



# Temple Squares

**A square dance club** for gays and lesbians and their friends

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## President's Message

By Greg Kulicke-Paiz

ARE YOU READY TO GET ACTIVE?



Welcome to the start of another active year of gay square dancing with Temple Squares here in Salt Lake City! I like to think of our group as "active", not just because square dancing is an energetic and fun physical activity, but because we are actively involved in the local LGBT community, and we intend to be even more active this year in terms of planned activities, too!

Starting in October, near Halloween, we will hold our first monthly party dance night. These dance nights will emphasize integrating the calls we have learned and just having fun! We will also invite other area callers to participate on our dance

nights so that our own, Ross, can dance with us and allow us to experience the challenge and fun of another caller's cadence, voice and choreography. Being a strong enough club to do these dance nights has been a dream for some of us for a number of years!

Our Tuesday lesson nights, starting this Fall, will include multiple levels, which should make them even more enjoyable for all our dancers. For our new folks, we have an exceptional caller and instructor in Ross Crawhaw-Lopton. He provided beginning (Mainstream) lessons to me, my husband, and the others in our first local class three years ago and I have seen him grow and improve

in this role since then. For our returning dancers, we also plan to incorporate Mainstream and Plus tips from 7:00 – 7:30 on Tuesday nights. I hope that our returning dancers will take advantage of this extra floor time to make us an even stronger dancing group. And I intend to make sure that we have plenty of snacks and beverages on hand every Tuesday night for us all to savor!

We want to be flexible and helpful. If the cost of the lessons is an issue, if you have a scheduling conflict or any other concerns during your time with us, please feel free to speak confidentially

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*Temple Squares Members*

*Photo taken at*

*Pioneer Promenade 2*





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### *Temple Squares Officers*

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**President**—Greg Kulicke-Paiz

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**Treasurer**—Marianna Hagen

**Event Coordinator**—

Dan Fahndrich

**Promotions & Marketing**—

Roque Salas

### *Photo Credits*



Ross Crawshaw-Lopton

### *Birthdays*

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Roque Salas—September 10

Garth Snyder—October 31

Dan Fahndrich—October 31

## Convention Update

By: Justin Crawshaw-Lopton

I hope everyone is looking forward with excitement to our IAGSDC convention in 2014.

### **Current Status**

The convention committee is hard at work (or is that hardly working) on the 2014 IAGSDC convention to be held here in Salt Lake City. We have incorporated as Follow the Yellow Brick Road, Inc., and are working on our application for 501c3 non-profit status with the IRS, and non-taxed not for profit status with the state.

We have a signed contract with the Grand America as our host location, and have just recently had contact with our assigned Convention Services Manager at the hotel, Kathryn Jennings. Kathryn will be working with us throughout the remainder of the convention planning process and the convention itself.



*Grand America Hotel*

### **Convention Name**

We need your assistance as members of the club to choose a name for our convention. The general rule has been that the convention name is a play on words using all or part of the name of a square dance call.

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with myself or others in leadership about your individual situation.

LGBT square dancing holds several valuable benefits. For all of us, it provides opportunities to make new friends and feel like part of a "family". Everyone in our club, from long-time members, to new participants, should know that there are people who care and will be there to help. As someone in a committed same-sex relationship, I value the companionship square dancing provides in an environment where I can be myself and have fun with my husband and friends. For singles, it has even proven to be an opportunity to find a partner (just talk to Ross and Justin!)

My life is actively richer because of my Temple Squares friends. Yours will be too!



You can find a fairly comprehensive list of square dance calls posted on the Temple Squares website.

