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- 2. Club reports should be limited to 250 words, if possible.
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and website. Please let us know your thoughts, and if you'd like to serve as an Officer, by contacting any of the Board.



**USDA insurance is due for all clubs in December;** please don't let this important benefit get past you. The insurance is still a great value at only \$5.25 per dancer. Please send in your club roster, plus a check to Sheila Gesing, so your club members will be properly insured. Go to <u>https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/resources</u> for additional USDA info, including info on the USDA \$2500 Youth Scholarship.

**SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL SQUARE DANCE CLUB!** We need club members; with coming out of Covid-19, some members haven't paid in a while. Clubs still must pay for a dance location and caller, no matter how few or many squares are dancing. Even if you are not consistently dancing with a club, please join a club and pay dues, so we can continue dancing! Personally, I think visitor rates may be a little low compared to what I pay when I travel out of state.

ASSDF, during our delegates meeting in October, reached out to clubs that might be in financial distress to help pay for lessons, or even fees such as USDA insurance. Please email me, or any of the officers in the ASSDF if you need financial assistance. Personally, I think every club that is only dancing 1-3 squares should be having lessons twice a year. Are you looking for promotional opportunities to promote square dancing or your club?

Speaking of club promotions, special holiday dances that are coming up include the Heber Springers Christmas Potluck Dance on Dec. 9, the Maverick Mixers Christmas Dance on Dec. 10, the Bluebird Squares "Santa & His Elf" Christmas Dance on Dec. 16, the Twirling Funtimers December Ball Dance on Dec. 21, and the Maverick Mixers New Year's Eve Dance on Dec. 31. For more info, see the Special Events Calendar elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website at <u>http://www.arkansassquaredance.com/events</u>

I know a lot of the clubs have Christmas parties and special dances in December. We only have 5 listed, so if your club is having a special dance, please let Daryl know, so we can help promote it on the ASSDF website. Also, remember to send in your monthly club report!

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

### Ted and Tonia Hofmeister, ASSD7 President, 2022

### 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 <u>https://www.arkansassquaredance.com</u> under **The ASSDF**. If you, your club, or organization isn't listed below, please send an email to <u>assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com</u> with the info.

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

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

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

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### Caller and Cuer Websites:

### Nelda Eaton

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The e-Edition has full color on all pictures and ads. Submitted photos will be published; depending on space, photo quality, plus the number sent in, or from Facebook. It's sent out **before** the print edition, and all of the links are **clickable**. Please advise the Editor if your email, or if your mailing addresses change; as you won't get these again, if either the mailing or email addresses are returned as being "**undeliverable**".

### From The Editor



I hate to be a Grinch, but the November **e-Edition** is **always big**, from **ASSDF Fall Festival** photos, plus other dances. Except for 12 photos sent in last month, and 6 this month, the rest were from the various club Facebook pages. Not every club or dancer is on Facebook, and it's the club's choice if they don't want to send in anything, or post items on Facebook; but no one outside your club will know what's going on, otherwise. If only sent in photos are used, the e-Edition would be much smaller. I'm thankful for the 6 club reports that were sent in this month.

The weather has also been Grinch-like; our thoughts and prayers to all those who were affected by the swarm of tornadoes on Nov. 4, 2022, with over a dozen of those in Arkansas.

As for **lessons**, as of this issue, classes are noted for **3 weeks after the class start date**; then the listing's **removed** from the **ASSDF website** (<u>https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/new-dancers</u>), as well as from **The Modern Square**, until new class info is received. Please see the

lessons info elsewhere in this issue, with what's required for the listing. Classes are our lifeline to keep the hobby alive.

Several **holiday dances** are scheduled this month, but there are also some **dance cancellations**. Please **call before you travel**...and if weather's an issue, or if you feel ill on a dance night, please stay home.

With all the pictures from Facebook this month, I just used photos from the Halloween Dances that were from the River City Squares, Maverick Mixers, Twirling Funtimers, and Pioneers; the graduation dance from the Twirling Lariats, and recognition of 5 dancers who are veterans at the Maverick Mixers Nov. 12 dance. Thanks go to Jody King, Jerry and Ginny Short, Carolyn Birdsong, Anieta England, Ted and Tonia Hofmeister, Kim Fox, Mike Hammett, & Becky Hestand for the photos. Other photos from Facebook will go into the January, 2023 e-Edition.

