

October 2014

Hot Tips

HOTLANTA SQUARES

Important Dates :

- November 1, 2014
Dance of the Dead
with Chris Phillips
- December 13, 2014
Holiday Dance
with Tim Marriner
- January 16—18, 2015
Promenade Down
Peachtree 13
- February 1, 2015
Membership renewal fee
for 2015 is due.

Hotlanta Squares proud to represent at Atlanta Gay Pride!

Gay Pride Sunday! This was to be the hubby's and my first time actually marching in the parade. Hotlanta Squares members donned tutus fabricated from tulle of all the pride colors (designed by pride coordinators Endsley and Joan) and then actually Promenaded Down Peachtree. While Ernest and I were driving to the train station it was gray and drizzling. As we stood for 15 minutes on the Brookhaven platform it started raining harder. The train finally arrived, as we rode along a variation of a song from my childhood came to mind.



*Hello Mudda, Hello Fadda
Here I am on, Gay Pride Sunday
The Pride parade, should be entertaining . . .
. . . and they say we'll have some fun if it stops raining*

As we emerged from Civic Center Station the first thing I noticed was the rain had stopped!! As we looked around we saw that we were surrounded by hundreds of people in outrageous costumes putting the finishing touches on floats. We headed down the street toward the center of the spectacular chaos, and before long found Endsley and Joan camped out next to Rodney's Hotlanta Squares anchor truck. (Cont. page 2)



Frequent Dancers Dance for Free !

Hotlanta Squares' first "Frequent Dancer" flight has come to an end, and we're happy to announce that the following members attended all of our dances this year, and will get a free entry to the Holiday Dance on December 13th!

Clara Chesboro
Sam Serotte
Mike Shagina
Bill Cosmas
Chris Johnson
Sam Shepherd
Moe Prado
Joan Campitelli
Endsley Real

If you didn't make the cut this year, don't worry; our Frequent Dancer challenge will start back up next spring!



(Hotlanta Gay Pride cont.)

The parade was lined up several rows wide on each of the 4 street segments that converged at the intersection of Ivan Allen Jr. Blvd. and West Peachtree St. We had approximately 2 1/2 hours to kill before the parade was scheduled to begin, so Ernest and I headed out to explore. This turned out to be the best way to view the parade before it started. We wandered through the assembling floats, talking and taking pictures with people we'd never have met watching from the sidelines. The big floats were cranking up the music and it was like a big street party.

When we returned to the Hotlanta truck most of the H.S. folks had arrived. Everyone was busy fluffing out their tutus, some of which were embellished with sequins and colorful leggings.

I had lost track of time and suddenly I realized that the parade was on the move. Slowly each street segment began to uncoil one row at a time from one street block to the next. We cheered the marchers as they moved past us, and then it was our time to go.

Endsley and Joan had choreographed a simple but fun set of calls that we performed when the parade paused. We all felt that our colorful attire and energetic dancing brought us more attention and cheering. One interesting thing, if you caught eye of a group of quiet onlookers, then waved and yelled to them, "Hooray! Happy Pride!" the group would always respond with enthusiastic cheers. It was like having some mind control super power! Of course it worked both ways; sometimes we'd fall silent and just walk but then several people on the sidelines would start yelling and waving to us and we always perked up and responded with enthusiasm.

All in all this was the most fun I've ever had at a Gay Pride Parade and a great way to promote our club to our gay and lesbian brethren. Please consider joining the fun and supporting your club in next year's pride parade.



Promenade Down Peachtree (PDP) 13

Throughout the year gay square dance clubs across the US and Canada hold expanded dance events called fly-ins. Fly-ins are great fun and offer more dancing than a single dance. They usually also conduct workshops and creative sessions to expand and hone your square dancing skills.

Our fly-in, Promenade Down Peachtree 13, is being held over the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday weekend, Jan. 16 – 18, 2015.
 Callers: Hunter Keller
 Michael Kellogg
 Registration Fee:
 \$105 - thru Dec. 31, 2014
 \$125 - after Dec. 31, 2014
 \$50 - non-dancer fee
 Registration Forms at :
http://www.iagsdc.com/hotlanta/resources/pdf/forms/PDP_Registration.pdf

Dance Location:
 Decatur Recreation Center
 231 Sycamore Street
 Decatur, GA 30030-3413
 Host Hotel:
 Courtyard Marriott Downtown
 Decatur
 130 Clairmont Avenue
 Decatur, GA 30030-3413
 visit site:
<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/atldc-courtyard-atlanta-decatur-downtown-emory/>
 or call 404-371-0204
 Use group code HOTHOTB for the \$125 rate (2 queen beds).

