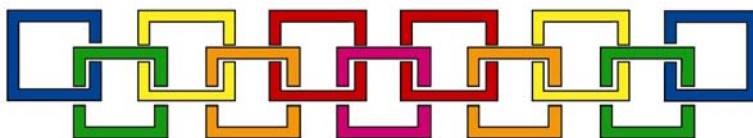


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For complete details and other information on the IAGSDC®, please go to the interactive web site at:

<http://www.iagsdc.org/>

### Contact Information

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### List Server

So you want to keep in touch with the square dance community? Want to know what is going on with your fellow square dancers?

Want to share your opinions? Locate friends? Thank the convention committee? Here is your chance to do it all on-line.

Welcome to the IAGSDC® list service. If you have a computer and email you can hear what your friends are saying, keep up on the latest events and even make new friends.

It is really quite easy to do. Using your web browser, go to...

[http://all8.com/mailman/listinfo/lgcwsd\\_all8.com](http://all8.com/mailman/listinfo/lgcwsd_all8.com)

Where prompted, enter your email address, a password and enter. An email will be sent to you that you then need to reply to. Congrats! You are now part of the group.

Have fun and send a yellowrock by email  
Keith Gehrig

### Chairs ~ Past & Present



John McKinstry & Scott Parker ~ spotted by the paparazzi somewhere in the tropics.

### IAGSDC® Logo Specifications

#### How to Use the IAGSDC® Logo

The IAGSDC® logo is a carefully designed element which must be used as a complete unit, never alter it. The logo is a series of 11

alternating interlocking boxes with the end boxes on the top. The words 'International Association' above, and 'Of Gay Square Dance Clubs®' below, evenly spaced in Times New Roman caps. The tag line 'A Lesbian and Gay Organization' centered under the logo in Times New Roman italic, title case. The color logo is designed with a black stroke around the colors to define the edges but the footprint of the black and color logos are identical.

#### Color

The Logos are designed for both black and color applications but are not interchangeable. When you are printing a multiple color project the color logo is preferred.

#### Please DO NOT use the color logo in a black and white or grayscale application.

The logo should be used over a clean, simple background or may be placed into a box to maintain its visual effectiveness. The multiple box colors should not be changed in any way from the original design.

#### Limited Color

When you are printing with limited color, the black logo may be used with a color fill, for example, the black logo maybe printed in blue ink.

#### Using the logo as a stencil

The logo may be used as a stencil when it makes best sense for your application, for example, one color printing jobs.

#### Area of Isolation

Open space should always surround the logo. Other design elements should not be placed in close proximity, where they would compete and distract. Therefore, a minimum distance of one-half the height of the logo must be allowed above, below and to the sides of the logo. Also, never use the logo as a prefix to a product or group name, nor in a headline or sentence. (In such instances, use the name IAGSDC®, but not in logo form.) It is important to maintain sharp, clear, undistorted characteristics when reproducing our logo. The logo can be reduced in size.

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However, for purposes of consistency and clarity, a minimum size of 2 inches (50mm) width is specified. In special cases where a logo smaller than 2 inches is needed, contact the IAGSDC® Board

If you are not using one of the following 3 logo's you are using the wrong one. Please go to the IAGSDC® website to download the correct version.

### Black Logo



### Color Logo



### Limited Color Logo



### Stenciled Logo



### Saving Clubs Money

If your club is currently paying for web hosting, consider using your included web hosting service on the IAGSDC® server.

The IAGSDC® includes a free website in your club membership package. You have control over the content, and can maintain the site yourselves. Many clubs are already using this free service.

### What would the club website address be?

The default would be [http://www.iagsdc.org/<club\\_name>](http://www.iagsdc.org/<club_name>).

For example:

<http://www.iagsdc.org/chi-townsquares>.

### What if we want a .com web address?

You can purchase a .com address for your site (for example, [www.clubname.com](http://www.clubname.com)) and then just point that to your free web site. All you pay for is the registration of the name - usually around \$9 per year.

### How much space do we get for files?

It will vary depending on the number of clubs hosted, but at the moment sites have access to between 50MB and 100MB each. Depending on the number of users, we may have to restrict this further, but we don't expect to have to do that any time soon. Most sites use far less than 50MB.

### Can we run scripts?

Yes, you can use PHP on your site, or you can run CGI scripts (I cannot offer any support/help with CGI content - sorry!)

### Can we have a database?

That depends on demand. We are able to give a limited number of clubs their own MySQL database. Currently, we have plenty of capacity.

### More information

For questions, or if you want to set up a free site for your club, email me at [webmaster@iagsdc.org](mailto:webmaster@iagsdc.org).

Danny

IAGSDC® Webmaster

### A Humorous Look At Convention Terms

In my ongoing effort to bring education and laughter to all square dancers (well, not you, Tami), I give you my personal observations on the "strange terms" that Allen Hurst sent in his one of his past e-mails.

Honky Tonk Queen - a "contest" of sorts where the only real talent that you need is witty repartee!. Also, in my personal case, falling down and kicking your wig to the curb doesn't hurt either.

