



Heart of America Single Square Dance Association

September 2022

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Hello HASSDA Member:

Well, another year's festival is in the books.



We had a nice turnout of 190 dancers (AR-2, CO-3, IA-13, IL-6, KS-37, MD-2, MN-5, MO-75, NE-7, OH-2, OK-12, SD-2, TX-5 and WI- 2) and some really wonderful weather for it. We are hoping to bump up the numbers for

the 2023 HASSDA Festival, so any promotional help while you are out dancing this next year would be greatly appreciated.

There are many thanks that I would like to give for the 2022 HASSDA Festival. Thanks to the St Joseph Civic Arena and the St Joseph Chamber of Commerce staff for all their help. I would also like to thank the St Joe Squares and the Maysville Wranglers for again hosting the festival, their club members worked very hard manning the tables as well as setting up and tearing down. Thanks to the great job that the callers (K. O. Jeanes, Dan Sahlstrom and Jeff Holley) and cuers (Carolyn Ahart and Connie Graham) provided our dancers. And last, but definatly not least, thank you to all the dancers that made the festival such a fun time.

At the General Membership Meeting that took place on Saturday afternoon, there were many items that were voted on, including updated General and Festival By-

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Laws. The amendments proposed to the By-Laws were passed and the amended By-Laws will be posted to the HASSDA website soon. We also held board elections for the 2022/2023 year. There were no new nominees. However, the current board members all agreed to hold their positions for another year and it was voted a yes by the membership that attended meeting. I would like to thank the current board for continuing their roll for another year.

I would really love to see a great crowd for the 2023 HASSDA Festival next July in Springdale Arkansas. Please check out the flyer and Festival Updates included in this newsletter.

Looking forward to seeing you in a square,

Kelly Bockover, President

Congratulate The Winners

This year, there were several opportunities to win

And the winners are:

1. For dances with the most partners....Deacon Kikpatrick from Union Star, MO and Marilyn Berg from Aurora, CO
2. Winning the drawing from the 20+ registrations.....Melissa Hancock from Oklahoma City, OK
3. Winners of "Shop St. Joe".....are Renee Gruntmeir of Edmond, OK and Linda Grindol of Topeka, KS

Everyone was a winner, though since we all had a GREAT time at the Festival!

The HASSDA Board Members:



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CHANGES!

HASSDA is your organization and when you talk the Board listens. There will be a change in the 2023 Schedule. The Advanced Hall will no longer share time with the Plus DBD. That is right Advance Dancers you will have a full time Hall at the HASSDA Festival!

Plus DBD will be moved to the Plus Hall and share time with the Plus dancers. Remember the Smoothie Hall also has Plus dancing every 4th tip so there will still be plenty of opportunities for the Plus dancer to get in lots of Plus dancing at every level.

Mainstream dancers will be in the Smoothie Hall as always. This Hall will be monitored closely to keep it a Smoothie Hall.

Want to try your skills at HEX dancing? Remember we will have workshops on Friday and Saturday mornings. HEX dancing will be encouraged in the back of the Hall during the rest of the festival.

Thank you for attending the Saturday morning General Meeting and sharing your ideas with the Board at any time. You are what makes the HASSDA Festival special!

See you in Springdale Arkansas for an improved HASSDA experience.

Maye Wegner, Treasurer

****2023 HASSDA FESTIVAL UPDATES****

August 16, 2022: Hotel reservations are accepted at the host hotel (Holiday Inn).

June 30, 2023: Cut Off date for room block at host hotel (Holiday Inn).

June 15, 2023: Cut Off date for festival pre-registration.

Thursday, July 27th (7:30 pm - 10:00 pm): Trail-End Dance with callers Bob Asp, Tom Manning and cuer Cathy Fisher. Held at the Holiday Inn/NW AR Convention Center in Springdale AR. \$7.00 donation at door.

Friday, July 28th (9:00 am - 10:30 pm): Festival begins with a special morning session with caller Charlie Robertson featuring Intro-to-Hex-Squares, followed with MS/Plus/DBD/Advance/Rounds (alternating, as in past festivals) with all callers and cuer (with lunch and supper breaks).

Saturday, July 29th (9:00 am - 10:30 pm) Begin with all level workshops and followed with MS/Plus/DBD/Advance/Rounds (alternating, as in past festivals) dancing with all callers and cuer (with lunch and supper breaks).

