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## Chi-Town Valentine Dance February 4

Date: Saturday, February 4

Time: 7 pm

Location: Ebenezer Lutheran Church

Caller: Bobby Poyner

Levels: Basic, Plus & Advanced

NEW CLASS MEMBERS ARE  
INVITED TO THIS DANCE.

Wear some pink or red to celebrate  
Chi-Town's Valentine and  
President's Day Dance.

Be sure to spank club President  
Bob Sundal as this date is his birthday.  
Don't spank him too much though,  
he might enjoy it.

## Angels Needed at Styling Class Feb. 23

You are invited to Chi-Town Squares' annual styling class on Thursday, February 23, 2012. Please attend to support the new class, as they learn all the whoops and hollers that make gay square dancing so fun. Feel free to bring treats and refreshments.

There will be a warm-up session at 7:00 PM, to give you a chance to brush up on Mainstream calls. **Styling lessons will begin at 7:30 PM.** Cost will be the usual class rate, which is \$5 for all Plus graduates, \$8 for members, or \$9 for non-members.



## MCASD Sweetheart Dance February 19

Come cheer on our Sweetheart Couple, Anastasia & Rachel, at the MCASD Sweetheart Dance.

Date: Sunday, February 19

Time: 2 pm

Location: Trinity Lutheran Church,  
405 S. Rush St., Roselle

Featured Callers: Ozzie Pearl & Herschel Tolson

Levels:

2 halls, 1 for Plus/Rounds and  
1 for Basic/Mainstream

Cost:

New dancers: Free

In advance: \$7 (buy at any  
Chi-town function)

At the door: \$8

See also:

[www.squaredancechicago.com](http://www.squaredancechicago.com)

Anastasia & Rachel  
from the BMP class  
are Chi-Town's  
Sweetheart Couple



# Chi-Town Squares Banner Steal Update

Chi-Town has had a busy season of banner stealing, making 4 banner steal attempts in December alone!

Glenview Squares: We were one person short of stealing their banner (Dec 2)

Wrongway Squares: We stole their banner (Dec 10)

Country Bumpkins: We stole their banner (Dec 16)

American Squares: We stole their banner (Dec 31)

Therefore the status is:

Glenview has our banner,  
We have Wrongway & American Squares banners.

Watch at classes & dances for plans for future steals/retrievals.

For more information, contact Rich Sehnert at [midlorich@yahoo.com](mailto:midlorich@yahoo.com)

Then at Chi-town Chili Dance on January 7: Country Bumpkins retrieved their banner and Glenview Squares stole our banner.

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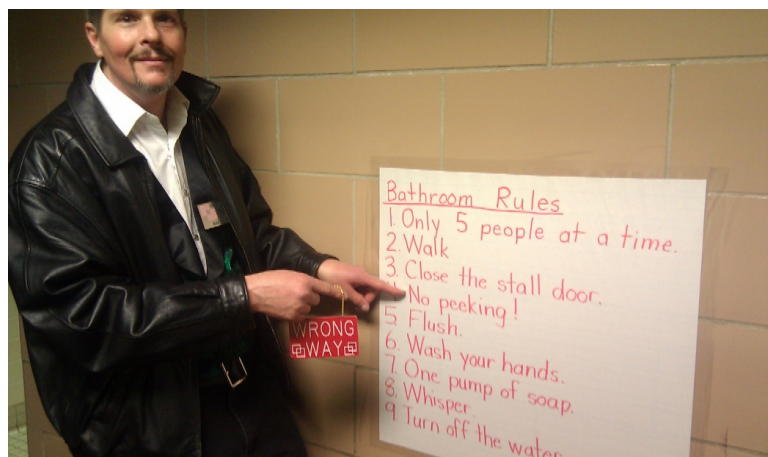
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Above: The Chi-town contingent at Wrongway squares.  
Below: Rich points to his favorite Bathroom Rule at the steal.



