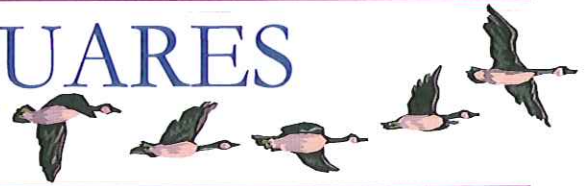




TRIANGLE SQUARES

September 2007



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A hearty welcome back to our regular square dancing classes after what we hope was an enjoyable and relaxing summer break. A special welcome is extended to those of you who are new members (and some returning members) of Triangle Squares. We will endeavour to make sure that your square dancing experience is an exciting and enjoyable social and learning opportunity.

Since our last Newsletter, we have been busy extending our community outreach programmes and promoting membership in Triangle Squares. Thanks to all of you who took part in the dance demonstrations at the Pride Dance Stage and the Fetish Fair, and to those of you who helped distribute our promotional materials at these events. A special thanks also goes out to those of you who helped by putting up flyers promoting our Introductory nights in various apartment buildings and community venues. We are also grateful to those of you who "chatted up" square dancing with their acquaintances and friends, in an effort to promote membership in Triangle Squares. Your efforts have all shown their effectiveness through the fine turnout at our Intro nights.

Several club dances and other events have been planned for the dance year, that we hope will be of interest and will add another element of fun to your square dance experience. Every effort will be made to keep you informed of these events and other important messages via our Newsletter and general e-mailings. If you don't have e-mail service or if you miss getting your latest copy of the Newsletter, you can access our Triangle Squares Phone Message Service, sponsored by X-tra, at 416-925-9872, ext. 2014. We try to keep our phone messages as current as possible.

With best wishes for a fun-filled year of square dancing,

Bob Hails, President

CLUB FEES

Within the first few weeks of the new classes, our Treasurer, Robert Wylie, will be visiting the individual classes to collect the fees for the first term of classes (September to the end of January). So consider this a "heads up" to have your cheques ready for him. Cheques should be made out to **Triangle Squares**.

The membership fee for the Basic/Mainstream class is \$15 plus \$90 to cover the cost of running the classes, for a total of **\$105**.

The membership fee for the remaining classes is \$30 plus \$90 to cover the cost of running the classes, for a total of **\$120**.

At the time of paying your fees and registering for your class, you will be asked to fill out an information sheet on your Contact Information. This information is needed to keep our records current and to ensure that you receive all Club notices. Thanks for your co-operation with this.

Our goal is to have all the fees collected by the middle of October, as we need final class numbers to send off to the Toronto and District Square Dance Association to ensure membership in their organization, and so that we get insurance cards for each of our paid-up members.

Lucky Draw: If you brought a new guest to the Intro nights and/or the Social Event on Sept. 23 and your guest actually registers with us, your name will be entered in a draw to have your \$90 dance fee for the first term paid for by the club! Good luck, and the winner will be informed once registrations are completed.



INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION 2007: RED ROCKS AND PURPLE MOUNTAINS



The IAGSDC annual convention was held in Denver Colorado this year at the end of May and was attended by 20 Triangle Squares' members. There were several pre-convention tours to choose from and the trip up Pike's Peak took our breaths away both literally as well as figuratively. Denver was a great host city and is very pedestrian friendly. The fun badge tour on the last day took us to the Red Rocks National Park with its magnificent natural rock formations as well as to other venues which make Denver and its environs a wonderful place to visit.

The 25th anniversary of the IAGSDC will be the 2008 convention in Cleveland, Ohio, a city that is familiar to many of our members who regularly attend fly-ins there. Many of us are looking forward to finally being able to attend a convention which does not necessarily involve air travel (and fares) since Cleveland is within driving distance of Toronto.

Upcoming Fly-In's and Events

Load the Boat XVII - Pirates of the Cuyahoga, October 5-7, hosted by Cleveland City Country Dancers. Callers: Gary Monday & Nick Martellacci. Info: www.loadtheboat.org/.

Peel the Pumpkin - Diamonds Are Forever, October 19-21, hosted by Times Squares NYC, to be held in Tinton Falls/Eatontown, New Jersey. Callers: Nick Martellacci, Ben Rubright & Anne Uebelacker. Info: www.iagsdc.org/timessquares/tsflyin.html.

For all other events associated with the **IAGSDC**, please go to <http://www.iagsdc.org>.

REMINDER: Please check our telephone line for Club updates: (416) 925-XTRA, ext 2014.

IMPORTANT DATES

Hallowe'en Club Dance



Our Hallowe'en dance is scheduled for Wednesday, October 31 (yes, on the very day!) at Jesse Ketchum School from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., and to be called by Joe Uebelacker. You're encouraged to wear a costume. Some treats may be available, but it will be up to you to arrange your own "tricks". This is an all-level dance and everyone is welcome to attend.

Annual General Meeting

The 2007 AGM is scheduled for Thursday, November 15 at the 519 Community Centre. The meeting will start at 7:00 p.m. and will be followed by all-level dancing with Don St. Jean doing the calling. We would like to include a dessert buffet with this event so, if you are able to bring a dessert, it would be greatly appreciated.

As per our By-Laws, an Agenda for the AGM will be made available to the members from the President, either by e-mail or regular mail by October 15. Although members of the Basic/Mainstream class do not have voting privileges at the AGM, they are invited to attend and to participate in the dancing afterwards.

Christmas Club Dance



Our Christmas Dance is scheduled for Sunday, December 9, at 40 Homewood Ave, in the Party Room.

Dancing will take place from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. followed by a Pot-Luck Dinner. The caller for this event has yet to be determined. Tickets, at a cost of \$10 each, will be available in the classes and also at the door. Sign up sheets for contributions to the Pot-Luck Dinner will be available in the classes prior to the event.

NOTE: If you'd like to submit an article or a digital photograph for inclusion in the newsletter, please e-mail it to Don at doncheff@hotmail.com.

