

TRIANGLE SQUARES

Newsletter

March 2019

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RECENT HAPPENINGS

Since the last newsletter, we've been busy dancing hither and yon. It was a long cold winter, but we survived, and the tulips are shooting up on schedule.

Our **Valentine's Day Dance** attracted dancers in red. We crashed the Basic class and introduced them to the wider club membership. Barry Clasper laid down the tunes and called the figures.





In March, a good contingent of TS dancers travelled to **Guelph** for the **Joint Toronto & District dance** there. (A good turnout at the regional dances is always good publicity for our own dances.) And here's Lorna, our very own double-agent in Guelph. She has become a big fan of old-time square dancing and can be found dancing to Bill Hands' calling in Puslinch and Etobicoke. She's even taken a few turns at the mic and is starting to develop herself as a

caller under the mentorship of Bill. She's also the publicity person for the Royal City Squares and produces the second-best square dance newsletter in Ontario.





Our **Drop-in Fun Nights** continued in March (you knew that, because you were there): **Bobby Chong** from the Toronto Wranglers led an Intro to Line Dancing at St. Hilda's College, University of Toronto. He's the coolest. And of course, I know you love having pictures of you dancing taken and posted (I can send you high-res files suitable for framing). In April, old-time caller **Bill Hands** led a session back at 562 Church Street. Next up on **May 10**, **Dave Williamson**, long-time caller for Royal City Squares will be hosting. He's got that old-time-country-singing-on-the-radio kinda voice.









Our annual **St. Patrick's Day dance** was a huge success. Tim Crawford calling, and lots of dancers from local clubs showed up (see how visiting their dances helps).





Other events of note (I told you we were busy): The **Willow Weavers** held a **Reunion dance**, which provided an opportunity to commemorate the passing of club caller Grant Logan. Aaron Goodman from Etobicoke Arrowhead Squares was the host caller and one of the organizers. Hats off to the organizing committee (including Monica and Iona), and the over 12 squares (100+dancers) who came out. See how much upside there is for our dances? Marge and Barry were among the volunteer callers.

In addition, Aaron Goodman hosted another caller's clinic in Etobicoke. Moneesha and Niall attended and gained insight into the mysteries of resolving squares from two-faced lines. No need to tell you, both Marge and Moneesha are up-and-coming stars on the local square dance scene.

Finally, a good-sized contingent of Triangle Squares dancers went to **Spring Spree in Peterborough** (below we are too tired to stand for the photo). A few had already left (Wayne, Guy, Kathleen), and Terry L., Jim & Linda missed the photo call.







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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T&D NEWS and SQUARE DANCE HUMOUR



After 60 years, The Toronto & District Square & Round Dance Association has a new logo. Terri R. and Pat V. developed a modern design to dispel stereotypes.

Here's a little humour from the publicity ace at the Toronto and District Association, who's shameless in trying to attract likes to their Facebook Page.









WHAT'S AHEAD

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

- Apr 26-28: Grand River Fly-In, info.
- May 10: Our last **Drop-in Fun Night**. All welcome. 562 Church St (diagonally across from The 519), 7-9:30 pm, \$10, refreshments served. flyer
- May 15 & 16: Last week of classes
- Thur, **May 23: Trail-in Dance**, The 519, 7-9:30 pm, Free.
- May 24-26: Wheel & Deal Fly-In Weekend, 101 Spruce St. Cabbagetown, info

Plans are shaping up for the summer, so stay locked to our **Events** page for updates. Our **Calendar** cross-lists select IAGSDC Fly-Ins and regional Toronto & District dances.

Fly-In News

Out-of-towners, if you're not already registered, now is a good time to register and start making your travel arrangements.

Contributors

Thanks to Niall O'Reilly for writing articles for this issue, and Terri Rothman for being

A Fly-In newsletter will come out shortly. Let me know if you have anything to contribute (e.g. restaurant recommendations in Cabbagetown).

Marge wants you to know that we've arranged with the principal at Spruce Court School to allow free parking at 70 Spruce Street during the Fly-In. There is also onstreet parking and a paid-parking lot close by. More details to follow in the Fly-In newsletter.

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Photos courtesy of Niall O'Reilly, Toronto & District Square & Round Dance Assn.

We welcome contributions of photos or a feature article. Send them to the club's Publicity Coordinator:

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