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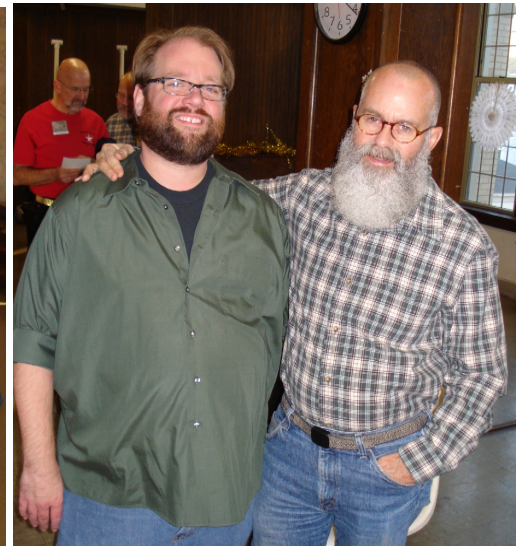
Submissions may be edited for length or content.

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▲ Class of 2010 graduates Steve, Therron, Das, Maitland & Jeff



▲ Jerry tells Matt "You've got a long way to go before you'll best my Santa beard!"



## Holiday Dance 2011

◀ Aren't these queens supposed to call each other and not wear the same outfit???

Jack smiles because he's the tallest one in the group!





# Holiday Dance 2011



▲  
Rich and Matt demonstrate how  
Chi-Town likes to take a "hands-on"  
approach.

▲  
Bob Sundal is overcome with gratitude  
and emotion after generous gifts from  
Chi-Town friends allow him to attend the  
Vancouver convention.

The fancy Christmas  
candles make their yearly  
appearance, then they go  
back in the closet. ►





# Record Attendance at Chi-Town Chili Dance

By Rick Simkin

The Chi-Town Chili Dance 2012 turned out to be a wonderfully big affair. Maybe this year the Holidays were easier to manage, with Christmas and New Year's falling on the weekend, with 5 weekends for shopping between Thanksgiving and Christmas, with no huge winter storms to deal with.

Whatever the reasons, it was great fun to have over 50 people show up for the dance and chili pot-luck. That number included visitors from Glenview Squares to steal our banner, and from Country Bumpkins to retrieve their banner—congratulations to the Chi-Towners who successfully stole that banner in December!

I counted TEN difference kinds of chili at the pot luck and enjoyed sampling them all. There were also delicious toppings and

sides dishes and desserts, all thanks to Chi-Town members who produced wonders from their kitchens.

In part, the Chili Dance is intended to be a mixer, an opportunity for members who don't usually see each other to meet and talk. And indeed there were a lot of conversations going on between old friends and new.

Thanks to the calling staff who kept us moving and smiling: Lynette Bellini, Sandie Bryant, Dayle

Hodge (calling from an undisclosed location), Arlene Kaspik, John Oldfield, and Therron Ricks in his Chi-Town calling debut.

Thanks also to all the volunteers who set up the hall for dancing and dining, who organized the kitchen, who left the hall in sparkling condition at the end of the evening!



The 5 callers at the Chili Dance: Therron, Sandie, Arlene, John & Lynette.

## Donations Sought for Silent Auction in May

Do you have nice stuff laying around your home that you don't use or want anymore? Chi-Town Squares will be having a silent auction fund-raiser during the graduation dance in May. Please start collecting your treasured possessions that you would like to donate to CTS. Also, we are soliciting donations of services, such as massages or other professional services.

Bring your donated items to the Graduation dance in May (date yet to be determined by the Board).

Please contact Joe Kerouac at [jwdk1949@aol.com](mailto:jwdk1949@aol.com) with your intended donations (goods or services) so we have an idea of what is going to show up.

This will be one of many attempts to raise money for CTS. Help support your club.

If you have any other ideas for fund-raising events, please contact Joe at the email above.



