



# TRIANGLE SQUARES

May 2006



## SCOOT ACROSS THE BORDER 2006! FRANKIE GOES TO HOLLYWOOD NORTH



*Welcome to All Our Fly-In Guests!*

I haven't a thing to wear! Yes our Costume party is coming very soon! Like tomorrow (Saturday)! For those who can't remember the fads 'n fashions of the 1980's, let me take you back...WAAAYYY back!

Ronald Reagan was president and Brian Mulroney was our Prime Minister. It was a time when "Greed is Good" on Wall Street, and Nancy told us to "Just say no to drugs". Disco was dead and music was going in two VERY different directions: Punk and New Wave. Punk and Post-Punk bands included the Sex Pistols, Black Flag and the Clash. Coming out of the late 70's, their style was spiked hair in wild colours, safety pin piercings and the perpetually angry sneer.

If that wasn't your style, then maybe it was New Wave, with its acute hair cuts and lots of eye-make up- these bands included the Human League, ABC, Culture Club and of course, Frankie goes to Hollywood! The use of synthesizers and lush orchestrations made them very popular and their look was trend-setting: Culture Club & Boy George, the Tompson Twins; Movie Hits included: Indiana Jones in *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, *E.T.*, *The Empire Strikes Back*, and Dolly Parton working the office in *9 to 5*. In later years, Hollywood moved on to *Wall Street*, *Flashdance* and yet more Indy in *The Temple of Doom*! *Top Gun* was a hit in '86, and *Fatal Attraction* in '87 - Indiana Jones...Flashdance...They made leg warmers a HOT trend! Tom & Val share a moment! Superman! YUM! Hopefully these pictures will help trigger a great idea or fond remembrance of the lost decade of greed called the 80s! See you at the dance!

To date, this fly-in has attracted dancers from: Anywhere Squares, Cadillac Squares, Cleveland City Country Dancers, DC Lambda Squares, Edo-8's, El Camino Reelers, Foggy City Squares, Golden State Squares, Independence Squares, Ottawa Date Squares, Rocky Mountain Rainbeaus, Seaway Rainbow Squares, Times Squares, Tinseltown Squares, and a club in the UK!

### OutGames! – Room-mate Wanted

I am looking for a room-mate during the square dance event related to the OutGames in Montreal. I have reserved a non-smoking room with two double beds at the Hilton Bonaventure, with a rate of \$209 per night, which we'll split. This room is reserved from Tuesday, August 1, checking out Sunday, August 6, and you're welcome to use all or part of this time.

If interested, please contact Don Cheff at either 416-324-8873 or [doncheff@hotmail.com](mailto:doncheff@hotmail.com).

### COUNTRY & WESTERN DANCING

Zipperz continues to offer line-dancing, two-stepping, waltz & couple-line-dancing. Zipperz is at 72 Carlton Street, just east of Church. Here's the schedule:

- Wednesdays, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., and
- Sundays, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

If you'd like to submit an article for inclusion in the newsletter, or have digital photographs you'd like to include, please e-mail them to our newsletter editor, Don Cheff, at [doncheff@hotmail.com](mailto:doncheff@hotmail.com).



## Upcoming Fly-In's and Events

**AACE** (Academy for Advanced and Challenge Enthusiasts). June 14 to 17, Strongsville, Ohio (near Cleveland). Non-affiliated (gay-friendly). Callers: Sandie Bryant, Vic Ceder, Barry Clasper, Ross Howell, Mike Jacobs, Lee Kopman, Ben Rubright, & Lloyd Sparks. [www.theaace.com](http://www.theaace.com).

**IAGSDC 23<sup>rd</sup> annual Convention, *When You Wish Upon A Thar!*** June 30 to July 3, Anaheim, California. Callers: Anne Uebelaker, David Mee, Deborah Carroll-Jones, Jack Borgström, Michael Kellogg, Mike Jacogs, Tim Crawford, Todd Felleg, & Vic Ceder. [www.wishuponathar.org/](http://www.wishuponathar.org/)

**Rendez-Vous Montréal – 1<sup>st</sup> World OutGames.** August 2 to 4, Hilton Bonaventure Hotel, Montréal. Square Dancing is being included as one of the Cultural Activities at the OutGames. Callers: Tim Crawford, Bill Eyler, Todd Felleg, Nick Martellacci, Don Moger, Don St. Jean, & AnneUebelaker. Check out the web site at [www.montreal2006.org](http://www.montreal2006.org).

**Follow Your Neighbor XI - Cinderfella's Leather & Lace Ball,** August 11 to 13, hosted by Cadilla Squares, Detroit, Michigan. Callers: Bobby Poyner and Sparky Sparks. For more info: [cadillasquares@ameritech.net](mailto:cadillasquares@ameritech.net), or call John, (313) 837-7966.

**The Great Chicago Crossfire XVII: Caught in the Crossfire,** September 1 to 4, hosted by Chi-Town Squares. Callers: Saundra Bryant, Anne Uebelaker, John Oldfield, Kris Jensen, Michael Maltenfort, & Larry Tradup. [www.iagsdc.org/chi-townsquares/](http://www.iagsdc.org/chi-townsquares/).

**Make Waves for Ducklings,** September 8 to 10, hosted by Boston Uncommons, and held in Medford, Mass. Callers: Bill Eyler & Ken Ritucci. [www.lcfd.org/bu/](http://www.lcfd.org/bu/).

For all other events in association with the IAGSDC, please go to <http://www.iagsdc.org/cgi-bin/calendar>.

## It's Hip To Be Square!

The Hawthorne Hoedown on Thursday, May 4 was a “rip snorting” success thanks in part to Triangle Squares members (18 in total including our caller, Don St. Jean) donating their time and services to the fundraiser. The event raised \$1,200 – a substantial increase over last year's \$44.