Fun Badge Tour - a hateful, mean-spirited, evil way at getting back at all those dancers who have bitched about something at the Convention. Usually held in the wee hours of the morning, traditionally following a long evening of dancing and debauchery. Claims to be helpful in exploring the host city, but is really an excuse to see all of the dancers at

their absolute worst, hung over, tired, and really, really cranky. That's why I've only been on 1, and I helped run that one!

Moonshine Tip - Naked. Nude. Sans clothing. An opportunity to see all your square dance friends in all their glory, shortcomings and long suits exposed. This can be a lot of fun, if you take the time to consume lots of moonshine BEFORE the dance. Oops, my outside voice. I know WE don't drink and dance. It's not safe. (badump bump ching)

Grand March - There are really 2 definitions for this:

For Convention Virgins - A moving event, showing that you are not alone in this wild thing known as gay square dancing. Colorful flags and colorful club outfits of all kinds, much dancing, moving tributes, music and fun.

For Jaded Conventioneers - A long and tedious time, getting organized, finding all your dancers, making sure they are in their club uniform, chastising them if they're not, walking around a room, square, etc., endlessly. Being bullied by Grand March Nazis, who themselves usually don't REALLY have a clue what they are supposed to be doing. Then you get to stand and dance with people who shouldn't ever darken a dance hall, breaking down the square after the 2nd call. Loads of fun, Really.

Stepmother Medallion - awarding of medallions to the folks who have stuck it out through thick and thin for more than 10 years. I keep mine with my 52 name badges and 1,500 earrings, of which 1,490 have no matches.

Bradley Bell - A useful and informative compilation of names, addresses, e-mail and phone numbers for square dancers all over the world. See, you thought I was going to be hateful -- but I really can't be hateful about this, I've used mine incessantly.

Golden Boot - An annual award given by last year's winner for outstanding contributions to the square dance world. You'll note that I will never win this. Cuz people don't like me. But that's okay. I'm not hurt. (sniff sniff) Plus, the only thing I contribute to is the

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SheDevil Home for the Cosmetically Incontinent, which we hope to open soon.

Bathing Beauties - Grown men in grown women's swimwear, parading through the common areas of the host hotel, and around the pool (if there is one). Chased out of many a pool area by backward-thinking hotel employees who don't appreciate the time and care taken by the Bathing Beauties to FIND women's swimwear that will fit them. And for some of us, that's a lot of stepping!

The opinions enclosed herein do not reflect the attitudes and representations of the IAGSDC®, or anyone else really. They are the rantings and ravings of an old HTQ who's medicated up to her earlobes.

Michael Blizzard (aka: Lois)

#### From the Chair

It is hard to believe that we are already into 2006. Soon we will be celebrating another convention in Anaheim with all the wonderful events and people we have come to associate with our annual gathering.

It would not be Convention without the usual meetings that some of us get to attend. With this in mind, I would like to address a couple of issues.

When I send out the agenda for the Delegates meeting, to each club please (if you do not already do this) discuss the items on the agenda with your club officers and membership. This way when you do vote you will have a better idea as to how they wish you to vote.

There will be two positions up for election this year. ~ Treasurer and Chair. **Also please do not forget that the delegates meeting is being held on Friday 30 June at 2.00 p.m.** Yes that is a change from when we have traditionally met. We hope that this will not be an inconvenience to any of you and that you will all be able to attend.

If there are any dancers who are also members of their local Rodeo or Country dancing associations who are attending convention in Anaheim and would like to attend (as non-voting participants) the delegates meeting we would be happy to recognize you at that meeting. We feel that it

is important that we establish and maintain close ties with these organizations.

Certainly many of the clubs within the IAGSDC® are in the position of not attracting new members in numbers that we did say 10 years ago. As such, we need to maintain closer ties with any organization that can help us and we them.

If you are interested in attending the Delegates meeting in that capacity please let me know. You can go to the IAGSDC® web site: [www.iagsdc.org](http://www.iagsdc.org) and email the Chairperson (that would be me John Mckinstry) directly on the Web page. That way I will be able to recognize you at our meeting.

The officers of the IAGSDC® had their annual mid term meeting in Vancouver B.C. in January. As four of the officers live within driving distance of Vancouver we thought it would be the least expensive option for our meeting. While in the past we have all flown to a fly-in to have this meeting, we decided to have it here this year. We met for over 6 hours and accomplished a lot. There are many projects underway, including more continued work on the Web site (Thank you Danny Lee!) & a new updated IAGSDC® brochure.

There are many opportunities to volunteer within your own club and within the IAGSDC®. There will soon be a form on the Web Site that you can access to tell us what you feel you can bring to this great organization we belong to.

I am looking forward to seeing you all again in Anaheim. Until then have fun Square dancing wherever you do it.