The Hotlanta Squares really really Want You !



Please renew your Hotlanta Squares membership today!

As a non-profit dance club our number one job is to dance and have fun but to keep doing that year after year we need new and returning members to pay the annual dues to offset the cost of operating the club. In case you didn't know joining Hotlanta Squares is a bargain compared to memberships at other local dance clubs. Compare our annual \$35 dues to other area clubs that have quarterly dues of \$25! If you love to Square Dance please join and participate!

To join just fill out the online membership form, print it out and then either:

- Mail it, along with a check made payable to "Hotlanta Squares" to:
 Hotlanta Squares
 P.O. Box 15533
 Atlanta, GA 30333
- Or bring the printed membership form with cash or a check to class, place them in the collection bag and write in payment notation in the space provided on the sign-in sheet.

Extra membership forms are also available during classes at the sign-in area.

About the annual dues:
 2015 Membership fees are due before February 1, 2015 but if you pay early you can save \$\$\$!

Here is the fee schedule:
 Early Bird Rate - \$30 before December 31, 2014.

Standard Rate - \$35

Students who graduated in June can join for the remainder of that year for \$15

November Birthdays

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| Penny Jones | November 16th |
| John Pardue | November 17th |
| Elaine Conn | November 21st |
| Linda Patrick | November 23rd |
| Moe Prado | November 25th |
| Todd Price | November 27th |
| Marek White | November 27th |
| Sam Shepherd | November 27th |



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IAGSDC 32nd Annual Convention
Swing Me in Saint Louis
May 22 - 25, 2015
St. Louis Union Station Hotel
swingmeinstlouis.com




Convention 2015

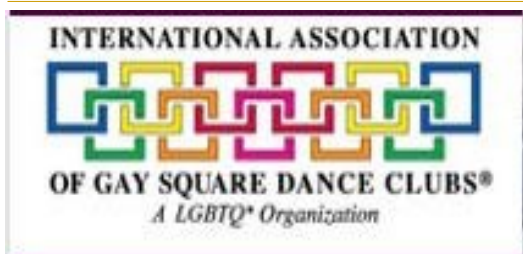
For the ultimate in Square Dance fun and fellowship, plan to attend the annual IAGSDC convention.

This year the big event is in St. Louis!
 2015 IAGSDC Convention
 Swing Me in St. Louis
 St. Louis, MO
 May 22 - 25, 2015

If you're interesting in meeting and dancing with same sex Square Dance enthusiasts from across the country/world check out this convention link:

<http://swingmeinstlouis.com/>

Convention 2015



Upcoming Events around the country in the IAGSDC

For more details and a complete listing of events visit:

<http://iagsdc.org/>

Start/End	Name/Type	Host/Locale
2014		
07-Nov	Harvest Festival Hoedown 2014	DC Lambda Squares
09-Nov	Flyin. Callers: Tom Miller, John Marshall, Tim Marriner, and GCA guest callers	York, Pennsylvania
06-Dec	Puttin on the Glitz - Glitter Ball Special Club Event. Callers: Dayle Hodge	Independence Squares Center City Philadelphia, PA
27-Dec	Saturday Night - Holiday Hoedown Special Club Event. Callers: Michael Kellogg	Bloomin Squares Tujunga, CA
2015		
16-Jan	Promenade Down Peachtree XIII	Hotlanta Squares
18-Jan	Flyin. Callers: Hunter Keller, Mike Kellogg	Atlanta, GA
24-Jan	Annual Betty Boop Dance Special Club Event. Callers: Terri Sherrer	Bloomin Squares Tujunga, CA
24-Jan	Once Upon a Time Dance Special Club Event. Callers: Betsy Gotta	Independence Squares Center City Philadelphia, PA
30-Jan 01-Feb	SWING THRU THE PALMS #6 - 2015 Flyin. Callers: Mike DiSisto (WA), Bill Eyler (NM), Hunter Keller (MT)	Boots In Squares 401 S. Pavilion Way, Palm Springs CA

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Holiday Dance



Date: Saturday December 13, 2014

Caller: Tim Marriner

Advanced/Challenge

7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Mainstream/Plus/Advanced

8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Cost: Members \$6.00, Guests \$8.00

Where: Unitarian Universalist Congregation

1911 Cliff Valley Way

Atlanta, GA 30329



Promenade Down Peachtree XIII



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16 – 18,
2015



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Hunter Keller

from
Menifee, CA



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Downtown Decatur

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Decatur, GA 30030-3413

Special event
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call 404-371-0204

Michael Kellogg

from
Northridge, CA