We are really looking forward to our very first HASSDA Festival in the state of Arkansas!! It is right in the middle of Ozark country, with plenty of sightseeing and things to do in the area. We would love to have a good size turnout for this festival and are asking our HASSDA members to help us spread the word and promote it.

OUT AND ABOUT

(Upcoming Special Dances)

Missouri State Square Dance Festival

(with Dan Preedy, Bob & Gerry Tevlin)

October 7-9, 2022

Lowell Mohler Assembly Hall

Missouri State Fairgrounds

Sedalia, MO

72nd Nat'l Square Dance Convention

June 21-24, 2023

Arthur R Outlaw Mobile Convention Cntr

Mobile, Al

Arkansas State Square Dance Fall Festival

(with Tim Tyl)

October 7-8, 2022

Exhibition Hall, Van Buren County Fairgrounds

Clinton, AR

Summer Weekend Get-A-Way

(with Lanny Weaklend, Mike Hogan)

July 14-15, 2023

American Legion Hall

Johnson, NE

Iowa St. Square and Round Dance Convention

April 14-15, 2023

Isle Casino Hotel

Bettendorf, IA

HASSDA FESTIVAL TRAIL END DANCE

(with Bob Asp, Tom Manning, Cathy and Fred Fisher)

July 27, 2023

Holiday Inn/NW AR Convention Center

Springdale, AR

8th Annual Memorial Weekend Square Dance

(with Eric Henerlau)

May 27-28, 2023

Omaha Firefighters Union Hall

Omaha, NE

HASSDA FESTIVAL

(with Bob Asp, Charlie Robertson, Jet Roberts, Cathy and Fred Fisher)

July 28-29, 2023

Holiday Inn/NW AR Convention Center

Springdale, AR

*****NOTE*** Due to the Covid-19 virus, it is recommended to verify if the above events are still happening prior to attending**

HASSDA 2022 in pictures



HASSDA Board Members pictured with the calling and cueing staff:

(L to R) Karen Hoops, Newsletter editor; Kelly Bockover, President; Tony and Carolyn Ahart, Cuers; Maye Wegner, Treasurer; Dan Sahlstrom, K.O. Jeans and Jeff Holley: Callers

Trail End Dance Thursday evening with Chris Wildhagen and Connie Graham



From the Smoothie Hall Saturday afternoon



Line Dancing was popular this year

Also popular was Round Dancing



Want to see yourself or your friends in pictures?

Just [click here](#) to see more!

OR

**for coverage of activities in the HASSDA area
go to our Facebook page by searching for
Heart of America Single Square Dance Association**



HASSDA FESTIVAL

JULY 28-29, 2023

Holiday Inn/NW AR Convention Center

1500 SOUTH 48TH STREET

SPRINGDALE, ARKANSAS 72762

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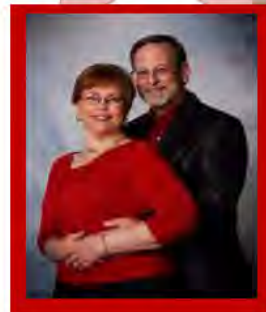
BOB ASP



CHARLIE ROBERTSON

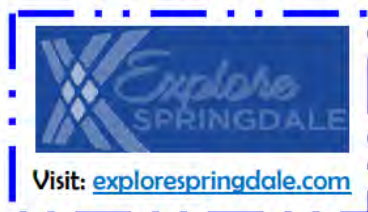


JET ROBERTS



Cathy & Fred Fisher, cuer

TAKE AN EXTRA DAY AND COME EARLY FOR THE TRAIL-END DANCE
 THURSDAY July 27, 2023 7:30 – 10:00 p.m.
 BOB ASP & TOM MANNING, callers & CATHY FISHER, cuer
 (\$7 payable at the door)
 Holiday Inn/NW AR Convention Center, 1500 S 48th St, Springdale, AR 72762



Host Hotel - Holiday Inn, 1500 South 48th Street, Springdale, AR 72762

Rates: Single King w/Sleeper Sofa or Double Queen - \$106.00 (1 or 2 guests) \$116.00 (3 guests) \$126.00 (4 guests)

For reservations by Phone 479-751-8300 Option 1 or Online at [\(see HASSDA website for link\)](#) (Use Code: HASSDA-2023)

BREAKFAST INCLUDED WITH RATES LISTED ABOVE

8/24/22

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Individual registration - please complete appropriate blanks:

_____ Friday & Saturday All Events Prior to June 15, 2023	\$40.00
_____ Friday & Saturday All Events payable at the door	\$50.00
_____ One Day/Night includes After Party	\$30.00
_____ Individual Square/Round Dance Sessions	\$15.00
Total individual registration fees enclosed	\$ _____

*Dance registration provides a complimentary membership to HASSDA for adults (**18 years of age & up**) from August 1, 2023 to July 31, 2024.*
 (Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.)
 Make Checks Payable to: HASSDA Festival 2023
 685 Newman Road
 Havensville, KS 66432

Festival Contact: Kelly Bockover ~ 816-678-2139 or HASSDA-FESTIVAL@wesquaredance.com

Square Dance Attire Admired, Not Required

Cancellation Policy:

- Full Refund will be given if cancellation notice is received prior to June 15, 2023
- One-half Refund will be given for cancellation between June 15 and July 15, 2023.
- No Refund will be given for cancellation after July 15, 2023.

All requests for a refund must be in writing or email to HASSDA Festival Contact.

New Member Renewal -- Single Married Youth (**under 18 - 1/2 Price**)



HEART OF AMERICA SINGLES SQUARE DANCE ASSOCIATION FESTIVAL

THURSDAY ~ JULY 27, 2023		
7:30 - 10:00	Trail End Dance with Bob Asp and Tom Manning ~ (Hall A) Holiday Inn/NW AR Convention Center, 1500 S 48 th St, Springdale, AR 72762	
Time	HALL A	HALL B
9:00 - 11:30	FRIDAY ~ JULY 28, 2023	
	HALL A	HALL B
	HALL C	HALL C
9:00 - 11:30	INTRO TO HEX SQUARES WITH CHARLIE ROBERTSON	
1:00 - 4:00 PM	MAINSTREAM / PLUS / ROUNDS (ALTERNATING)	
	Bob/Jet/Charlie/Cathy	
SUPPER BREAK		
	SMOOTHIE*/ROUNDS	PLUS/PLUS DBD**
7:00 - 8:00 PM	Charlie Robertson / Cathy Fisher - MIXER PROGRAM	Bob Asp (Plus)
8:00 - 9:00 PM	Bob Asp / Cathy Fisher	Jet Roberts (Plus DBD)
9:00 - 10:00 PM	Jet Roberts / Cathy Fisher	Charlie Robertson (Plus)
10:00 - 10:30 PM	Bob/Jet/Charlie/Cathy	CLOSED
	AFTER PARTY in HALL A TBD	
SATURDAY ~ JULY 29, 2023		
Time	HALL A	HALL B
	HALL C <td style="text-align: center;">HALL C </td>	HALL C
9:00 - 10:00 AM	INTRO TO HEX SQUARES	
	Charlie Robertson	
	INTRO TO PLUS	INTRO TO PLUS DBD
	Bob Asp	Jet Roberts
10:00 - 11:00 AM		INTRO TO ADVANCED
		Jet Roberts
HASSDA GENERAL MEETING, 11:00 to Noon - Location HALL C		
LUNCH BREAK		
	SMOOTHIE*/ROUNDS	PLUS/PLUS DBD**
1:00 - 2:00 PM	Jet Roberts / Cathy Fisher	Charlie Robertson (DBD)
2:00 - 3:00 PM	Bob Asp / Cathy Fisher	Jet Roberts (Plus)
3:00 - 4:00 PM	Charlie Robertson / Cathy Fisher	Bob Asp (Plus)
SUPPER BREAK		
6:00 - 6:45 PM	Callers & Cues will be available for pictures with dancers ~ Remember Saturday Night is always Red, White and Blue night at HASSDA!	
	SMOOTHIE*/ROUNDS	PLUS/PLUS DBD**
6:45 PM	ANNOUNCEMENTS	
7:00 - 7:10 PM	MAINSTREAM (ALL CALLERS)	
7:10 - 8:00 PM	Bob Asp / Cathy Fisher - MIXER PROGRAM	
8:00 - 9:00 PM	Jet Roberts / Cathy Fisher	
9:00 - 10:00 PM	Charlie Robertson / Cathy Fisher	
10:00 - 10:30 PM	Bob/Jet/Charlie/Cathy	
AFTER PARTY in HALL A TBD		
* SMOOTHIE PROGRAM WILL BE 3 MAINSTREAM 1 PLUS WITH 1 ROUND OR LINE BETWEEN SOME TIPS		
**PLUS DBD (DANCING BY DEFINITION) WILL BE ALTERNATING SESSIONS WITH PLUS LEVEL		