# Grand Rapids Fly-in Coming Soon on April 13<sup>th</sup>

If you are a new dancer, you may be just hearing about Fly-ins. A fly-in is an event sponsored by many of the clubs in the International Association of Gay Square Dance Clubs. Each fly-in is unique to the host club, but basically consists of a weekend of square dancing and special events. Many clubs have their fly-in on the same weekend each year. Chi-Town Squares hosts our annual "Crossfire" fly-in each Labor Day weekend.

The next fly-in within a few hours drive of Chicago is hosted by Grand Rapids, MI Grand River Squares **April 13-15**, called "Turn Thru the Tulips and Dutch it Up!".

This would be an ideal first fly-in, as it will offer Mainstream level dancing, which the BMP students will have completed by April. There are sure to be

many familiar Chicago faces present at the fly-in.

Sandie Bryant & Gary Monday will be calling. The Grand River Squares always provide a great spread each year, and being only 175 miles away, the fly-in attracts many Chi-Towners, who often outnumber the host club members.

The early registration rate for the fly-in is \$70 (until March 1), then it increases to \$85. You can check out their website

**[www.grsquares.org](http://www.grsquares.org)** for more info.

For more information on fly-ins, see the last page of this newsletter, or go to the IAGSDC web site at **[www.iagsdc.org](http://www.iagsdc.org)**, and check out their events listing. If you log in, you can even register for many of these events on line.

## St. Louis Fly-in Scheduled for March 30<sup>th</sup>

Chi-town's Sister club, the St. Louis Gateway Squares is holding their fly-in on the weekend of March 30<sup>th</sup>. The theme is Disco Inferno, so break out your best polyester pants and gold chains!

### Arch and Dive Thru 2012: Disco Inferno

Callers: Anne Uebelacker and  
Saundra Bryant  
Saint Louis, Missouri  
March 30 - April 1, 2012

Registration prices are:  
\$75 until March 1, 2012  
\$85 at the door



More info at:

**[www.gateway Squares.com](http://www.gateway Squares.com)**

Rich Sehnert writes: A new organization has formed in Indiana. It is Northwest Indiana Pride, dedicated to helping, promoting and bringing the local GLBT family together. Gary Gay Pride will be on June 2nd, if interested, text me at 708-209-0901.

## Get your Passport NOW for Vancouver, Canada convention

Getting or renewing a passport takes time. Avoid extra charges by doing it now, so that you are ready to travel to Vancouver, Canada, for the annual IAGSDC convention, from June 29<sup>th</sup> to July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Visit **<http://travel.state.gov/passport>**

For convention info, or to register, visit the website at: **[www.danceupastorm.ca](http://www.danceupastorm.ca)**

Convention Registration fees:

USD 205.00 ~ Until May 31, 2012

USD 255.00 ~ June 01, 2012 to event.





# New Class Report

By Joel Iott

We've had a really mild winter this year...too bad one of the snowstorms happened on a class night. Regardless, the class is continuing to do well, and we are now well into learning the Mainstream level.

Styling class is coming right up, on **February 23**, so angels, please make an effort to attend that night and pass on our fantastic gay styling to our students.

After that, the class will be moving on to Plus, which is a perfect opportunity for the angels to brush up on their Plus calls (at a discount price!)

As always, I want to say thank-you to the angels who come regularly, and those who come when they are able. You are the reason that the new class is doing as well as it is. Your individual attendance really makes a difference.

New Developments in Class:

- Anastasia & Rachel, students from our class, have volunteered to be our Sweetheart couple at the MCASD dance. What a great contribution from 2 of our students. This really shows how our students are making a difference RIGHT NOW—not just when they graduate.
- We're tweaking the styling class somewhat after feedback from last year's class.
- Therron continues to call a sequence during the review session and is now trying his hand at calling Plus during breaks.

Review sessions continue on Thursdays @ 7 pm with the regular class time @ 7:30 pm. The rate for angels at BMP class is now \$5.

I am always interested in your feedback, so contact me if you have any comments or questions. ([jiottchicago@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jiottchicago@sbcglobal.net))

Thanks for your support!