**ASSDF Club Dues** and **USDA Dancer Insurance** for 2023 are due, and, the **USDA Youth Scholarship deadline** is Feb. 1, 2023; go to <u>https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/resources</u> for more details.

The **ASSDF** wishes everyone a happy holiday season.

### Daryl Stout, Editor, Webmaster, Circulation Chairman

Please notify the Editor if your contact info as a caller or cuer, or your club contact, regular or special dance, or lesson info, is wrong; so it can be corrected. If your print or e-Edition of The Modern Square bounces back due to a bad address, you won't get them anymore, until the updated info is received. Do not have someone else contact the Editor for your info, or it could take longer to fix. The only time that the info should be sent in "second hand" is if someone has died, so the subscriptions can be canceled. The deadline for all items is the 14<sup>th</sup> of the month, before the month of issue, at 9pm US Central Time.

### **Before Traveling, Call Ahead First!!**

Last Minute cancellations can occur. Calling ahead avoids you making the trip for nothing.

If bad weather is an issue, or if you don't feel well, please stay home !!

Maverick Mixer Christmas Dance

Saturday, December 10. 2022 7:00 to 9:00 PM

American Legion Hut Leah Lane/Mann Road in Mabelvale

Admission \$5.00

Caller: Phil Moorehouse

In lieu of a gift exchange we will be accepting donations for the Ronald McDonald House. The Bluebird Squares Presents the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Dance featuring Santa Claus and his Elf



Callers: Phil Moorehouse and Carolyn Birdsong

Saline County Fairgrounds 406 Fairfield Road -- Benton, Arkansas December 17, 2022 7pm to 9:30pm

\$8 per person Including Carolyn's Famous Taco Soup

Each dancer will receive a special gift

Contact Carolyn (501) 813-7239

Ring in the new year with the Maverick Mixers At our New Year's Eve Dance!

Dance will be held at the American Legion Hut (Leah Lane & Mann Road) in Mabelvale.

Phil Moorehouse will be calling!

7:00 to 9:00 PM on Saturday, December 31, 2022.

Admission \$8.00 at the door!



The Amigos Three In 23 Saturday, Jan. 7, 2023 - 7pm to 10pm - \$10 per person

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

Callers: Joey Duhamel, Phil Moorehouse, Gene Gancarczyk





### Little Rock Maverick Mixers

Valentines Dance Celebration

February 13, 2023

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

### Join us at the American Legion Hut

9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale, AR

### Featuring National Caller Jet Roberts



\$10 per person (Non-dancers will be admitted free). Mainstream with announced Plus. Everyone is welcome!! If you have any questions, please contact Ron Wise (870-267-0702) or Lanita Hammett (501-889-4679).

### Where are your special events?

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

National Square Dance Convention® (NSDC)				
2023 - June 21-24, 2023	Host City: Mobile, Alabama			
2024 - June 26-29, 2024	Host City: Milwaukee, Wisconsin			
2025 - June 25-28, 2025	Host City: Shreveport, Louisiana			
2026 - June 24-27, 2026	Host City: To Be Announced			

Registration forms for the **2023 NSDC** are elsewhere in this issue. Links to upcoming **NSDC** websites are located at <u>https://nsdcnec.com</u>

**National Squares e-Magazine** is published monthly (except for July) in the interest of the **NSDC**, by the host city of the upcoming **NSDC**; starting with the August issue prior to that particular convention, and going through the June issue of the month of said convention. Go to <u>https://nsdcnec.com/national-squares-e-magazine/</u> to view thumbnails of the last 10 issues, then click on the desired one to view, download, or print the PDF file, directly from your web browser.

Topics covered include Registration/Housing forms, Callers School (prior to the Convention), badge ribbons, Solo Dancers (unmarried or without a partner), program books/schedules (daily & total), additional purchase items & souvenirs, dance facility map, Trail-End Dances, the Wednesday Night Dinner & Show, Special Dancing And Workshops, Restaurants, Hotels, Tours, Travel Options, Places To Visit, Various Committees, Info on Upcoming **NSDC**'s, First Aid Info, Educational Forums, Fashion Show, General Information Booth, & much more.

