

HOT TIPS

Hey y'all!



Brad B.

2011 is shaping up to be a great year for Hotlanta Squares. We are about to break the 100-member mark for the first time, we have a plethora of exciting dances & other events planned for the next few months, we graduated a record number of mainstream dancers this past spring, and we still have that flattering afterglow after hosting a very successful IAGSDC Convention.

Our Fall 2011 Classes kicked off with a bang. Our new Club Caller **Johnny Jones** returned to grace us with his singing voice and infinite patience once more, and starting this Fall, long-time Club member **Mike Shagina** will be assisting him. On Monday nights we have been averaging 7 squares (sometimes 8, when we can fit it in) for our Beginner-Mainstream class, as well as 5 (and sometimes 6) squares for our Plus class. On Tuesdays we have been consistently boasting at least 5 squares of Advanced and at least 3 squares of Challenge-1 dancers. We're even slowly experimenting with introducing a few healthy snack options in among the Wall of Chocolate that tempts us all between tips. (Don't worry, there will still be sweet treats available for the chocoholics among us.)

We have a whole slew of great dance events planned over the coming months, including the return of several callers from our IAGSDC Convention – **Tim Marriner**, **Chris Phillips**, and **Ken Ritucci**, as well as other regionally famous callers, like **Roger Loney** (who we already know & love) plus **Steve Kopman**, **'Little' Joe Goins** and **Chris Burchfield** (who we will get to experience dancing to for the first time). I know many of us relish the euphoric feeling that comes over us when we dance to a great caller for the first time, so we're excited to be able to bring several of these "first-dance" experiences to you.

On Sunday, October 9 our Club will be marching in the Atlanta Pride Parade for the third straight year, and we are thrilled that **Larry Minogue** and his sassy sneaker collection will be leading our merry throng that day. As Captain, Larry will be drumming up internal participation to make sure that we "represent" Hotlanta-style again this year. If you would like to help Larry in any way, just ask him as I'm sure he will welcome the offer.

On a final note, I want to emphasize what an honor it is to help lead such a great organization into ever better and brighter times. As I said to the new dancers at Open House, being a Hotlanta Square is ultimately not as much about

our commitment to learning square dancing calls as it is about our commitment to our diverse, mutually respectful, loud-mouthed, food-loving, energetic, electric, warm, hug-happy community of square-dancing friends. We're a lucky bunch to have found one another!

All my best,

Brad

President, Hotlanta Squares

Officers for 2011-2012

Brad B.	President
Christie A	Vice-president
David W	Treasurer
Rob H.	Membership Secretary
Sherry M.	Event Coordinator
Danny M.	President Emeritus
Eileen S.	Marketing & Promotion
Wayne J.	Webmaster

"Scoop" Back - End of Summer Ice Cream Dance

Saturday September 24, 2011

Time: 6:30 pm- 8:00 pm ~ Advanced Level

8:00 pm- 10:00 pm ~ Mainstream & High-Energy Plus

Caller: "Little Joe" Goins from Cross Plains, TN

Cost: Free for new students taking Mainstream for the first time

\$5 for current members / \$7 for guests

Location: Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Atlanta (UUCA)

1911 Cliff Valley Way, NE

Atlanta, GA 30329



Little Joe Goins has been calling since 1969. He has four clubs in the Nashville area: Music City Singles, Flat Rock Squares, Plus Unlimited and Nashville "A" Club. Joe is a Member of Callerlab and licensed with BMI and ASCAP. He has called in 40 of the adjacent 48 states and Canada as well as for the IAGSDC in Seattle, WA.

Flutterwheel Fright Night - Halloween Membership Event

Friday October 28, 2011

Time: 8:00 pm- 11:00 pm ~ Mainstream, Plus, and Advanced Levels

Caller: **Roger Loney** of Columbus, GA

Cost: Free for new students taking Mainstream for the first time

\$5 for current members / \$7 for guests

Note: Wear your favorite costume!

