



June 2014: The Pride Edition

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Get to know the club treasurer: Mike

Another “tough” interview.....

If you could sing one song on American Idol, what would it be?

I'm not much of a singer, I'm better at appreciating music. However if I had to sing it would be a Broadway musical tune or something from a Disney movie. I've been listening to the 'Frozen' soundtrack lots lately so I'd sing 'Let it go'.

If there was a movie produced about your life, who would play you and why?

I'm not sure who would play me in a movie, but let me answer this in a slightly different way. If I were a Golden Girl, in my imagination I'd like to think of myself as being Blanche Devereaux, but in real life I'm probably Rose Nylund.

What superhero would you be and would you dress up at work given the chance?

I'd like to be Superman - he can fly which means I could travel whenever I wanted to and not have to worry about getting on a plane. I don't think I could pull off the tights and the cape. So no, I wouldn't dress up.

If we came to your house for dinner, what would you prepare for us?

I do like to cook and entertain and have a wide range of food I like to prepare. Since it's spring maybe salmon, baby potatoes with green onion and roasted asparagus.

Pick two celebrities to be your parents.

I think a fun couple to be my parents would be Neil deGrasse Tyson and Chris Hemsworth. That way I'd have daddies with both brains and brawn!



CONVENTION FIRST-TIMERS TAKE NOTE!

Thanks to support from All Join Hands Canada, you pay the lowest fee no matter when you register. Just get a note from one of your club officers, on club letterhead, and include it with your registration. If you've already registered at a higher fee, please let us know and we'll make sure you receive a refund for the difference. Our email is ajhc@alljoinhands.org

For everyone, All Join Hands Canada is here to support LGBT square dancing in many ways. Club development, convention first-timers, caller school attendees are just a few of the programs we sponsor. Get in touch if you think we can help with something.

All Join Hands Canada is a registered charity in Canada, so all donations will receive a tax receipt. Please consider helping to promote and preserve LGBT square dancing in Canada by making a donation. You can send a cheque to All Join Hands Canada, 165 Kingslake Rd, Toronto, ON, M2J 3G4 or you can donate online through Canada-Helps.org. There is a link from the "Donate" page of the All Join Hands website (www.alljoinhands.org) which will take you directly to the All Join Hands Canada page.

Pam Clasper

President, All Join Hands Canada



MAY I HAVE THIS DANCE? Join your fellow square dancers and dancers from Swingin'OUT, LGBT Dance, Toronto Wranglers, and Rainbow Ballroom on Friday June 13th at from 6:00 pm to 10:30 pm at the 519 Community Centre for an evening of dance. Come out and help promote our club by taking part in a introduction to Square Dancing led by Don St Jean. There will be mini lessons in Salsa, Merengue, Swing, and Line Dancing. Learn more about these other groups and spread the word about Triangle Squares. This event requires volunteers for various duties, so please step forward and contact Steve McKeown at publicity@trianglesquares.com to help out!

See you on the dance floor! (poster on the next page)



Triangle Squares has been approached by the World Pride Co-sponsor, the YMCA of Toronto, to dance at a special YMCA Pride Day Dance Festival on June 27th from 2-4pm. We will dance from 3-4pm (and Swinging Out from 2-3pm) at the Central Y located at 20 Grosvenor Street, Toronto.



Our hour will consist of two demo squares that were selected by the callers and committee to represent all levels of our club, even those who just started this past February!

Joe Uebelacker and Don St. Jean will be the callers for the demo dance and the intro dance which will include the audience and any club members who are able to join us for this event. It is already on the YMCA website and will be widely advertised and possibly televised.

We ask everyone to try to come and dance with us for the intro parts. Please wear gym friendly shoes, dress club shirt, or long sleeved white shirt, name badge, and black trousers. That way you will be identified as a member of our group.

You are welcome to invite friends to come to the intro with you.

If you have any questions please contact me at c.dodds@sympatico.ca or Susan Cox or Steve McKeown.

Colleen

May I Have This Dance?

A community dance celebrating WorldPride



Friday, June 13th, 2014

6:00-10:30pm

Try out new dance styles! Dancing and mini lessons in:

**LINE DANCING . . . MERENGUE . . . SWING
SALSA . . . SQUARE DANCING**

Enjoy demos and performances! Guest appearance by Ill Nana!
Come dance with us!



The 519 Church Street Community Centre

519 Church St., 2nd Floor Ballroom

\$7 or PWYC (pay what you can)

Wheelchair accessible. Scent-free space. All ages.

Please contact us for access and accommodation requests.