## Use It or Lose It: Dancing Makes You Smarter

By Richard Powers

Check out this interesting article that claims that Square Dancing is uniquely suited to keeping your brain healthy:

<http://socialdance.stanford.edu/syllabi/smarter.htm>

## Chi-Town Plans for Illinois Square Dance Convention in July

Chi-town is planning on having a big presence at the Illinois Square Dance convention July 27-29. Details are still being worked on. Please contact Rich Sehnert at [midlorich@yahoo.com](mailto:midlorich@yahoo.com) for more information.

### 2012 Illinois SD Convention at A Glance

- Dates: July 27-29, 2012
- Where: Oak Brook Hills Marriott Resort, in Oak Brook, Illinois (less than 30 miles west of Chicago)
- Featured Caller: Jerry Story
- Registration:

[www.scisda.org/events/convention](http://www.scisda.org/events/convention)

Cost—Until April 15—\$27  
Cost—After April 15—\$32

## Royal Squares DBD Plus 2012 Schedule

**8-10 p.m.**

February 25  
March 24  
April 27 (Friday)  
May 26  
August 25  
September 29  
October 27  
November 24  
December 22

Casual Dress

Extended application choreography at the mainstream and plus programs.  
Porter County Exposition Center  
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# It's My Column

(And I'll Write What I Want To)

By Her Majesty Lesley Gore-Tex, Queen of Honky-Tonk



Dear loyal subjects:

Our producer is keeping us hard at work on preparations for the exceedingly fabulous Honky Tonk Queen Pageant to be presented in Vancouver this summer. Consequently we have had little time to prepare this month's column. Notwithstanding, we received the following communiqué which provides the perfect introduction to a special feature we had been planning.

Dear Your Majesty:

We absolutely loved your performance of your smash hit song "It's My Pageant (And I'll Win If I Want To)" at the Honky Tonk Queen Pageant in Atlanta. But we feel so badly for our square dance friends from Quebec and Japan who may understand no English besides the Callerlab program. Would you be so kind as to indulge us with translations?

Your loyal subject,  
Minnie Bizzy

Dear little person: How thoughtful you are of your non-English speaking colleagues to make such a request! Actually, we had already anticipated the need for translations, and through the help of our friends at Google we had the French and Japanese versions all ready to go! Without further ado, here is our tribute to Her Royal Highness Miss Virginia Slim (Honky Tonk Queen 1984, 1985, 1986), "It's My Pageant (And I'll Win If I Want To)"—in French and Japanese:

Personne ne sait pourquoi ces autres sont ici  
Ils sont juste de perdre leur temps  
Tant que je lance ce spectacle  
La couronne va être le mien  
Parce que c'est mon concours et je vais gagner si je veux  
Gagner si je veux  
Gagner si je veux  
Vous pourriez gagner trop si je voulais que vous  
Jouez à tous vos dossiers, garder la synchronisation labiale sur le  
Restez là, dans votre rêve  
Til je suis fatigué de tout cela  
Je suis la reine Honky Tonk  
Parce que c'est mon concours et je vais gagner si je veux  
Gagner si je veux  
Gagner si je veux  
Vous pourriez gagner trop si je voulais que vous  
Lorsque tous les juges de revenir par la porte  
Prêt pour nommer la nouvelle reine  
Eh bien, il devrait y avoir aucune surprise  
Qui est le Honky Tonk Reine  
Parce que c'est mon concours et je vais gagner si je veux

Gagner si je veux  
Gagner si je veux  
Vous pourriez gagner trop si je voulais que vous  
C'est mon concours et je vais gagner si je veux  
Je vais gagner si je veux sacrément bien  
Vous voulez être la reine,  
Allez chercher votre propre spectacle sacrément

