TedHofmeister75@gmail.com for the 74th NSDC Promotional Tour Travel Schedule or details on how to order tickets. The drawing will be held Saturday, June 28, 2025 at the 74th National Square Dance Convention® in the Shreveport Convention Center. Raffle tickets will also be available for purchase during the 74th NSDC at the Ways and Means table, which will be set up in the main lobby of the Shreveport Convention Center.

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# Shoppin' Gator Style

Allie and Gator do-si-do while you enjoy their merch!



Hook your thumbs in belt loops. Show off this beauty!





You'll be Gator Stylin' in a bolo, vest clip or Allie earrings!

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Boot slapping times in Gator's shirts.

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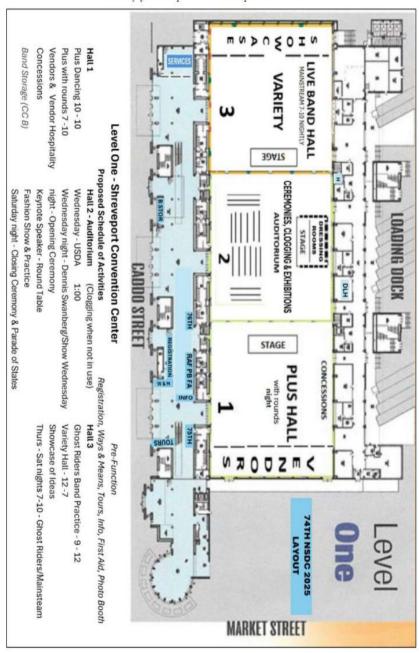


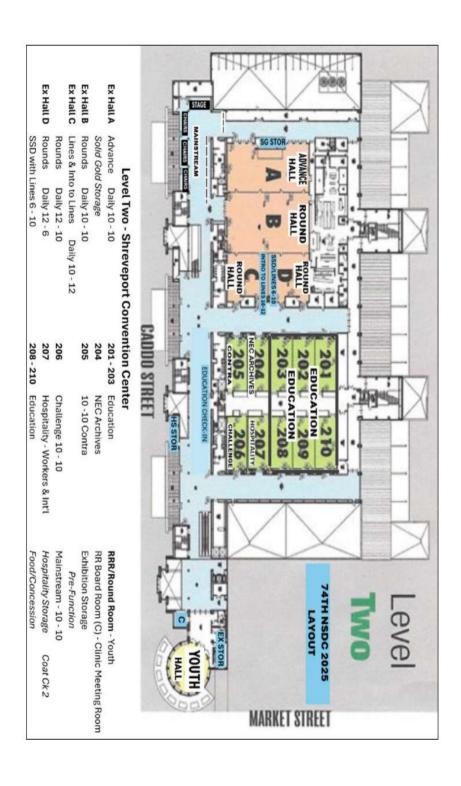
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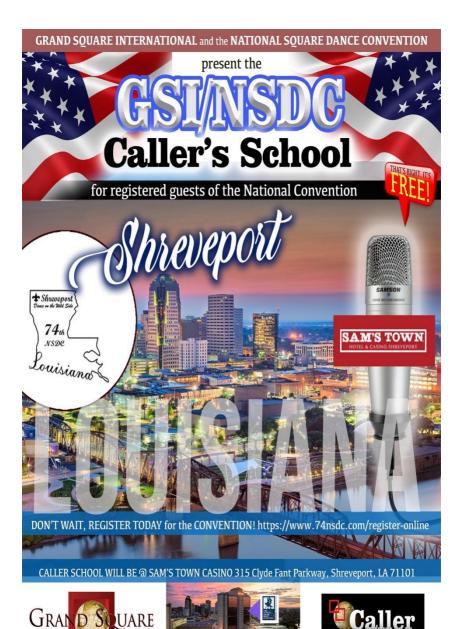
## Shreveport Convention Center – 74th NSDC Spaces

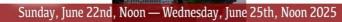
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For the **latest updates** on the 74<sup>th</sup> **NSDC** in Shreveport, LA, you can view or download **National Squares Online** in **PDF** format at <a href="https://nsdcnec.com/national-squares-e-magazine/">https://nsdcnec.com/national-squares-e-magazine/</a> and then click on the desired issue(s). Information for the 75<sup>th</sup> **NSDC** in Waco, TX, will begin with the July 2025 full e-Edition.





The e-Edition is released on the Sunday, after the last Saturday of the month, prior to the month of issue. If the last Saturday of the month is the last day of the month, then the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the month, of the month of issue, is the release date.

You can download the e-Edition (full or compact)), as well as photos from recent Club Special Dances, at the **ASSDF website**, at <a href="https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square.">https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square.</a>
Note that a **PDF viewer is required** to view these files, and the **Special Dance Photos** files noted can be rather large.



#### Club Special Dance Photos In The Last Month

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

Due to **space limitations**, **photo quality**, or **page formatting**, I **can't** use all of them sent in, or from Facebook); but you can view them (and videos, where available) on the various Facebook pages (including the **Arkansas Square Dance** page, **The Three Amigos** page, the **Fall Festival** page, and the **Square Dance Events** group). Also, note that **not everyone** is on Facebook.

The Special Dance Photos for March, 2025, downloadable at <a href="https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square">https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/the-modern-square</a>, were from the emails, Facebook pages, as well as the club and special dances from NORTEX, USDA, SquareDanceUSA, the Louisiana Lagniappe, the 74th NSDC Fundraiser Mardi Gras Dance (both of those held at the Southern Swingers), Maverick Mixers, Heber Springers, Guys N Dolls, and the Twirling Lariats.

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