For more info: www.swinginout.ca/pridedance

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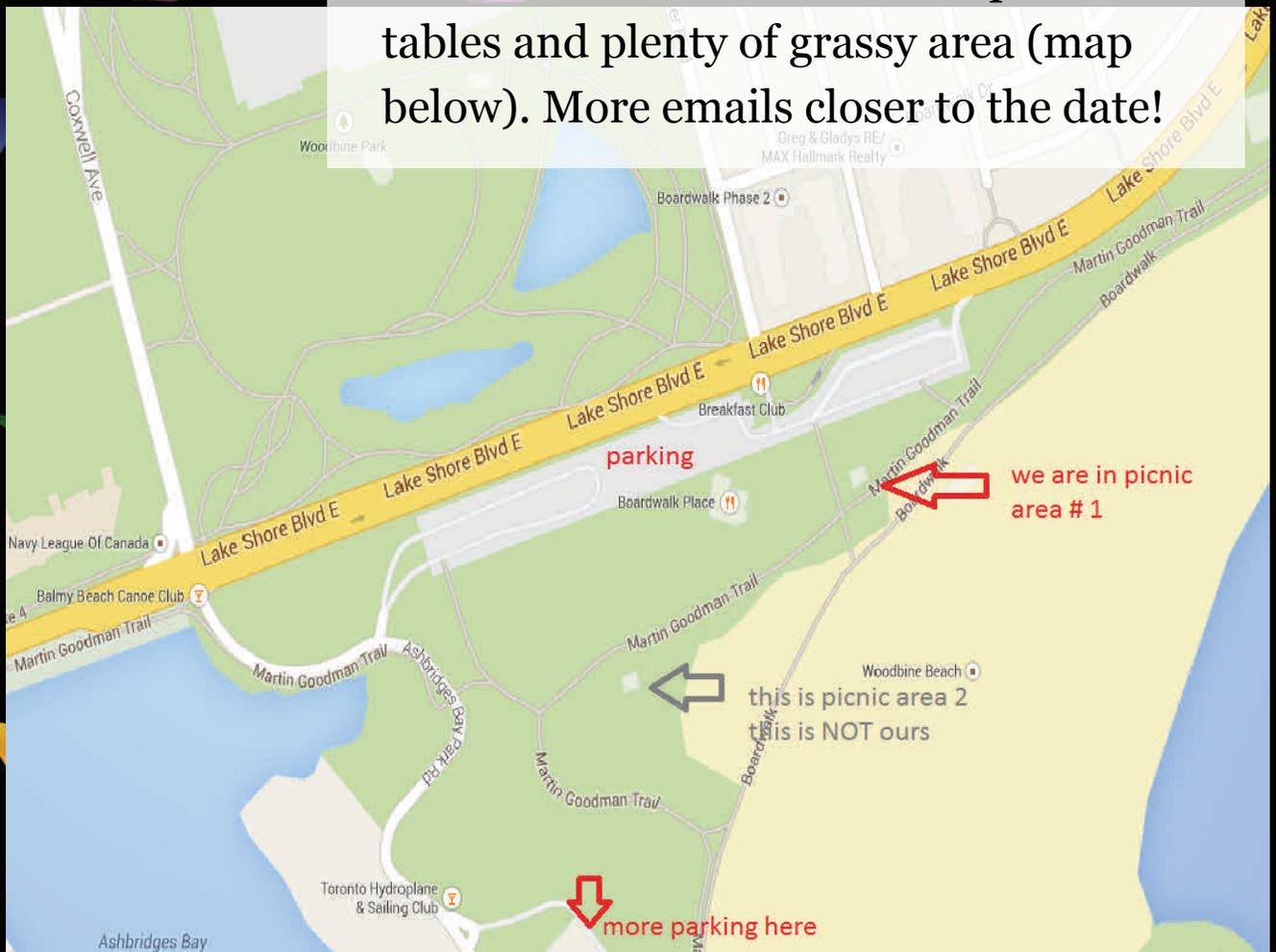


Presented by LGBT Dance, Rainbow Ballroom, Swingin'OUT, Toronto Wranglers & Triangle Squares.



AUGUST POTLUCK PICNIC

The club is planning to hold a potluck picnic on Sunday August 10 starting at 1 PM. Partners welcome! No dancing. Just food, laughter, lounging, games. Bring a dish to share. Frisbee? Bocce? It is a covered area with a few picnic tables and plenty of grassy area (map below). More emails closer to the date!



MARCH WITH TRIANGLE SQUARES

Pride parade. March with us. Seriously. Put on comfy shoes. Grab a water bottle. Sunscreen.

Recycle your Scoot Back to the 60's outfit (or not).
Marching is a hoot!

Sunday June 29, 2014. 1 PM start.

Stay informed: Join Triangle Squares on Facebook.
Watch your email for the latest details.



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Feature of the Month: Callers

The Toronto 2016 Planning Committee discussed at great length which of the many available and popular callers we should book. The number of contracted callers is inextricably allied with the number and levels of the dance registrations. Given that we won't know two years in advance exactly how many that will be, we have offered only eight contracts. However, we feel that this list of callers brings to the event a mixture of talent that will guarantee an excellent dancing experience at every level.

As revealed at the 2014 Fly-In, our callers for the 2016 convention are: Sandie Bryant, Barry Clasper, Tim Crawford, Dayle Hodge, Michael Kellogg, Osamu Miyabe, Don Moger, and Anne Uebelacker.

Sale of Early Bird Registrations will be made available to dancers in Salt Lake City. In addition, information and registration tables will need to be staffed by our own helpers and volunteers. If you are going to Salt Lake City, please volunteer to help promote Maple Leafs Regroup in 2016.

Thank you to the dancers who showed interest in volunteering during the convention. Lots of volunteer opportunities are still open. If you would like to contribute to one of the functions of this convention, please contact us at info@toronto2016.com.

60'S ACID FLASHBACK.

What a terrific fly-in we had!

Thanks to everyone that attended.

Thanks to the terrific callers!

And thanks to all the helpers!

Get to know a caller:

Don St. Jean

1. Drawings or paintings? **Paintings**
2. Hugs or kisses? **Hugs (but don't hold me to this)**
3. Comedy or mystery? **Mystery**
4. Crushed ice or cubed ice? **Crushed**
5. Tattoos or piercings? **Tattoos**
6. Money or fame? **Money**
7. "Ready, aim, fire" or "Ready, fire, aim"? **He scores. He shoots!!**



The 2015 Fly-in will be held October 15–18, 2015. Steve S. was the winner of the theme vote; **Star Track: An Alien Encounter!** Thank you to everyone for all the great theme ideas!

Do you have ideas for the newsletter? Stories? Photos? Want to volunteer for the 2015 fly-in? Contact [Steve](#) and [Paul](#)