HEART OF AMERICA SINGLES SQUARE DANCE ASSOCIATION

May, 2021 Issue



YEAH, THE 2021 HASSDA FESTIVAL IS ON!

We hope to see you all there on July 30th in St. Joseph, Mo. *Please print and share this newsletter to help advertise.*

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****2021 HASSDA FESTIVAL UPDATES****

HAVE YOU MADE YOUR HOST HOTEL RESERVATION?

HASSDA has received some reports of dancers being on hold for LONG periods of time trying to make reservations at Stoney Creek Hotel & Conference Center, our Host Hotel. We have contacted Stoney Creek and here are 2 ways to get faster/better service.

VIA INTERNET

- 1. Use www.StoneyCreekHotels.com
- 2. Click on **Book Now** in upper right-hand corner
- 3. Select St. Joseph for location
- 4. Select Check Availability
- 5. When the calendar come up, click on **ADD CODE** from the drop-down menu at the bottom of the page
- 6. Select group attendee from the drop-down menu and type in HASSDA
- 7. Click on **update guest and rooms** and you should get to the place where it gives you the \$106 per night room rate and you can make your reservation from there.

BY PHONE:

1. **Dial** the hotel direct at **816-901-9600 Option #2**. This will say Group Sales but it is the option you want. Tell the clerk that answers that you are with **HASSDA** and would like to make a reservation AND NOT TO TRANSFER YOU TO THE 1-800#.

If you still have problems contact Maye Wegner, Festival Advisor, 785-806-8314 (talk or text) or HASSDA-Festival@WeSquareDance.com

 Stoney Creek Hotel & Conference Center 1201 North Woodbine Road St. Joseph, Missouri 64506 800.659.2220

Website: OnLine Booking Code: HASSDA

Interactive Map To Stoney Creek Hotel & Conference Center

Looking for a roommate for the HASSDA Festival? Contact LAURIE STEWARD with SSDUSA at lkstewa@hotmail.com or 507-210-6507.

Tuesday, June 30th: **NEW** Cut Off date for festival pre-registration.

Thursday, July 29th (7:00 pm - 10:00 pm): Trail-End Dance with caller Chris Wildhagen and Connie Graham and cuer Dan Pearson. Held at the St. Peter Lutheran Church, 3524 St. Joseph Ave, St. Joseph MO. \$5.00 donation at door.

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Friday, July 30th (9:00 am - 10:30 pm): Festival begins with a special session with caller Charlie Robertson featuring Intro-to-Hex-Squares, followed with MS/Plus/Rounds/Lines (alternating, as in past festivals) with all callers and cuer (with lunch and supper breaks).

Saturday, July 31st (9:00 am - 10:30 pm) Begin with all level workshops and followed with MS/Plus/Rounds/Lines (alternating, as in past festivals) dancing with all callers and cuer (with lunch and supper breaks).

Attention Newer Dancers & Seasoned Dancers That Just Want To Take It Easy

Be sure to check out the "Smoothie" hall at the Festival. This will be mainstream & plus tips that are geared toward newer dancers and seasoned dancers that would like to dance at a little slower pace. This is a great way for new dancers to get exposure to several different callers. Please note that **NO BOOTS** will be allowed on dance floor in this hall.

ATTENTION: SOLO DANCER

How do you go about getting a partner at a dance? Here are some tips for dancing a lot more tips:

- 1. Get there early. Many dancers plan their whole night of tips at the beginning.
- 2. Don't be afraid to ask. You never know until you ask.
- 3. Display your SOLO and levels of dance proudly! Badges, ribbons, and the like that tell everyone you need a partner and what levels and positions you can dance.
- 4. Be a good dancer and a good listener. You're more likely to be asked again if you prove yourself on the dance floor. The best way to be a top-notch dancer is to dance as often as you can.
- 5. Don't be shy: just be friendly and introduce yourself
- 6. Remember to have a partner before you get on the dance floor don't take a spot that a ready couple could have filled. Take this time to ask someone for the next tip!

Solo Dancers, we have made finding dance partners at HASSDA so easy!

Look for the sign in each Hall.