### 72ND NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION® PRESENTS

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### Tony Oxendine, Jack Pladdys & Jet Roberts 13+ HOURS OF DANCING - \$50\* PER PERSON

\*with advanced registration or \$60 per person at the door

FRIDAY DEC 30TH & SATURDAY DEC 31ST

Mainstream with announced Plus Rounds by Tim Eum



BSDA Friendship Hall, 1024 Old Walker Chappel Hill Road, Fultondale, AL

For more Information & to Register Online visit www.72nsdc.com/NYE2022





### **NEW YEAR'S BENEFIT DANCE**

Both Friday & Saturday Nights

### **REGISTER ONLINE at www.72nsdc.com/NYE**

### 13+ hours of amazing dancing to 3 of the best callers in the Nation

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30TH

7:30 - 8:00 Early Rounds with Tim Eum 8:00-10:00 Mainstream with Plus Tips

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31st

10:00 - 11:30 Mainstream Workshop 11:30 - Noon Plus Dancing 2:00 - 3:30 Mainstream Dancing with Workshop Materials 3:30 - 4:00 Plus Dancing 8:00 - 8:30 Early Rounds with Tim Eum 8:30 - 12:00 Mainstream with Plus Tips

### PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Primary Last Name:			First Nam	e:	
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City:			State:	Zip Code:	
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Registration Prices			\$50.00 each x	= \$	
Cash Received \$	Check#	(Pa	y to 72nd NSDC)	Total Due: \$	
Credit Card Type	123522836	Card #		CHARLENSCOM	
Expiration Date: / Authorized Card Signatu	Security Code	Name o	of Cardholder		

### DANCE LOCATION

BSDA Friendship Hall 1024 Old Walker Chapel Road Fultondale, AL 35068

### HOST HOTEL

Fairfield Inn & Suites Fultondale/I-65 1795 Morris Avenue Fultondale, AL 35068 205-849-8484 (call for booking link) \$159/night Rate expires December 6, 2022



WOODEN DANCE FLOOR

IF REGISTERING BY MAIL: 72nd NSDC NYE, 4433 32nd St SW, Lanett, AL 36863

### **Special Events**



**Please call before traveling**, to check for last minute cancellations. If you're not feeling well, or if weather's an issue, please stay home. Info on Club Contacts, plus Callers and Cuers are elsewhere in this issue.

Clubs that are **DARK** aren't noted in the cancellation listings, or in the Google Events calendar at <u>https://www.arkansassquaredance.com</u> (the ASSDF website). Please send info on out of state festivals to the Editor at <u>assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com</u>

### DECEMBER 2022

### Dec. 9, 2022 – Heber Springers Christmas Potluck Dance.

Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West, Rosebud, AR. Time: 7pm. Caller: Phil Moorehouse

**Dec. 10, 2022 – Maverick Mixers Christmas Dance**. American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane),

Mabelvale, AR. Dance at 7pm. \$5 per person. Caller: Phil Moorehouse. In lieu of a gift exchange, donations will be taken for the Ronald McDonald House. See the flier elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website for more info.

**Dec. 17, 2022 – Bluebird Squares Santa & His Elf Christmas Dance**. Saline County Fairgrounds, 406 Fairfield Road (Exit 116 and I-30), Benton, AR. Dance at 7pm. \$8 per person. Featuring Carolyn Birdsong's Taco Soup. Every dancer will receive a special gift. Callers: Carolyn Birdsong and Phil Moorehouse. See the flier elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website for more info.

**Dec. 21, 2022 – Twirling Funtimers December Ball Dance**. Loyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lanes, Lakeview, AR. Time: Rounds at 6:30pm, Squares at 7pm. Caller: Donna Gellenbeck

Dec. 23, 2022 – Heber Springers plus Levi's And Lace are DARK tonight.

Dec. 24, 2022 – Maverick Mixers are DARK tonight.

Dec. 26, 2022 – Pioneers are DARK tonight.

Dec. 30, 2022 – Twirling Lariats are DARK tonight.