誰もがそれらの他の人がここにいる理由知っている  
彼らはちょうど彼らの時間の無駄です  
限り、私はこのショーを実行すると  
王冠は私のものとしている  
私がしたい場合は"原因は私のページェントだと私は勝つだろう  
私がしたい場合は勝つ  
私がしたい場合は勝つ  
私はあなたがしたい場合には、あまりにも勝つことができる  
すべてのレコードを再生する、でリップシンクを保つ  
あなたの夢の中で右そこにとどまる  
"ティル私はすべてをそれ飽き飽きする  
私はホンキートンクの女王です  
私がしたい場合は"原因は私のページェントだと私は勝つだろう  
私がしたい場合は勝つ  
私がしたい場合は勝つ  
私はあなたがしたい場合には、あまりにも勝つことができる  
すべての審査員がドアを通過して戻ってくるときに  
新しい女王に名前を付けるために準備  
まあ、驚きがあってはならない  
ホンキートンク女王は誰ですか?  
私がしたい場合は"原因は私のページェントだと私は勝つだろう  
私がしたい場合は勝つ  
私がしたい場合は勝つ  
私はあなたがしたい場合には、あまりにも勝つことができる  
私がしたい場合には、私のページェントだと私は勝つだろう  
私はいまいまいいよくしたい場合、私は勝つだろう  
あなたは、女王になりたい  
あなた自身のいまいまいいショーを取りに行く

**Lesley Gore-Tex**  
**Queen of Honky-Tonk**

Scooty and his friend Souse-y, the alcoholic Squirrel,  
are busy coming up with themes for crossfire.



Spin Chain and Exchange the Beers  
Walk and Chugg  
Ladies In, Men Gulp Away  
Scoot and Weave and Trip  
California Hurl  
Circle Left Until You Fall Down



# Chi-Town Dance Schedule 2011-2012

Changes in bold

Sat, Feb. 4 ..... 7 pm ..... Bobby Poyner ..... Valentine Dance / **Basic**—Adv.

Sun, March 4 ..... 2 pm ..... Chuck Witt ..... Class Level—Plus Dance

Sun, March 25 ..... 2 pm ..... Ben Rubright ..... Plus—Advanced Dance (C1)

Sun, April 29 ..... 2 pm ..... Barry Clasper ..... Plus—Advanced Dance (C1)

Sun, May 13 ..... 2 pm ..... **Todd Fellegly ..... DANCE CANCELLED**

**???, May ??? ..... ??? ..... Club Callers ..... Graduation Dance (date not yet set)**

Sun, June 10 ..... 2 pm ..... **Dayle Hodge ..... Pride Dance / Plus—C1**

Dances marked (C1) will have C1 tips available based on number of dancers present

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## Crossfire Meeting Feb. 21

The first Crossfire 2012 planning meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 21 at 6:30 pm. The crossfire committee is looking for a Theme and a Logo. They are also looking for volunteers for the committee. Please submit any ideas, or questions, to chair Michael Pemberton at [illinoisgaysqdc@gmail.com](mailto:illinoisgaysqdc@gmail.com) or co-chair Curtis McMillen at [curtismcmillen@gmail.com](mailto:curtismcmillen@gmail.com).

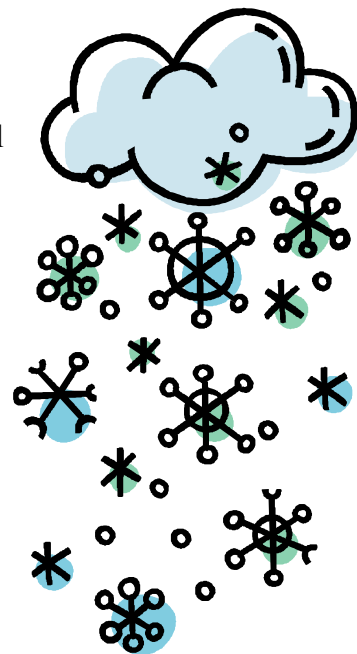
## Winter Cancellation Information

Chi-Town Squares has set up the following notification systems to get the word out if we need to cancel a class or dance.

For the **Thursday night class**, a decision will be made by the class coordinator and teacher before 3 PM to hold class or not, if the weather looks like it may be an issue. An email will go out to the entire club, and then we will attempt to call all regular students and attendees of the class. If you are not sure, you can call **Joel at 847-863-7358**. If he hasn't changed his regular message, dancing is on. He will not be returning calls.