Solos, please gather around the sign so other dancers will know you are wanting to DANCE DANCE! Already have a dance partner; but they would like to sit one out? *Ask a solo to dance!*

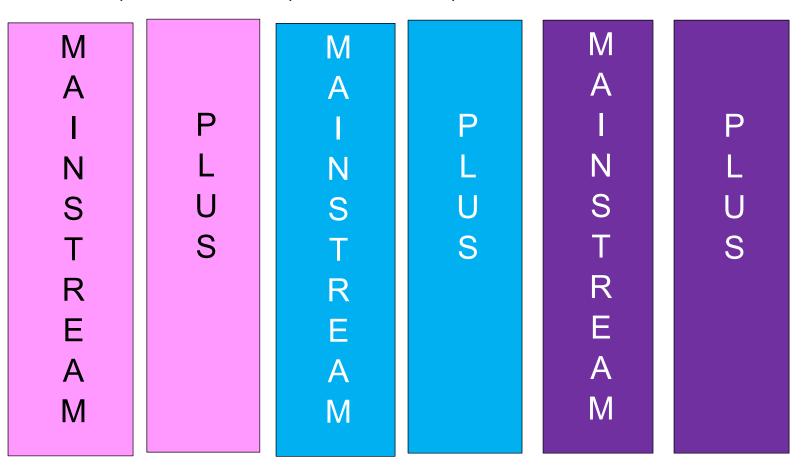


Pick up your RIBBONS at the Registration Desk!

The colorful RIBBONS will let other dancers know you are looking for a dance partner.

The pink, blue, and purple ribbons will let other dancers know what position and level your dancing abilities are.

Making it easier to find just the right partner for the next tip! Pink dances the lady's position, Blue dances the man's position, and Purple dances EITHER position! Ribbon Up and DANCE!



Already have a dance partner? We ask that you wear our Red Partnered Ribbon. Remember you are always welcome to ask a solo to dance if your partner would like to "sit one out".

"Dances With Most Partners Contest"

Heart of America Singles Square Dance Association (HASSDA) focuses on solos dancing! In the past to encourage solo dancers to dance with many different partners we have given a free registration to the next year's Festival to the person that dances with the most partners. (Each tip counts as 1 partner. Each partner may only be counted once per day.) There will be one free registration awarded on both Friday and Saturday night.

DON'T FORGET TO PICK UP YOUR DANCE CARDS AT THE REGISTRATION DESK, as you will need your partner's signature for verification of your lists.

PS. Only Square Dance Tips qualify for the "Dances With Most Partners" contest.

A FEW NOTICES FOR THIS YEAR'S FESTIVAL

- 1. **Covid Restrictions:** The city of St. Joseph, MO <u>does not</u> have any gathering numbers or face mask restrictions at this time. Therefore, face masked are not required, but you are more than welcome to wear them if it makes you feel more comfortable. We will also have plenty of hand sanitizer available.
- 2. **Water Bottles:** We are asking that dancers bring their own covered water bottles (please label with your name so they don't get mixed up). We will have Ice Water stations in the dance halls for refilling.
- 3. **Dance Floor Restrictions:** The "Smoothie/Main Hall" will be a basketball court laid over concrete, so there will be <u>no boots or drinks allowed on this floor</u>. There will be plenty of room around the dance floor in this hall for gathering or resting. The Plus Hall and the DBD/Advance Hall will be tile floors, so there are no restrictions on footwear or drinks in these halls.

We have some great vendors lined up for the 2021 HASSDA Festival

Lost Art Engraving and Calligraphy – Owned by Vicki Hills

She is the new owner of the former North Forty Engraving. If you have badge, bar, or dangle needs, you are in luck!

Heartland Market – Owned by Jackie Lineville of Broken Bow, NE.

She carries beautiful long skirts, tops, vests and other clothing. She has been to many festivals, so we know you are familiar with her wonderful wares!

Please be sure to stop by both vendors and check them out during the festival!

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OUT AND ABOUT

70th National Square Convention June 23-26, 2021 Jackson Convention Center Jackson, MS

Summer Weekend Get-A-Way (with Lanny Weeklend and Mike Hogan) July 16-17, 2021 Johnson, NE HASSDA Trail-End Dance (with Chris Wildhagen and Connie Graham) July 29, 2021 St. Peter Lutheran Church St. Joseph, MO

HASSDA FESTIVAL

(with Scott Bennett, Ken Burke, Charlie Robertson and Carolyn Ahart) July 30-31, 2021 St. Joseph Civic Arena St. Joseph, MO