**Dec. 31, 2022 – Maverick Mixers New Year's Eve Dance**. American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road, and Leah Lane), Mabelvale, AR. Dance at 7pm. \$8 per person. Caller: Phil Moorehouse. See the flier elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website for more info.

**Dec. 30-31, 2022 – 72<sup>nd</sup> National Square Dance Convention** ® **New Year's Eve 2022 Benefit Dance, Fultondale, AL**. See the flier and registration form elsewhere in this issue, on the ASSDF website. Info at <u>https://www.72nsdc.com/nye</u>

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

### FEBRUARY 2023

Feb. 11, 2023 – Maverick Mixers are DARK tonight.

**Feb. 13, 2023 – Maverick Mixers Valentine's Special Dance**. American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale, AR. Dance at 7pm. \$10 per person. Mainstream with announced Plus. Caller: Jet RobertsSee the flier elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website for more info.

### **MARCH 2023**

March 24-25, 2023 – East Texas Square And Round Dance Association Spring Festival. Marshall Civic Center, 2501 East End Blvd. South, Marshall, TX. See the flier on the ASSDF website for more dance and lodging info.

### JUNE 2023

June 21-24, 2023 – 72<sup>nd</sup> National Square Dance Convention (®, Mobile, Alabama. Info is at <u>https://www.72nsdc.com</u> plus a registration form is elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website. July 27-29, 2023 – Heart Of America Single Square Dance Association (HASSDA) Dance, Springdale, AR. Trail-End Dance July 27. Callers: Bob Asp, Charlie Robertson, Jet Roberts. Cuers: Cathy and Fred Fisher. See the flier at <u>http://www.wesquaredance.com/HASSDA\_Festival/</u> or on the ASSDF website for more info.

**July 31, 2023 – Summer Nights Dance,** Sponsored by the Star Steppers, White Hall, AR (Exact location and Time TBA). Caller: Jet Roberts. A flier will be posted on the ASSDF website as soon as possible.

OCTOBER 2023

Oct. 12-14, 2023 – 73<sup>rd</sup> ASSDF Fall Festival, Mountain Home, AR (Trail-End Dance Oct. 12).

### **JUNE 2024**

June 26-29, 2024 – 73<sup>rd</sup> National Square Dance Convention ®, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Info at <u>https://73nsdc.com</u>

### OCTOBER 2024

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

### **JUNE 2025**

June 25-28, 2025 – 74<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention ®, Shreveport, Louisiana. Info at <u>https://74thnsdc.com</u>

### **Club Reports**

### **Maverick Mixers**

December member and visitor birthday yellowrocks go to Alana Clagg; there are no anniversary yellowrocks that I'm aware of...sorry if I missed anyone. On a sad note, condolences to the family of onetime Maverick Mixers member Theresa Myers, in the recent loss of her husband, Stanley West.

Just over a square was at our Oct. 22 dance, with guest callers Ron Wise & Nelda Eaton, helping our own Phil Moorehouse with the tips. Then, hot chili, hot patter, and over 3 squares of dancers helped warm things up from the cold, stormy night of our Chili Bash/Monster Mash Dance. Thanks to the other callers who also joined us; several photos from that dance are elsewhere in this issue. Of note on the costumes, was the Heber Springers as Snow White And The 7 Dwarfs, and Jean Cox as "a fork in the road"!!

At our Nov. 12 dance, we recognized 5 dancers who have served their country. They are Stan Stander, Ron Wise, Phil Moorehouse, Jerry Short, and Rick Gesing. A hearty **THANK YOU** to these, and all those who have served their country. A photo with club Treasurer Lanita Hammett, recognizing them, is elsewhere in this issue.

Be sure to call before you travel, in case of any last minute changes or cancellations. Note that we're **DARK** on Dec. 24 for Christmas Eve, but we'll have a **New Year's Eve** Dance on Dec. 31. See the flier elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website for details.

We're planning to start lessons on Tuesday, Jan. 10, at 7pm. If you know someone wanting to learn to dance, contact Lanita Hammett at (501) 889-4679.

Don't forget our special **Valentine's Dance** on Monday, Feb. 13, with Jet Roberts – see the flier elsewhere in this issue for details. We'll be **DARK** the previous Saturday, Feb. 11.

