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Temple Squares

A square dance club for gays and lesbians and their friends

Issue 1; April / May 2010

Pioneer Promenade I

emple Squares, Utah's only gay square dance club, held it's first "Fly-In" dubbed "Pioneer Promenade I" over the Easter weekend. For those not familiar with the term, a "Fly-In" is a weekend event that provides opportunities to square dance and meet new people. These are so called because out-of-town dancers often fly in for the weekend.

Pioneer Promenade I began with a Trail-In dance at the Columbus Center in South Salt Lake. This dance marked "the end of the dusty trail" for folks following the trail into town from all around. It provided a chance for everyone to warm up and get to know one another before the main events on Saturday. The Trails-In dance began at 7:30pm with opportunities to dance at levels Mainstream, Plus and Advanced.

On Saturday, new Mainstream dancers were able to hone their dance skills with a Mainstream workshop called by the fabulous Anne Uebelacker. Anne covered a number of calls that had been giving the new dancers some difficulty. By the end of the morning, everyone was dancing like a pro.

Fly-In attendees were on their own for lunch. Many heading back to their hotels to rest while others went out to eat.

Afternoon sessions began with Challenge level dancing at 1:30pm. Dancers from the Rocky Mountain Rainbeaus (Denver's Gay Club) were joined by some local Challenge dancers making two squares on the dance floor.

At the end of the Challenge dance, Bob

"We would not have survived as a club without their assistance."

and Penny Young were honored with lifetime Temple Squares memberships for services to the club. "We would not have survived as a club without their assistance during our first year," said Dan Fahndrich, Temple Squares President.

Bob passed away in 2009. His Temple

of the International Association Of Gay Square Dance Clubs, in Chicago this coming July.

The afternoon sessions continued with an Advanced dance from 3:30-5:30pm. We were joined by Craig Satterthwaite, Caller for the A-Sharps, and his wife Sandi; one square on the floor.

T-shirts ordered for the event were delivered by Jane Houghton of Defining Designs.

With the afternoon sessions over, it was time to set-up for the dinner/pot luck. The food was set out and dining began at 6:00pm. Dan Fahndrich did a wonderful job of coordinating food for the event. Everyone seemed to agree that Brenda's eggplant enchiladas were the bomb!

The Mainstream graduation ceremony began at 7:15pm. Each graduate was asked to come up to the front of the room

Marianne Hagen and Robert Rickman at Pioneer Promenade I





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"Weave The Ring"







"Swing Thru"



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Travis Gregory & Robert Rickman



Ross Crawshaw-Lopton & Anne Uebelacker



Anne teaching a call during the Mainstream workshop

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to receive their diploma and official Temple Squares name badge. In all, there were 6 graduates; Robert Rickman, Roque Salas, Marianne Hagen, Amy Shelton, Don Demke and Logan Brueck.

"I will long remember dancing with a big orange balloon between my legs for the new class induction ceremony."

Karl Jaeckel

Each graduate was asked to select a balloon and inflate it in preparation for their "Graduates Dance." Once the graduates were ready to go, other dancers joined them, giving us 2 squares on the floor. The graduates, as well as a few of the other dancers, placed the balloons between their knees and attempted to complete the calls from both Anne and Ross. It was a fun graduation ceremony. Karl Jaeckel said he will long remember dancing with a big orange balloon between his legs for the new class induction ceremony.

All of those who have never square danced were invited for "A

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Anne Uebelacker

Anne started calling in 1977 for a children's group and has progressed to call for all levels from Basic to C4.



A strong "home" program for Squares Across the Border [Vancouver, BC] Monday through Thursday complements an equally busy traveling schedule on the week-ends

that may find her calling anywhere from Vancouver to Florida, Boston to San Francisco and across the miles to Japan and Europe.

Some of the calling highlights she is really proud of include her calling assignments at the numerous IAGSDC Conventions in Canada and the United States, the Canadian Challenge Convention, the National Challenge Convention, and the Academy of Advanced and Challenge Enthusiasts.

Anne's relaxed style and easy listening voice have won her many square dance friends at all dancing levels all over the world.

Anne resides in Burnaby, British Columbia.



Calendar of Events

APRIL

2 Friday

Pioneer Promenade I, This Is The Place

where: Columbus Community Center Salt Lake City, UT

caller: Anne Uebelacker

club: Temple Squares

3 Saturday

Pioneer Promenade I, This Is The Place

where: Columbus Community Center Salt Lake City, UT

caller: Anne Uebelacker

club: Temple Squares

4 Sunday

Pioneer Promenade I, This Is The Place

where: Club Try-Angles Salt Lake City, UT

caller: Anne Uebelacker

club: Temple Squares

9 Friday

Special April Party Dance 7:00-9:30pm

where: First Unitarian Church Denver, CO caller: Anne Uebelacker club: Rocky Mountain Rainbeaus

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10 Saturday

Special April Party Dance 3:00-9:30pm

where: First Unitarian Church Denver, CO

caller: Anne Uebelacker *club:* Rocky Mountain Rainbeaus

16 Friday

Club Dance 7:00-9:00pm where: Sacred Light of Christ Church MCC Salt Lake City, UT

caller: Ross Crawshaw-Lopton

club: Temple Squares

24 Saturday

April Party Dance 3:00-9:30pm

where: First Unitarian Church Denver, CO

caller: Rick Gittleman

club: Rocky Mountain Rainbeaus

30 Friday

Club Dance 7:00-9:00pm

where: Sacred Light of Christ Church MCC Salt Lake City, UT

caller: Ross Crawshaw-Lopton

club: Temple Squares

MAY

7 Friday

Club Dance 7:00-9:00pm

where: Sacred Light of Christ Church MCC Salt Lake City, UT

caller: Ross Crawshaw-Lopton

club: Temple Squares

14 Friday

Club Dance 7:00-9:00pm

where: Sacred Light of Christ Church MCC Salt Lake City, UT

caller: Ross Crawshaw-Lopton

club: Temple Squares

22 Saturday

May Party Dance 3:00-9:30pm

where: First Unitarian Church Denver, CO

caller: Don Furnish

28 Friday

Club Dance 7:00-9:00pm

where: Sacred Light of Christ Church MCC Salt Lake City, UT

caller: Ross Crawshaw-Lopton

club: Temple Squares

Taste of a Square Dancing" where basic square dance calls were taught during the Saturday night dance. At one time during the evening, we had four squares on the floor!

Sunday's dance space was donated by Club Try-Angles. Square dancers whirled and twirled from 11am until 1pm. After the dance, the out of town participants headed back to their home cities. The weekend closed with great memories and many new friends.

Special thanks to: Columbus Center, Club Try-Angles, Defining Designs, and all our friends who came and supported the event.