50th DANCE A RAMA

September 3, 4, 5, 2021 (with Jack Pladdys, Tim Tyl, Tom Davis, Travis Cook, Phyllis & Doug Burdette, Bonnie Lawrence)

Holiday Inn Des Moines Airport, 6111 Fleur Drive, Des Moines, IA 50321

51st Nebraska Annual State Square & Round Dance Weekend September 18-19, 2021) (with Tim Tyl, Deb & Tim Vogt) Adams County Fairgrounds Hastings, NE

SSDUSA's 50th Dance-A-Rama Festival Labor Day Weekend

71st Arkansas State Square Dance Fall Festival October 8-9, 2021 (with Tim Tyl) Four States Fairgrounds Texarkana, AR

62nd Missouri State Festival of Square & Round Dance October 8-10, 2021 (with K.O. Jeans, Paul & Linda Robinson) Kenneth E Cowan Civic Center Lebanon, MO

******* Special Note: With the current Covid-19 pandemic situation, it is recommended that you check to make sure that the above events have not been cancelled. ***********

NOTE: IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO LIST A **SPECIAL DANCE** THAT YOUR SINGLES DANCE CLUB IS HOSTING/SPONSORING, OR IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION ON A **STATE LEVEL DANCE OR FESTIVAL** IN ONE OF THE SIX HASSDA STATES, WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO LIST IT FOR YOU IN THE "OUT AND ABOUT" SECTION. PLEASE JUST EMAIL THE BASIC INFORMATION (IN FORMAT ABOVE) WITH A NOTE TO PLEASE LIST IN THE "OUT AND ABOUT" SECTION TO OUR NEWSLETTER EDITIOR AT

HASSDA-Newsletter@WeSquareDance.com

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SINGLE SQUARE DANCE CLUBS IN THE HASSDA AREA

ARKANSAS

www.theassdf.org

We currently have no singles clubs listed in Arkansas. Know of a singles club in that area? Let us know-we would love to include them!

IOWA

www.iowasquaredance.net

Ankeny Squares: Facility: St Paul Lutheran Church, 1100 SE Sharon, Ankeny, Iowa. 2nd & 4th Sunday's. 2:30 – 5:00 pm. Dancing Mainstream and Plus Star Tips also Includes Round Dancing. www.AnkenySquares.com

Solo Steppers: Every Thursday at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Davenport, IA 7:30-10:00 pm. Website: www.lowaSquareDance.net/solo-steppers Callers: Don and Doug Sprosty and Guest Callers. Cuer: Charlie Swanson.

Triple G Square Dance Club: 2nd/4th Fridays – Mainstream/Plus Dance at Gilbert Elementary School, Gilbert, IA Website: www.lowaSquareDance.net/triple-g-square-dance-club Caller: Guest; Cuer: Guest (515) 450 1677 or (515) 708 3838

KANSAS

www.kansassquaredance.com

Lone Wranglers: 1st/3rd Tuesdays – Mainstream Dance, Riley County Senior Center, 301 North 4th Street, Manhattan, KS. 7:00 – 9:30 pm Caller: Guest Callers. Website: www.Lone.WeSquareDance.com

Heartland Squares/Swingin' Singles: 1st/3rd/5th Tuesdays – Mainstream and Plus Dance, Old Shawnee Town Hall, 11600 Johnson Dr, Shawnee KS. Casual attire. Pre-Rounds 7:00–7:30 Lines/Rounds between tips. 7:30–9:45pm.

Caller Jay Krebs Cuer: Stash Tosio Website: www.Singles.WeSquareDance.com

Shawnee Swingers: One Friday a month – Mainstream/Plus Dance, Croco Hall, 6115 SE Hwy 40, Tecumseh KS (just east of Topeka). Caller: Mike Salerno Cuer Lalla Steenbock. 7:30–10:00 pm. Website: www.Shawnee.WeSquareDance.com or call Carolyn Thomason at (785) 232-6494.