You can also find pictures/videos from recent dances on our Facebook page; thanks to Jerry and Ginny Short, among others, for the pictures

and videos.

Happy Holidays from the Maverick Mixers!!

### Daryl Stout

### **River City Squares**

A Great Big Thank You to all our dancers! You guys always go the extra mile, to help create a fun experience! A special shout out to CJ, who has been dancing with us, and helping us carry equipment in and out, sweeping the floor, or whatever needs to be done, for many, many years. We thank you CJ (Charlie)!!!

Thanks to all who came (whether in costumes or not), and thanks for all the yummy treats! We had a blast, and we hope that you did, too. Several photos from our Oct. 25 Halloween Dance are elsewhere in this issue. And, in the Halloween Dance group photo...notice the top, center guys: Zorro was getting his ears checked by Dr. King. (My favorite costume was the butterfly, with BJ the clown "targeted" as a close second. DS).

At our Nov. 1 dance, we were "dancing the night away!". It was nice to have Jim and Dana Christian, plus their son and daughter-in-law with us. Jim and Dana, and their son are former square dancers, and we're so glad they're joining us. And, on Nov. 8, we entertained the residents by dancing at the Peachtree Village Retirement Center.

### Jody King

### **Twirling Lariats**

We're so happy to announce that we graduated 5 new students in October, and all of them attended the ASSDF Fall Festival. Our new dancers are Erin Baxter, Andrea and Chris Hooten, Ellen and Mike Lewis. A big thank you to Phil Moorehouse and Joey Duhamel for leading our classes. We plan to start our next class on Jan. 9th, 2023, so if you know anyone in the central Arkansas area that would like to take classes, please contact Carolyn Cullins at 501-847-2157 as she is creating the list of students.

Our club was honored to have Gene Gancarczyk call for us on Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>. It was a small dance, but we had a ton of fun. I know everyone is busy, but I'd like to encourage you to support your clubs and I can assure you'll have a great time. Our remaining dances for 2022 are Dec. 2 and 16; we'll be **DARK** on Dec. 30.

Roger Garner

### **Star Steppers**

Fall is here! Isn't the weather great!! I love the change in seasons and all the beautiful colors. With limited rain it was short lived here in south central Arkansas but certainly enjoyed while it lasted. The Star Steppers dance on the 2nd and 4th Monday at the White Hall Baseball Fields activity center. Feel free to come join us. Phil Moorehouse is our caller.

Halloween was an exciting night for us, as we started our first set of classes since 2019, and enjoyed some delicious treats at the same time. We hope that our dancers will stay with us all the way through to graduation and beyond, because on July 31, 2023 we will be "Dancing Under The Stars" with the help of the ASSDF and Jet Roberts at the White Hall Community Center. More details to come after the first of the year.

We hope everyone has a Happy Thanksgiving, and safe travels if you will be on the road visiting family and friends!! Keep joy in your heart and square dancing on your mind wherever you go because I am sure you can find a square dance club dancing close to your destination!

### Rick and Sheila Gesing

### **Twirling Funtimers**

In seed time learn, in harvest teach, in winter enjoy. - William Blake

English Poet 1757-1827 -- How true.

Our Square Dance club promoted, recruited, taught throughout the year. Now we invite you to enjoy the start of the winter season and the fruits of our labor. Come meet our new students who now, also share our love of square dancing. Dress in your fanciest square dance outfit and join us for a gala of square dancing.

We still dance at the Loyd Travis Municipal building at 16 Skyles Lane in Lakeview Arkansas, from 7-9pm. Remember, winter season is upon us with winter driving problems, which can cause us to cancel. So please before you leave, call and check to see if we're still dancing. The Twirling Funtimers wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy and safe New Year.

### Ray and Linda Peacy

### **Bluebird Squares**

May the Christmas angel touch each one of you and your family not only during this holy season but every day. Jesus' most important rule is for us to love one another.

Come on over to the Saline County Fairgrounds December 17th 7:00 to 9:30 for the 6th annual Santa and His Elf Christmas Dance! Come celebrate the Joys of Christmas, with callers Phil Moorehouse and Carolyn Birdsong! There'll be lots of Christmas square dance music and everyone is invited to sing along! We'll also have line dancing, my (in)famous taco soup and each dancer will get a gift; all for only \$8 each! See the flier elsewhere in this issue for more details.