Location: Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Atlanta (UUCA)

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Winter Wheel Around

Saturday December 10, 2011

Time: 6:30 pm- 8:00 pm ~ Advanced Level

8:00 pm- 10:00 pm ~ Mainstream & High-Energy Plus

Caller: **Tim Marriner** from Rock Hill, SC

Cost: Free for new students taking Mainstream for the first time

\$6 for current members / \$8 for guests

Note: Please bring an unwrapped toy

Location: The gym at Rehoboth Presbyterian Church

2729 Lawrenceville Highway

Decatur, GA 30033

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Zoom Into 2012

Saturday January 14, 2012

Time: 3:00 pm- 5:30 pm ~ C-1 and Advanced Levels

7:30 pm- 10:00 pm ~ Mainstream & High-Energy Plus

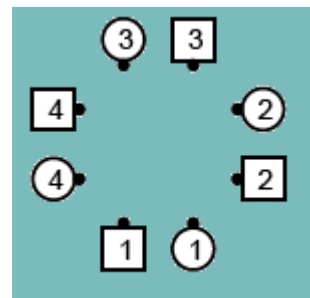
Caller: **Steve Kopman** from Knoxville, TN

Cost: Free for new students taking Mainstream for the first time - \$7 for current members - \$8 for guests attending only one session - \$10 for guests attending both sessions

Location: The gym at Rehoboth Presbyterian Church

2729 Lawrenceville Highway

Decatur, GA 30033



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SQUARE DANCING ETIQUETTE

1. Arrive on time whenever possible.
2. Form a circle or set up squares promptly when the music starts or at the caller's request.
3. Join the nearest square that is forming. If all nearby squares are filled, hold your hand up high so the caller can either guide you to a square where you are needed or get some other couple to join you.
4. It is considered very bad manners to walk through the middle of one square to get to another. It is equally as bad to pass a square in need of a couple. Never leave a square once you have joined it. Never push your way into a space or force another square to move. Find an open area and start a square there.
5. If time permits, introduce yourself to others in the square. You will not only acquire a reputation for being friendly but you will meet many new and interesting friends.
6. Listen quietly during all instructions from the caller. If you are an average, good-hearted soul and know the call being explained, resist the temptation to explain it to others in your square. Let your fellow dancer hear all the professional instruction that they have come to hear.
7. There is no acceptable excuse for rough handling of fellow dancers!
8. At the end of every dance be sure to thank the others in your square. They did contribute to your fun.
9. Friendliness is part of good manners. Square dancing promotes friendliness since it offers endless opportunities for more friendships to develop.



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Lamar Mask	Sept. 1
Kitty Wimbish	Sept. 1
Danny Miller	Sept. 6
Johnny Jones	Sept. 12
Edmond Campbell	Sept. 16
Marcia Massey	Sept. 20
Larry Minogue	Sept. 20
Kent Tolleson	Sept. 24
Rodney Tweedy	Sept. 25
Randy Stephenson	Sept. 26



10. Be sure to shower or bathe before attending.
11. Do not drink alcoholic beverages or eat garlic just before attending.
12. Be a well-informed dancer; review the rules of etiquette often.

As the holidays approach, it's important that we remember those less fortunate than we are. Please bring canned food items to our **Flutterwheel Fright Night** (for the Atlanta Community Food Bank) and unwrapped toys to the **Winter Wheel Around** (for AID Atlanta's Pediatric AIDS Christmas party).

Hotlanta Squares Cares!

AID Atlanta's Pediatric AIDS Christmas party will be held Dec 14. Any and all donations of toys will be gratefully appreciated, but they have a real need for gifts for girls aged 10 - 16 and newborn babies to age 2. Gifts for the girls could include MP3 players, jewelry sets, lotion/bath sets, nail polish sets, bracelets, fashion earrings, and watches. These can be found at Target, the beauty supply store and even the dollar store. No computer games or iTunes cards because they don't know who might have a computer. For infants, soft toys (no button eyes that can be swallowed!) and small blankets and afghans would be appreciated.

Thanks
Joan C.