Circle 8 Square Dance Club: 2nd/4th Sundays – Pre-Rounds 6:30 pm, Mainstream/Plus 7:00-9:30 pm. Tri-Center Senior Ctr., 6100 N Hydraulic Ave., Park City, KS, Caller: Guest Cuer: Guest Cuer. Bill or Tammy Gough, 316-371-3991

email Btsgough@cox.net Website: www.Circle8SquareDance.com

Good Time Squares: 2nd/4th Fridays Dances - 7:30-9:30 pm Mainstream 9:30-10:00 pm Plus, Caller: Guest Callers; Cuer: Joe Dawley. Every Tuesday-Mainstream Workshop 7:00 pm with David Myers and Barbara Whitehead, Dawson United Methodist Church, 2741 S. Laura, Wichita, KS Contact: Marcie Myers (316) 990 4549

Wichita Solo's Square Dance Club: 1st, 3rd & 5th Friday Mainstream Dance with plus tips,7:00 pm Dawson United Methodist Church, 2741 S. Laura, Wichita, KS

Contact: Curtis Northrop (316) 737-2618 email crnorthrop@yahoo.com

MISSOURI

www.squaredancemissouri.com

Gateway Squares: 2nd Tuesdays – IAGSDC Dance (Plus and A-2) at St Louis Activity Center, 5602 Arsenal St, St Louis MO. Casual attire. No rounds. 7:15 – 9:00 pm. Singles, same-sex couples and opposite-sex couples all welcome. Callers: Aaron Wells & Guest Callers.

St. Joe Squares: 1st/3rd Fridays-Mainstream/Plus Continuous Dancing, St. Peter Lutheran Church, 3524 St. Joseph Avenue, St. Joseph, MO. Casual attire. Caller: Chris Wildhagen 7:30 – 10:00 pm Contact: Chris Wildhagen 785-806-8314

Website: www.StJoe.WeSquareDance.com

Singles and Doubles: 2nd or 3rd Saturdays & 4th Fridays – MS & Plus-Level Dance. Webster Groves Christian Church, 1320 Lockwood Ave, Webster Groves MO. 7:30 – 10:00 pm. Caller: Guest Callers; Cuers: Guests.

Website: www.Singles.SquareDanceMissouri.com or call Pat Corman at (314) 974 0978

NEBRASKA

www.SquareDanceNE.org

Single Wheelers Squares: 1st/3rd/5th Tuesdays, Mainstream Dance. 7:30 - 9:30 pm. Lifepoint Church, 715 Madison Ave., Norfolk, NE. Website:

<u>www.SquareDanceNE.org/clubs/swheelers</u> or call Gerry and Janet Mansfield (402) 565 4247 or Rick Christenson (402) 371 9276

Heartland Singles Square Dance Club: Alternating Tuesdays – Mainstream Dance. Rockbrook Methodist Church, 9855 West Center Rd, Omaha NE. 7:30 - 10:00 pm. Website: www.SquareDanceNE.org/clubs/heartland or call Diane Krebs at (402) 734 4761.

Belles N Beaus: Alternating Fridays (Sept thru May) – Mainstream Dance. Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 4117 Terrace Dr., Omaha, NE. 8:00-10:30 pm. Website: www.SquareDanceNE.org/clubs/belles. Call Jim & Cathy Bellinger (402) 393 4194 or (402) 639 9228.

Amazing 8's: Alternating Saturdays – Mainstream Dance. Rockbrook Methodist Church, 9855 West Center Rd, Omaha NE. 8:00 - 10:30 pm. Call Bob Welshinger at 402-339-5405. Website: www.SquareDanceNE.org/clubs/amazing

OKLAHOMA

Metro Singles of OKC: 2nd/4th Fridays – Mainstream/Plus Dance. Westside Lions Hall, 4135 NW 10th St, Oklahoma City, OK. Pre-Rounds 7:00 pm. Squares starts 7:30 pm. 3rd and 6th tips are Plus and Advanced will be called after regular dancing ends. Caller: Danny Payne. Cuer: Sonja Savell Jones.

Singles Squares: 2nd /4th Mondays, Mainstream/Plus Dance, 7:00 pm Workshop, 7:30 Dance. Memorial Drive United Methodist Church. 7903 E. 15th St. Tulsa, OK. Caller: Lee Main, Line Dancing between tips. Website: www.nesquaredance.com (918) 343 4455

Recycles: 1st and 3rd Thursday-Mainstream/Plus Dance, 7:30 pm George Horn Hall 8310 E. 15th St. Tulsa, OK. Caller: Monty Hackler Website: www.nesquaredance.com (918) 272 3113