I've come up with an alternate route to the Fairgrounds to avoid the mess on the service road in front...it's noted below this report.

The food and dancing were very good at the Maverick Mixers' Chili Supper/Monster Mash! It's always fun to dance to the state callers and they all sounded great! Loved our very own Pirate Phil, and Snow White, And Her Seven Dwarfs visiting from Rose Bud!

The hummers have left, but now we have the over-wintering birds

coming: White-throated Sparrows, Juncos, American Goldfinches and more! Offering food to the birds for winter is much more important than summer. There's plenty for the birds to eat in the warm seasons but maybe not much when it's cold! If you offer black-oil sunflower seeds and suet, that would be great! But I'm a bird nerd, & offer those two things; except my suet is homemade suet cakes, plus homemade suet dough and homemade bark butter I put in a log. Anyone interested in those recipes, let me know! I'm always happy to share them!

Ya'll come on over and dance and laugh with us!

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Back way directions to Saline County Fairgrounds (Exit 116 & I-30)

From Hot Springs: Turn right on Fairfield Rd, turn left into open gate, drive alongside the fence, and turn next to red building, drive around to the front, and you'll see the Office Building on the other side.

From Little Rock: Go over bridge on South Street. Right on Jefferson. Go several blocks and through a round-about, turn right on Fairfield. Go through the open gate on the right, drive alongside the fence, and turn next to red building, drive around to the front, and you'll see the Office Building on the other side.

### Carolyn Birdsong





The following clubs are doing lessons (square dance, round dance, or clogging) soon. Please contact the person noted for more info. As of this issue, listings will be up until the third night of class; after which, they'll be removed from The Modern Square, and from the ASSDF website under New Dancers, until new class info is received. The info will be at https://www.arkansassquaredance.com/new-dancers

Info needed is club name, class start date and time, location, and a contact person for more info. Please email the class info to the Editor at <u>assdfmodernsquare@gmail.com</u>

Club: Twirling Lariats Class Start Date: Monday, Jan. 9, 2023, 7pm Location: American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR Contact: Carolyn Cullins (501) 847-2157 Comments: Hamburgers and Hot Dogs before the first lessons on Jan. 9,2023.

Club: Maverick Mixers Class Start Date: Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2023, 7pm Location: American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane), Mabelvale (Little Rock), AR Contact: Lanita Hammett (501) 889-4679

### **Club Directory**

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Please advise the Editor if info for the clubs noted, or for the info in the Callers And Cuers section that follows, is wrong; so it can be corrected/updated...as well as advising the Editor if your club is changing their dance dates, times, locations, etc. Lastly, check with the caller, cuer, or club contact for the dance level, if the club has a workshop before the dance, admission cost, and if the club is "couples only" or welcomes singles (not married, or without a dance partner).

### Batesville

Jubilee Squares – 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, 7pm **DARK** Central United Methodist Church, 1205 North Central Avenue Caller: Jimmy Green Contact: Lura Wade, 650 Oak Hill Loop, Batesville, AR 72501 (970) 926-2442

### Benton

Bluebird Squares – 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, 7pm **DANCING** Saline County Fairgrounds, 406 Fairfield Road (Exit 116 & I-30) Caller: Carolyn Birdsong Contact: Carolyn Birdsong, 28912 Bandy Road, Little Rock, AR 72223 (501) 813-7239

### Charleston

Swingin' Cavaliers – Thursdsay, 7pm **DANCING** Hug Chevrolet, 415 East Main Callers: Anita Vandergriff and Ron Keeling Contact: Anita Vandergriff, 8215 Tyro Road, Hackett, AR 72937 (479) 274-9775 Contact: Ron Keeling (479) 629-4736

### Fort Smith

River City Squares – Tuesday, 7pm **DANCING** Fort Smith Senior Center, 2700 Cavanaugh Road Caller: Jay King Contact: Jay King, 1402 North 12<sup>th</sup> 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

### Jonesboro

Pistols N Petticoats – Thursday, 7pm **DARK** St. Paul United Methodist Church, 2201 South Culberhouse Caller: Boyce Brownderville Contact: Bonnie Hallet, 1613 Alonzo, Jonesboro, AR 72401 (870) 932-7740