**Monday night dancers** should call Rob Sierzega's home telephone at **773-338-0436** after 3:30 pm if the weather looks threatening. If we are canceling, his message will say so. If he hasn't changed his regular message, dancing is on. He will not be returning calls. Rob has printed out cards to hand out on Monday nights with his phone number and the after 3:30 pm time frame.

**For regular club dances**, a decision will be made as early as possible and a club email will be sent to paid members, if we are to cancel. Also check our various webpages.





# Chi-Town Squares Calendar

## February 2012

All events held at Ebenezer Lutheran church unless otherwise indicated

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 BMP Class	3	4 <b>CTS Dance</b> 7 pm B. Poyner MS—Advanced
5	6 A2/C1	7	8	9 BMP Class	10 <i>A2 S. Bryant Deerfield</i>	11
12	13 A2/C1	14	15	16 BMP Class	17	18
19 <i>Sweetheart Dance</i> 2 pm Roselle	20 A2/C1	21 Crossfire Mtg 6:30	22	23 <b>Styling Class</b> 7:30 pm	24 <i>C1 Maltenfort Deerfield</i>	25 <i>C2/C3A Deerfield</i>
26	27 A2/C1	28	29			

## March 2012

*Italics = Non-CTS event*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 BMP Class	2	3
4 <b>CTS Dance</b> 2 pm Chuck Witt Class-Plus	5 A2/C1	6	7	8 BMP Class	9 <i>A2 Maltenfort Deerfield</i>	10
11	12 A2/C1	13	14	15 BMP Class	16	17
18	19 A2/C1	20	21	22 BMP Class	23 <i>C1 B. Rubright Deerfield</i>	24 <i>C2/C3A Deerfield</i>
25 <b>CTS Dance</b> 2 pm Ben Rubright Plus-Advanced	26 A2/C1	27	28	29 BMP Class	30	31

# Chi-Town Profiles: Ken Jancy

By Bob Siegel

Chi-Town Square experienced a huge loss last November when Ken Jancy, life partner of President Bob Sundal (a.k.a. our First Lady), passed away. Ken suffered a heart attack on November 1, his 61<sup>st</sup> birthday, while preparing to go to a Chi-Town by-laws revision meeting. Paramedics were called and worked on him for a half-hour, but he could not be saved.

Ken was a native Chicagoan, growing up on the South side, and went to school at Gage Park High School and Judson University in Elgin. He eventually opened up his own travel agency, Sky Trails, in Burbank, which he ran for 15 years. After that he worked as a travel agent for AAA until 2002.

Ken met Bob at the Manhandler Saloon in 2001 and became instant friends. Bob had started taking Chi-Town classes in 1999, but had to quit in December because of his busy schedule. But through the encouragement of Manhandler proprietor Jerry Armstrong, long time Chi-Town member and benefactor, Bob and Ken went back to start the class together in 2003. Ken at the time was reluctant, claiming the usual excuse of “having two left feet”, but he was willing to give it a try for a few weeks.

Well, not only did he get the bug for square dancing, but he also stepped up above and beyond the call of duty by volunteering for the club. In the years that followed Ken would:

- Serve on the board of directors 2005-2007
- Become class coordinator for the class year 2005-2006

- Serve as Crossfire co-chair for three years 2006-2008
- Receive the Yellow Rock award (with Bob) in 2005
- Serve as Chi-Town representative for the Metropolitan Chicago Association of Square Dancers

Ken especially relished the role as MCASD rep that he held for the last four years. Ken would speak often and proudly about Chi-Town, encouraging the other clubs to attend our events (including our convention in 2010), which shows now through our active participation in banner stealing and visits. As largest club in the MCASD, people from other clubs would ask Ken what the secret was to our success, as our status over the years went from a “reluctant acceptance” to taking a leadership role within the association.