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		ULY 30,2021	
Time	HALL A	HALL B	HALL C
9:00 - 11:30	INTRO TO HEX SQUARES WITH CHARLIE ROBERTSON		
	MAINSTREAM / PLUS / ROUNDS (ALTERNATING)		
1:00 - 4:00 PM	Scott/Ken/Charlie/Carolyn		
	SUPPE	R BREAK	
	SMOOTHIE*/ROUNDS	PLUS/ROUNDS	PLUS DBD/ADVANCE**
7:00 - 8:00 PM	Charlie Robertson / Carolyn Ahart - MIXER PROGRAM	Ken Burke	Scott Bennett (DBD)
8:00 - 9:00 PM	Ken Burke / Connie Graham (Lines)	Scott Bennett / Carolyn Ahart	Charlie Robertson (Advance)
9:00 - 10:00 PM	Scott Bennett	Charlie Robertson / Carolyn Ahart	Ken Burke (DBD)
10:00 - 10:30 PM	Scott/Ken/Charlie/Carolyn	CLOSED	CLOSED
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		JULY 31, 2021	
Time	HALL A	HALL B	HALLC
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9:00 - 10:00 AM	Charlie Robertson	Ken Burke	Carolyn Ahart
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10:00 - 11:00 AM	Scott Bennett	Charlie Robertson	Carolyn Ahart
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	SMOOTHIE*/ROUNDS	PLUS	PLUS DBD/ADVANCE**
1:00 - 2:00 PM	Scott Bennett / Carolyn Ahart - MIXER PROGRAM	Charlie Robertson	Ken Burke (Advance)
2:00 - 3:00 PM	Ken Burke / Carolyn Ahart	Scott Bennett	Charlie Robertson (DBD)
3:00 - 4:00 PM	Charlie Robertson / Carolyn Ahart	Ken Burke	Scott Bennett (Advance)
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6:00 - 6:45 PM	Callers will be available for pictures with dancers ~ Remo		
	SMOOTHIE	PLUS/ROUNDS	PLUS DBD/ADVANCE**
6:45 PM	ANNOUNCEMENTS	CLOSED	CLOSED
7:00 - 7:10 PM	MAINSTREAM (ALL CALLERS)	CLOSED	CLOSED
7:10 - 8:00 PM	Ken Burke / Carolyn Ahart - MIXER PROGRAM	Charlie Robertson	Scott Bennett (DBD)
8:00 - 9:00 PM	Scott Bennett / Connie Graham (Lines)	Ken Burke / Carolyn Ahart	Charlie Robertson (Advance)
9:00 - 10:00 PM	Charlie Robertson	Scott Bennett / Carolyn Ahart	Ken Burke (DBD)
10:00 - 10:30 PM	Scott/Ken/Charlie/Carolyn	CLOSED	CLOSED
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Please Note: If you are unable to print the following flyer to register for the Festival, you are more than welcome to just send a letter with information requested and a check to the attention of Maye Wegner at the address listed on flyer.



HASSDA FESTIVAL

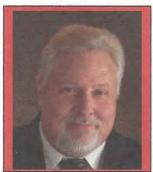
JULY 30-31, 2021

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CHARLIE ROBERTSON



CAROLYN & TONY AHART. cuer

TRAIL END DANCE with Chris Wildhagen and Connie Graham

THURSDAY, JULY 29, 2021 7:00 - 10 pm

St. Peter Lutheran Church, 3524 St. Joseph Avenue, St. Joseph, MO \$5 donation payable at the door

Hosted by Maysville Wranglers and St. Joe Squares

HOST HOTEL: STONEY CREEK HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTER, 1201 N. WOODBINE ROAD, ST. JOSEPH, MO 64506

1-800-659-2220 or www.StoneyCreekHotels.com Online Booking Code: HASSDA

Make your reservations early! Cut-off date for room block is May 30, 2021.

FREE HOT BREAKFAST SERVED DAILY

Name		Phone	
Address	City	StateZip	
Email			
Individual registration - please complete appropriate blanks:		Square Dance Attire Admired, Not Required	
Friday & Saturday All Events Prior to Jun Friday & Saturday All Events payable at 1 One Day/Night includes After Party Individual Square/Round Dance Sessions	he door \$45.00 \$25.00	Cancellation Policy: Full Refund will be given if cancellation notice is received prior to June 15, 2021	
Total individual registration fees enclosed \$		 One-half Refund will be given for cancellation between June 15 and July 15, 2021. No Refund will be given for cancellation after July 15, 2021. All requests for a refund must be in writing or email to HASSDA Festival Contact. 	