### Judsonia

Blue Belles And Beaus – 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 7pm **DANCING** Judsonia Community Center, 601 Judson Street Caller: Phil Moorehouse Contact: Robert and Cheryl Shaver, 146 Opie Road, Bald Knob, AR 72010 (501) 724-3930

### Lakeview

Twirling Funtimers – Wednesday, Pre-Rounds at 6:30pm, Dance at 7pm **DANCING** Loyd Travis Municipal Building, 14 Skyles Lane Callers: Ken Jarman (1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday) and Donna Gellenbeck (2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday) Contact: Ray and Linda Peacy, 25713 State Highway 5, Wasola, MO 65773 (417) 543-3788

### Little Rock (Mabelvale)

Twirling Lariats – 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and selected 5<sup>th</sup> Friday, 7:30pm **DANCING** American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane) Caller: Joey Duhamel Contact: Clifton Taylor and Carolyn Cullins, 9027 Highway 5 North, Alexander, AR 72002 (501) 847-2157 Maverick Mixers – 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and selected 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday, 7pm **DANCING** American Legion Post 128, 9925 Leah Lane (Mann Road and Leah Lane) Caller: Phil Moorehouse

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

### **Mountain Home**

Pioneers – Monday, 6:30pm **DANCING** Saint Andrews Episcopal Church, 511 Coley Drive Caller: Roy Hestand Contact: Roy Hestand, 55 Fletcher Street, Mountain Home, AR 72653 (870) 329-1141

### **Rose Bud**

Heber Springers – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday, 7pm **DANCING** Rosebud Community Center, 5916 Highway 36 West Caller: Phil Moorehouse Contact: Theresa Tubbs, 390 Woodvine Trail, Higden, AR 72067 (501) 238-2713

### White Hall (Pine Bluff)

Star Steppers – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday, 7pm **DANCING** White Hall Media Center (Scout Hut), White Hall City Park, 700 Andersen Avenue Caller: Phil Moorehouse Contact: Kathy Tankersly, 703 Whitehead Road, White Hall, AR 71602 (870) 718-0571

### Texarkana (New Boston, TX)

Guys N Dolls – 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, 7pm **DANCING** Old Fellows Lodge, New Boston, TX Caller: Nelda Eaton Contact: Rhonda Bailey, 111 Wood Duck Lane, Texarkana, TX 75501 (903) 276-3422

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### **Birdsong**, Carolyn

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### **Bownderville**, Boyce

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

### **Duhamel.** Joey

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### Eaton, Nelda P.O. Box 1118 New Boston, TX 75570 Home: (903) 628-2425 Cell: (903) 278-8068 M/P EatonSDCaller@gmail.com Guys And Dolls

### Gancarczyk, Gene & Carolyn 249 Songer Lane

Pearcy, AR 71964 (501) 767-6354

### Jarman, Ken

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### King, Jay and Jody

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### Moorehouse, Phil

4660 Stagecoach Road Redfield, AR 72132 (501) 960-4476 philmoorehouse@aol.com M/P Blue Belles And Beaus Maverick Mixers Star Steppers Heber Springers

### Vandergriff, Anita

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### Hestand, Roy

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### Ward, Tommy

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6 Perfecto Place Hot Springs Village, AR 71913 (501) 822-0803 squareup8.yolasite.com white3297@hotmail.com P: Yes

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

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### E-Edition Extras for December, 2022

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 Facebook groups. **Due to space limitations, I can't use all photos** (sent in, or from Facebook); but you can view all of these (and where applicable, several videos) on the various club Facebook pages.

With all the pictures this month, I decided to just use pictures from the many Halloween Dances; from the River City Squares, Maverick Mixers, Twirling Funtimers, and Pioneers...the Twirling Lariats Graduation Dance...and the recognition of 5 veterans at the Maverick Mixers Nov. 12 dance. Thanks to Jody King, Jerry & Ginny Short, Carolyn Birdsong, Becky Hestand, Kim Fox, Anieta England, Mike Hammett, plus Ted & Tonia Hofmeister, for the many photos. I plan to use an assortment of the other photos (plus new ones) in the January 2023 e-Edition. First, several photos from the River City Squares Oct. 25 Halloween Dance...see their club report for details.