**Ken Jancy (right) with partner Bob Sundal at the MCASD Pumpkin Ball in October 2010**

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In 2008 when the travel industry had dried up and the economy was in turmoil, Ken found himself unemployed and at a crossroads. After several years of working short-term jobs and being laid off four

times in five years, Ken was doing some soul-searching. Inspired by the energy of Barack Obama’s election campaign, Ken began to rethink his life and career choices, and started to focus on being happy, not just a big paycheck.

Through fate and the kindness of strangers (as he wrote for an article in *Spread & Circulate* in March 2009), Ken found a meaningful position in 2008 as Donations Manager for Howard Brown’s Brown Elephant stores. For the first time he was working for a gay organization, where he can be himself, and felt like he was making a difference.

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# Goodbye, Mary!

By Bob Siegel, Chi-Town Squares

Long time Chi-Town Squares member and friend Merry Mary (Featherston) passed away on December 30. Mary joined Chi-Town Squares in 1990, the third year of our existence, and received her 20 year medallion at our graduation ceremonies in 2010. Unknown to many, Mary did go through the lessons several times and was a Plus level dancer. In recent years however, she served the club as cashier when we had the class on Tuesday (because the Thursday class of course conflicted with her regular happy hour at the Cell Block!) She would occasionally fill in a square when needed.

As cashier, she was a taskmaster! She would not be too happy if you didn't come with exact change, and God forbid if you didn't sign in



Merry Mary at  
Chi-town St. Pat's  
Dance

the proper way. But we certainly appreciated her accuracy, dependability and warm sense of humor. Even during our last Crossfire event in September, she happily filled in a volunteer slot of watching the rooms while the rest of us were on dinner break.

Mary often served as a judge for our Halloween costume contest. She also had us trained to bring in grocery bags for Open Hand, and more recently, made appeals to bring in unused hotel soaps and toiletries.

Mary was honored Chi-Town Squares in 1999 with a plaque of appreciation, in addition in her numerous other accolades. And we will honor her again in July 2012 when her club badge in placed on the memorial panel at the International Association of Square Dance Club's annual convention in Vancouver. Goodbye Mary!

View & Add your memories at:  
[www.iagsdc.org/chitownsquares/html/Angels/Featherston.html](http://www.iagsdc.org/chitownsquares/html/Angels/Featherston.html)

## Ken Jancy (cont).

Despite the troubles Howard Brown has had that remain to this day, Ken found his job there the most the rewarding of any he had.

On December 7, 2011, a memorial was held at Scot's bar at 1829 W Montrose. Over 100 people were there to share their memories of Ken, including square dancers, people from Howard Brown, friends from the bar and many other acquaintances. Bob said another 50 people also expressed their regrets that they couldn't attend. It was a celebration of life that was low key, with some stories being shared for a short time, a memory book for people to write their thoughts, plenty of food and drink, and a final toast and farewell to a dear friend. To see more memories of Ken or to share your own, go to <http://www.iagsdc.org/chitownsquares/html/Angels/memorials.html>.

Ken's other interests besides square dancing included model railroading and antiques. Bob recalls fondly about how Ken was not only his partner, but also his best friend. He said that in the ten years

they were together they only had one brief fight, and that was about Chi-Town Squares! He also says that he misses Ken the most on Wednesdays. With Bob's commitment to the club on most Mondays and Thursdays, and working at Scot's other days, Wednesday was "their" day that they usually would go out for dinner or drinks, and talk for hours.

As is tradition, we will honor Ken by affixing his badge (including his "First Lady" badge) to the memorial panel at the next IAGSDC convention, which will be Vancouver in July. Bob was concerned he would not be able to attend due the cost. But through the efforts of Nancy Vedder, a companion flight offered by Gloria Maile and donations by many other Chi-Town members, we were able to raise enough funds to make sure he will be there. Nancy made this announcement at the holiday dance in December, to a surprised and appreciative Bob. It truly shows how our Chi-Town family supports their own in time of need.