Last Square Standing Fun Dance

Don't
leave
a friend
this year!

The Macon-Bibb County Convention and Visitors Bureau
Welcomes
GSSDA
40th Annual Convention
September 15-17, 2011
Macon, GA

*Everyone Dosado -
GSSDA is the Big 4-0!*

Square and Round Dance

Square Dancing
Friday 11:00 am - 11:00 pm
Saturday 11:00 am - 5:00 pm & 7:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Only Acceptable Casual Attire:
Friday & Saturday until 6:00 pm

Square Dance Attire Only:
Friday & Saturday - 6:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Grand March:
Line Up 6:45 pm - March 7:00 pm
Friday - Red, White & Blue Night

Trail End Dance:
Thursday, September 15th
8:00 - 11:00 pm
Casual Attire (No shorts or Tank Tops)
**GSSDA Members FREE
**\$5.00 Non-Members

For Advance Weekend Ribbons
@ \$25.00 each
Mail Check prior to
Sept. 1, 2011 to:
Randy Feak
111 Lake St., Rockmart, GA 30153
Phone 770-884-6561
rfeak103@wmconnect.com

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GSSDA 40th Annual Convention - September 16 - 17, 2011 - Macon, GA
For those of you who were at our Club Night dance you were able to hear the announcement of the Rainbow Hall by Willis Krump (President, GSSDA) at the upcoming **40th Georgia State Square Dance Convention**. Let's make this a true Club event by making our presence known at this year's convention by being **GAY, PROUD, and LOUD**. Let us bring the **FUN** and **HIGH ENERGY** level we are familiar with. Go to the GSSDA website: <http://gssda.org/convention.html> to get additional information and Hotel accommodations.

Place: Macon Centreplex Coliseum & Convention Centre

Cost: \$25 / Advance 2-Day ; \$30 / At the Door 2-Day

Attire: Casual before 6PM (No Shorts or Tank Tops)

After 6PM Traditional Square Dance attire required.

Hope to see every one who can make it down to Macon for this historical and memorable weekend.

Let us bring the spirit of Joan Booth when we get to Macon!

Yellow Rocks,

Danny

President Emeritus

Our "Welcome Back Friends Dance" was an immense success. Thanks to **Gary Monday** I now know what "Hot Hash" means. (Hint: You won't find it on the Food Network). Speaking of food, the buffet had everything from barbecue and Brunswick stew to bruschetta and fried chicken. And that dessert table was positively sinful. There were **72** people in attendance: **54** current members; **9** past members and **9** guests including Willis Crump, (GSSDA President) and Mike and Marcia Massey (MASDA Co-Presidents). In addition, there were a number of dancers (Caroline, Bill, Krista, Gerry & Jamie) from **Dudes n Darlin's** of Marietta (www.dudesndarlins.com/) They meet at the Mountain View Community Center with Randy Ramsey as their caller / instructor.

Congratulations to Sherry and Saralyn for an outstanding event. If this was an indication of what's in store, we're going to have an incredible season.

Eileen



HOTLANTA SQUARES WELCOMES

Marion L.
Craig K.
Rumiko R.
Matthew S.
James F.
Beau S.
Michele M.
Irene L.
Dave W.
Harold B.
Elaine S.
Steve S.
Joel S.
Matt Z.
Gordon D.
Kindra B.
Lisa M.



HOTLANTA SQUARES PROUDLY PRESENTS

OUR 10TH ANNUAL FLY-IN

PROMENADE DOWN PEACHTREE X

DATE: FRIDAY-SUNDAY MARCH 16-18, 2012

TIME: FRIDAY EVENING THROUGH SUNDAY AFTERNOON

CALLERS: JIMMY ROBERSON FROM OXFORD, NC

GARY MONDAY FROM ASHEVILLE, NC

CHRIS BURCHFIELD FROM YOUNGSTOWN, FLORIDA

[HTTP://WWW.IAGSDC.ORG/MAIN/EVENT/REG/R397.PDF](http://www.iagsdc.org/main/event/reg/R397.pdf)