



TRIANGLE SQUARES

Newsletter

January 2019

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RECENT HAPPENINGS

Grass did not grow under our feet since our last edition. No, sir!

In November, we held our **AGM**, where, judging by the photo, the most pressing issue was the lack of heat in the Jesse Ketchum gym. After a couple of months of chilly dancing, the heat situation was resolved. There was no change in membership of the Executive Committee.



In December, we hosted our annual Christmas dance and potluck dinner. **Dave Hutchinson** proved to be a great hit with his fast-paced calling. This year's newest dancers came out for class-level Basic, and had a nice, relaxed form on the dance floor. A few of our friends from Willow Weavers also came (they'll be having a Reunion Dance in March, please see below for more info). And we returned to the potluck format, which is always popular.



Meanwhile, in January, we held the first of our monthly **Drop-in Fun Nights**. We tried out a new event space across from The 519 (562 Church Street), which had funky lighting and gave the event a more intimate feel. The series was kicked off by **Barry Clasper**, who put in a lot of planning hours choreographing circles, contras, and introductory square patterns. The first event was well attended; we filled the small space, which can hold about four squares. For the second Fun Night on February 8th, we had **Bev Bernbaum** (from Toronto Contra Dancers) calling. Next up: **Bobby Chong** (from the Toronto Wranglers) and **Barry Clasper** (Triangle Squares) on **Mar 8** at a University of Toronto venue.





And finally, at the beginning of February, a good contingent of dancers travelled to Etobicoke, where the Arrowhead Squares hosted one of the monthly Toronto & District Joint dances. **Marge** was one of the featured callers. The Plus class had been getting a preview of her latest singing calls in January, and were guinea pigs for her newest choreography. The day became a moveable feast, when we reconvened at Colleen's house for a pizza party.



Lots more photos of these and other happenings in our [Flickr group](#). Feel free to add your own photos, or send them to me and I'll add them. Social media publicity lives on photos.

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NEW VENUE for 2019 FLY-IN

Marge Coahran

You asked for it...

We worked on it for several years...

And we are thrilled to announce that we have a [NEW FLY-IN VENUE](#) this year!!

The 2019 Triangle Squares Fly-In will be in the **Kiwanis Boys and Girls Club**, at 101 Spruce Street, Toronto (May 24-26, 2019). That is in lovely Cabbagetown, not far from the Church-Wellesley Village.

Here are some of the perks of this new space we are so excited about:

- 2-3 great dance spaces, plus additional social spaces, including a comfortable lounge for the Sunday brunch
- Considerable savings in rental cost and the knowledge that the full rental price will go directly to services provided at this Boys and Girls Club
- Fresh clean indoor air with air conditioning, plus a picnic area surrounding the building
- Easy walking distance (4-5 blocks) to restaurants on Parliament Street
- Two blocks from a streetcar stop and plenty of free street parking (10:00 am until midnight)

Watch for more detailed information about this new venue in upcoming newsletters.

Please make sure all your friends know about this venue change and make a note of it for yourself where you will find it on May 24th. We don't want anyone going to our old venue by mistake.



FLY-IN PHOTO OP

Colleen Dodds

Our 2019 Fly-In is coming soon. Last year's portraits of Girls with a Pearl Earring, which were hung along the hallway, were so popular we decided to do another selection of famous people. You can be one of them! This year's theme is **Wheel and Deal**, so we are looking at images of the Wild West, Casinos, Saloons, Las Vegas, etc.

Have your photo taken in a costume provided for your choice of character. There will be mix and match choices or bring your own! We are asking for a \$5.00 donation or PWYC to cover the cost of printing the photo. You get to take your photo home after the Fly-In. Any extra money will be donated to All Join Hands Canada.

We plan to start taking photos during the Valentine's Day Dance (Feb. 14th) at The 519. Please contact Colleen Dodds to book your photoshoot. c.dodds@sympatico.ca
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WHAT'S AHEAD

Here's what's on the calendar in the coming months:

- **Valentine's Day Dance**, with Barry Clasper, Thu **Feb 14**, 7-9 pm, The 519, Free
- **Joint T&D Dance**, Guelph, Sat **Mar 2**, 2-9 pm. [flyer](#)
- **Drop-in Fun Night**, with Barry Clasper and Bobby Chong, **March 8** (2nd Friday of each month until **May 10**). All Welcome. 7-9:30 pm, St. Hilda's College, 44 Devonshire Place, University of Toronto, \$10, refreshments served. [flyer](#)
- **St. Patrick's Day Dance**, with Tim Crawford, Sun **Mar 17**, 2:30-5:00 pm, The 519. [flyer](#)
- **Willow Weavers' Reunion Dance**, Sat **Mar 30**, 2-5 pm, 38 Ellerslie Ave., North York, [flyer](#)

Stay tuned to our [Events](#) page as updates are added. Our [Calendar](#) cross-lists select IAGSDC Fly-Ins and regional Toronto & District dances.

Drop-in Fun Nights

2nd Friday of each month

All welcome. No experience necessary. We'll have you dancing in no time. Lines, circles, squares; each caller will bring their own sense of fun. \$10 pp. Refreshments served.

Mar 8: Bobby Chong (Toronto Wranglers) and Barry Clasper (Triangle Squares) **special venue St. Hilda's College, 44 Devonshire Place, University of Toronto**

Apr 12: TBA

May 10: TBA

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