# UPCOMING NATIONAL & REGIONAL EVENTS

03-Feb-05-Feb **Swing Thru the Palms 2012** Flyin. Boots In Squares, Palm Springs, CA  
Callers: Vic Ceder, Mike DeSisto, Kris Jensen

17-Feb-19-Feb **ACDC 2012** A/C Weekend - East Coast. DC Lambda Squares, Washington, DC  
Callers: Clark Baker, Barry Clasper, Todd Felleggy and Ett McAtee

17-Feb-20-Feb **Flip the Flamingo V: Scoot Back to High School** Flyin. Suncoast Squares, St. Petersburg, FL  
Callers: Anne Uebelacker, Chris Phillips, Mike Cox

09-Mar-11-Mar **Rain Festival 2012: Load the Love Boat!** Flyin. Puddletown Squares, Seattle, WA  
Callers: Mike Kellogg and Anne Uebelacker Mike Desisto and Stephen Cole (Saturday Workshops)

16-Mar-18-Mar **Promenade Down Peachtree 10** Flyin. Hotlanta Squares, Atlanta, GA  
Callers: Gary Monday, Chris Burchfield, and Jimmy Roberson

23-Mar-25-Mar **CUT THE EMERALD (20<sup>th</sup> Annual Fly-in)** Independence Squares, Wilmington, DE  
Callers: Betsy Gotta, Ett McAtee, Anne Uebelacker

30-Mar-01-Apr **Arch and Dive Thru 2012- Disco Inferno** Flyin. Gateway Squares, Saint Louis, MO  
Callers: Anne Uebelacker and Saundra Bryant

30-Mar-01-Apr **2012 Spring West Coast Queer Contra Dance Camp**, LCDF, Monte Toyon, Aptos, CA  
Callers: Contra: Chris Ricciotti; English: Lise Dyckman; Band: Perpetual e-Motion; Sound: Nick Cuccia

02-Apr-04-Apr **2012 CALLERLAB Convention** Non-affiliated (gay-friendly). Nashville, TN

13-Apr-15-Apr **Ropin' the River 2012 Turn thru the Tulips** Flyin. Grand River Squares, Grand Rapids, Michigan  
Callers: Saundra Bryant and Gary Monday

27-Apr-29-Apr **2012 Spring LCDF Gender Role Free Contra Dance Camp**, LCDF, Woodstock, CT  
Callers: contra calling by Sue Rosen; English country dances Yonina Gordon

04-May-06-May **Pass the Ocean, Hon! 2012** Flyin. Chesapeake Squares, Rehoboth Beach, Delaware  
Callers: TBA

11-May-13-May **Pioneer Promenade III** Flyin. Temple Squares, Salt Lake City, UT  
Callers: Anne Uebelacker and Saundra Bryant

18-May-20-May **Stumptown Stomp 2012** Flyin. Capital City Squares, Guernville, CA  
Callers: Michael Kellogg and Barry Clasper

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24-May-27-May **Silver Belles & Beaus: 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Fly-In.** Triangle Squares, Toronto, Ontario  
Callers: Joe Uebelacker, Anne Uebelacker

20-Jun-23-Jun **AACE** A/C Weekend Non-affiliated (gay-friendly) , Indianapolis, IN  
Callers: Sandie Bryant, Vic Ceder, Barry Clasper, Todd Felleggy, Ross Howell, Anne Uebelacker, Ben Rubright, et al.

29-Jun-02-Jul **Dance Up A Storm - The 29<sup>th</sup> Annual IAGSDC Convention**, Vancouver, Canada

31-Aug-03-Sep **The Great Chicago Crossfire 2012** Flyin, Chi-Town Squares, Chicago, IL  
Callers: Saundra Bryant, Anne Uebelacker, Kris Jensen, John Oldfield, and others

07-Sep-09-Sep **Pass the Sea 2012** Fly-in, Finest City Squares, San Diego, CA  
Callers: Michael Kellogg, Darren Gallina, Buddy Weaver