In the above photo, look at the top center – Zorro is getting his ear checked by Dr. King!! On the top photo on the next page, the River City Squares would like to send a special shout out to CJ, who has been dancing with them, helping carry equipment in and out, sweeping the floor, or whatever needs to be done, for many, many years. We thank you CJ (Charlie)!!!

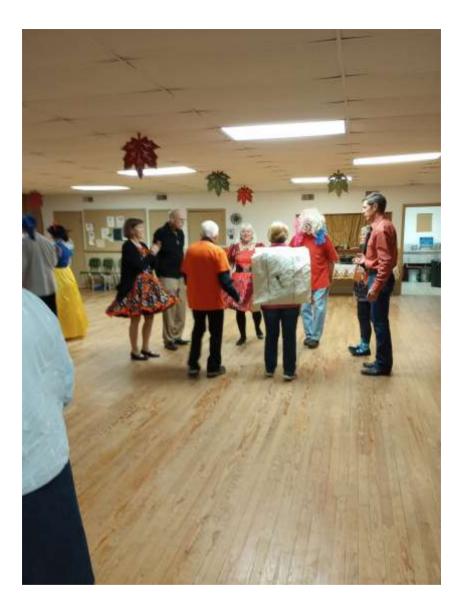






Next, several photos from the Maverick Mixers Chili Bash and Monster Mash Halloween Dance on Oct. 29. See their club report for more details.







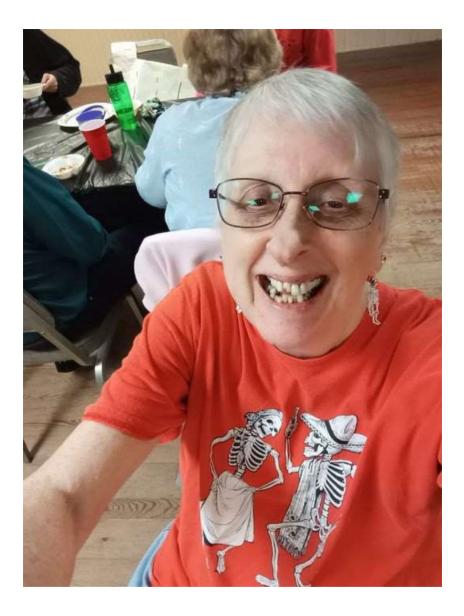
Maverick Mixers Swashbuckling Caller Phil Moorehouse.



A square of the Heber Springers "dwarfing the dance" as Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. They are (from the above photo):

Front Row: Dopey and Bashful. Second Row: Happy, Snow White, Grumpy, Sleepy, and Sneezy. Back Row: Doc.

On the next page, Ginny Short, who takes quite a few photos at various dances.













It looks like Jerry Short is wondering where all the chili went!!

Next, several photos from the Twirling Funtimers Oct. 26 Halloween Dance.













Next, several photos from the Pioneers Oct. 31 Halloween Dance.

























Pioneers Caller Roy Hestand









No tricks, but plenty of treats with the duty square !!



The winners of the best costumes were Carolyn Jarman as Dolly Parton, and Becky Patterson as a scarecrow.

Next, several photos from the Twirling Lariats Graduation Dance, where the new graduates all "banded" together!!







As a prelude to The Amigos 3 in 23 dance on Jan. 7, 2023 (see the flier elsewhere in this issue, and on the ASSDF website for details), we now proudly present (from the Twirling Lariats Nov. 4, 2022 dance), "The Three Amigas"!!

From left to right, they are Lee Connor, Anita Becker, and Kim Fox.



Last, but certainly not least...we want to recognize, and say **THANK YOU** to all those who've served their country over the years; including 5 dancers in attendance at the Maverick Mixers Nov. 12 Veterans Day Weekend dance.

They are (from left to right) Stan Stander, Ron Wise, Phil Moorehouse, Jerry Short, and Rick Gesing.

Maverick Mixers Treasurer, Lanita Hammett, gave a nice recognition to these dancers, and veterans.



Happy Holidays from the ASSDF – see you on the dance floor!! Daryl Stout, Editor, Webmaster, Circulation Chairman