Convention names as listed on the IAGSDC website: "*All Join Hands*", "*Promenade Along The Rockies*", "*Star Thru The Golden Gate*", "*Explode The Rose*", "*Cross Trails In The Desert*", "*Peel The Apple*", "*North Star Promenade*", "*Cast A Shadow In The Sun*", "*Diamonds In The Desert*", "*Remake The Circle*", "*Stars And Squares Forever*", "*Track 2 Chicago*", "*Stars, Thars and Cable Cars*", "*Wheel And Deal*", "*Weave The Rose*", "*Lights, Camera, Linear Action!*", "*Crack The Crab*", "*Make Magic*", "*Cloverleaves And Maple Leafs*", "*Anchors Aweigh With A Half Sashay*", "*Remake The Heatwave*", "*Star Thru the Silicon Galaxy*", "*When You Wish Upon A Thar*", "*Red Rocks and Purple Mountains*", "*Touch a Quarter Century*", "*DC Diamond Circulate*", "*Chi-Town Shakedown*", "*Gone with the Windmill*", "*Dance Up A Storm*", "*Weave Your Heart In San Francisco*".

We have not decided the exact method we will use to select the final name, but there will be an award of some sort for the person that proposes the final winner.

Please email your suggestions to:

[Follow-the-Yellow-Brick-Road@googlegroups.com](mailto:Follow-the-Yellow-Brick-Road@googlegroups.com)

### **Additional assistance opportunities**

We need someone to be our web master for the 2014 convention. If anyone in the club has experience, and would be interested, please let us know. We need to begin this ASAP so that people can see the information we currently have available for them, and so we can add more information as it becomes available.

We are interested in partnering with local LGBT businesses for discounted services in exchange for advertising in our convention materials. If you know of a specific business that might be interested, send us a note. Some services that we will use include printing, signage, and food & beverage for the Fun Badge Tour.



We will also need help at Vancouver's convention next summer for 50/50 raffle & manning a registration table for our convention. In order to help with this, you will need to be attending the Vancouver Convention. Remember to order your passport NOW if you want to go and do not have a passport already. Passport requests are processed by the US Post Office. Check the [usps.com](http://usps.com) website for locations that handle this process, as not all offices do so.

Join me in welcoming 1000 friends to our 2014 party here in Salt Lake City!

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## **New Dancer Convention Incentive**

Each year the IAGSDC hosts an annual convention at various cities throughout the United States and Canada. As clubs continue to grow, they offer square dance classes to new dancers. Many times these classes just before convention and the new dancer is at the highest registration level for that convention making it less appealing to pay the highest registration for a first time convention experience.

Thanks to a special donation from *Star Thru the Silicon Galaxy 2005*, All Join Hands announces the New Dancer Convention Incentive Program.

Recently graduated new dancers who have never attended an IAGSDC Convention in the past, may register for their first IAGSDC Convention at the lowest registration rate available, after the early bird rate, for that convention.

Check with Ross for additional details.





# Calendar of Events



## SEPTEMBER

10 Saturday

**"Taste" of Square Dancing 7:30—9:30pm**

where: Columbus Community Center  
Salt Lake City, UT

caller: Ross Crawshaw-Lopton

club: Temple Squares

13 Tuesday

**Mainstream Class 7:00—9:00pm**

where: Columbus Community Center  
Salt Lake City, UT

caller: Ross Crawshaw-Lopton

club: Temple Squares

20 Tuesday

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caller: Ross Crawshaw-Lopton

club: Temple Squares

27 Tuesday

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Salt Lake City, UT

caller: Ross Crawshaw-Lopton

club: Temple Squares

30 Friday

**Mountain Mix 2011**

where: Snow Mountain Ranch  
Colorado

Caller(s): Vic Ceder, Bear Miller,  
Bronc Wise, & Don Furnish

club: Rocky Mountain Rainbeaus

## OCTOBER

1 Saturday

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Bronc Wise, & Don Furnish

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2 Sunday

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11 Tuesday

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caller: Ross Crawshaw-Lopton

club: Temple Squares

18 Tuesday

**Mainstream Class 7:00-9:00pm**

where: Columbus Community Center  
Salt Lake City, UT

caller: Ross Crawshaw-Lopton

club: Temple Squares

22 Saturday

**Club Dance 7:00-9:00pm**

where: Columbus Community Center  
Salt Lake City, Utah

caller: Ross Crawshaw-Lopton

club: Temple Squares



25 Tuesday

**Mainstream Class 7:00-9:00pm**

where: Columbus Community Center  
Salt Lake City, UT

caller: Ross Crawshaw-Lopton

club: Temple Squares