The evening kicked off with a lovely buffet meal consisting of Caesar salad, an assortment of homemade chillies, a variety of breads and refreshments. It was great seeing the staff, children and some of their parents dressed up in their western outfits along with our members in their club shirts.

Soon it was time for everyone to wear off their dinner dancing. Triangle Squares did a demo tip to get everyone in the square dance spirit. Don St. Jean then encouraged the children, parents and staff to join us in an “Intro to Square Dancing” session. At first, it was a bit of a challenge with the varying age groups (children from 6 years to 14 years old as well as adults). But Don quickly had everyone following his instructions and enjoying themselves square dancing to the upbeat music. Midway through the hour-long intro session, Triangle Squares members did another demo mainstream tip.

The children really got excited when we introduced them to the styling for YMCA and when Don asked them “And what do they say?” as we danced to the music of the Matador song. Everyone shouted “Ole!”. Don gave everyone a real workout as some children and parents were seen huffing and puffing at the end of the session with a big smile on their faces.

The next day, the children were still hopping and jumping around and talking about what a great time they had at the hoedown. As a result, the gym teacher let them practice their “allemande left”, “do sa do”, “two ladies chain” and “promenade” moves during their gym class. The children were surprised how much fun square dancing was as well as being a real workout.

Lalitha Flach, the event co-ordinator, could not say enough to thank Triangle Squares on behalf of the students and staff of Hawthorne II Bilingual Alternative School. Without our participation, the event would not have been such a huge success. Lalitha said the staff and parents were quite impressed with how well our members interacted with the different age groups. And we definitely made a lasting impression on the children.

Triangle Squares hopes we were successful in recruiting some new dancers for our upcoming fall classes as we distributed club promotional information to the parents in attendance. The children were even asking their parents if they could take square dancing lessons. Who knows, maybe the future of square dancing lies in teaching the youth square dancing and hooking them on this great past time while they are young!

*Brian Wilding*



## Trailing Out the 2005-2006 Dance Season

Now that spring is finally here to stay, I would like to thank ALL of our members for dancing with us this year!

As the dance year is crowned with another of our fabulous fly-ins, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the year just past. It seemed to be a year full of highs and lows. Our many club dances returned a small profit to the club this year, and these dances were enjoyed by all who attended. The Christmas Potluck dinner was well received and was truly heart-warming. It was made all the better by the sharing of good food and of good dancing company. It seems that it was also the year of the wounded dancer. Quite a few of our members and club friends suffered serious health ailments. Thankfully, all are on the road to recovery! It was also the year of one of our smallest basic classes. Our club thrives on the dynamism of new and energetic people. Their keen spirit and enthusiasm makes for lively dancing all around. Don't forget we need them to keep our club in good health! If you have any friends and acquaintances who are interested, don't forget to let them know about new classes for September! Word-of-mouth is the most effective means of getting people to join our club!

To wrap up, I would like to thank all our many helpers: the angels who dance tirelessly and patiently at our classes; our callers who take the time to work with us, pushing us to be better dancers and continue learning; the steering & fly-in committees, who work behind the scenes making it all work so well so we can dance, dance, dance!

Enjoy your summer and see you all in September!

*Peter Brych*

*President, Triangle Squares*



## Pride Weekend – June 24, 2006

Come support the Triangle Squares as we perform a demonstration square on the Community Stage at the Paul Kane Parkette on Wellesley Street!

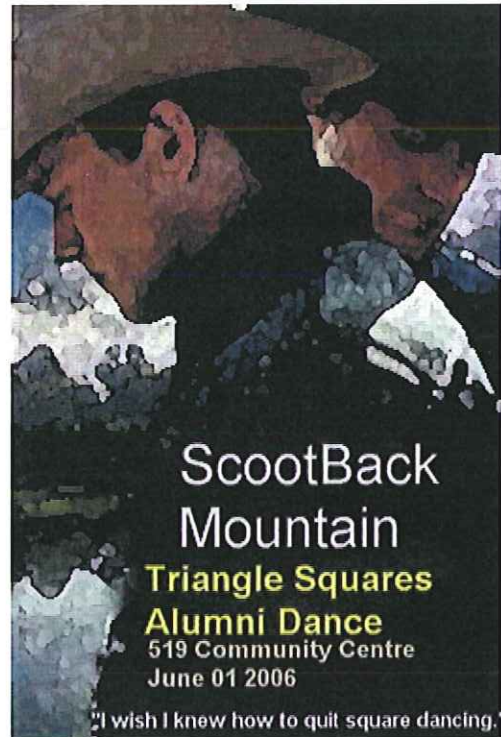
We dance on Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>,  
from 1:50 p.m. to 2:10 p.m., and  
from 4:15 p.m. to 4:35 p.m.

Please come out to cheer on the demo crew, as well as to pass out leaflets to promote the club.

## Club Dance

Our last club dance will be on June 1st at the '519', called *Scotback Mountain!*

This is an alumni Dance and will be free-of-charge! We want all our old members to come out and have a ball with us! Joe Ubelacker will be calling, and the dance will be in the auditorium of the '519' from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. If you know any friends and acquaintances who danced with us in the past, PLEASE invite them to join us! We'd love to see y'all again!



## Scot Across the Border 2007

As next year's convention in Denver will take place at the same time as we usually hold our Fly-In, and so as to not conflict with convention dates, the club has decided to reschedule our fly-in for 2007!

Next year's Scot will take place from June 29 to July 1, and will be held at the Central YMCA.

The callers will be Don Moger and Dave Hutchinson.

As a special treat for our dancers, there will be fireworks on July 1. Fortunately, this space is air-conditioned!

So, mark your calendar for the end of June 2007!