John Mckinstry  
IAGSDC® Chair

#### IAGSDC® Event Calendar

04-May-2006 ~ 07-May-2006

**Pass The Ocean Hon - 20th Anniversary** (Flyin) Rehoboth Beach, Delaware **Callers:** S.Bryant, E.McAtee, A.Uebelaker, D.Hodge, M. DeSisto. **URL:** [www.iagsdc.org/chesapeakeesquares](http://www.iagsdc.org/chesapeakeesquares)  
**Email:** chesapeakeesquares@yahoo.com

12-May-2006 ~ 14-May-2006

**Spring Dance Camp** (Non-affiliated (gay) Woodstock, CT **Callers:** Donna Hunt (Contras), Dean Allemang (English), Andy Shore (Squares), Spank Me (Live Band) **URL:** <http://www.lcfd.org/lcfd/camp/>  
**Email:** camp@lcfd.org

19-May-2006 ~ 21-May-2006

**Stumptown Stomp 2006** (Flyin) Guerneville, CA **Callers:** Eric Henerlau from Corte Madera and Mike DeSisto.  
**URL:** [www.iagsdc.org/capitalcitysquares/](http://www.iagsdc.org/capitalcitysquares/)  
**Email:** jpinsac@pacbell.net

20-May-2006 ~ 20-May-2006

**Community Dance** (Special Club Event) Takoma Park, MD **Callers:** Jim Wass  
**URL:** [www.dclambdasquares.org](http://www.dclambdasquares.org)  
**Email:** info@dclambdasquares.org

26-May-2006 ~ 28-May-2006

**Frankie Goes to Hollywood North** (Flyin) Toronto, Ontario **Callers:** Barry Clasper and Dayle Hodge  
**URL:** [www.iagsdc.org/trianglesquares](http://www.iagsdc.org/trianglesquares)  
**Phone:** 416-762-9257  
**Email:** Scoot2006@hotmail.com

10-Jun-2006 ~ 10-Jun-2006

**Pride Dance** (Special Club Event) Chicago, IL **Callers:** Sandie Bryant **URL:** [www.iagsdc.org/chi-townsquares/html/whats\\_new.html#dance](http://www.iagsdc.org/chi-townsquares/html/whats_new.html#dance)  
**Phone:** 773-463-3759  
**Email:** chi-townsquares@sbcglobal.net

14-Jun-2006 ~ 17-Jun-2006 **AACE**

**(Academy for Advanced and Challenge Enthusiasts)** (Straight) Aurora, OH **Callers:** S. Bryant, V. Ceder, B. Clasper, R. Howell, M. Jacobs, L. Kopman, B. Rubright, L. Sparks  
**URL:** [www.theaace.com](http://www.theaace.com)  
**Phone:** (502) 241-6438  
**Email:** sparky@sparkcenterprises.com

13-Jul-2006 ~ 15-Jul-2006

**15th Canadian National Square Dance Convention** (Straight) Montreal QC **Callers:** Various Callers - National & International **URL:** [www.geocities.com/convention2006](http://www.geocities.com/convention2006)  
**Phone:** (514) 630-1131  
**Email:** glenda.lacey@sympatico.ca

02-Aug-2006 ~ 04-Aug-2006

**Rendez-Vous Montréal - 1st World OutGames** (Non-affiliated ~gay) Montreal,

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QC Canada Callers: T. Crawford, B. Eyles, T. Fellegly, N. Martellacci, D. Moger, D. St. Jean, A. Uebelacker

URL: [www.montreal2006.org](http://www.montreal2006.org)

Phone: (613) 224-7787

Email: [rticboy@magma.ca](mailto:rticboy@magma.ca)

18-Aug-2006 ~ 20-Aug-2006

#### August 2006 C3B Dance Weekend!

(Non-affiliated ~ gay-friendly) Cherry Ridge Campground, Honesdale, PA Callers: Ett McAtee and Linda Kendall NOTE: Book early. Rooms will sell out. Campground is sold out every year. Book now.

URL: [www.cherryridgecampsites.com/](http://www.cherryridgecampsites.com/)

Phone: 443-745-1709

Email: [ettandlinda@comcast.net](mailto:ettandlinda@comcast.net)

01-Sep-2006 ~ 04-Sep-2006

#### The Great Chicago Crossfire XVII:

Caught in the Crossfire (Flyin) Chicago, IL

Callers: Sandie Bryant, Anne Uebelacker

URL: [www.iagsdc.org/chi-townsquares](http://www.iagsdc.org/chi-townsquares)

Phone: (847) 459-8265

Email: [esiegel1547@wowway.com](mailto:esiegel1547@wowway.com)

08-Sep-2006 ~ 10-Sep-2006

#### Make Waves for Ducklings (Flyin) Boston

Callers: Bill Eyles & Ken Ritucci

URL: [www.lcfid.org/bu](http://www.lcfid.org/bu)

Phone: 617.288.8816

Email: [bostonuncommons@yahoo.com](mailto:bostonuncommons@yahoo.com)

### What the Future Holds

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#### When You Wish Upon A Thar

The 23rd Annual IAGSDC® Convention.

Friday, June 30 - Monday, July 3, 2006

The Anaheim Marriott Hotel

Anaheim, California



Dance Levels: Mainstream thru C4

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David Mee, Deborah Carroll-Jones,

Jack Borgstrom, Michael Kellogg,

Mike Desisto, Mike Jacobs,

Sandra Bryant, Tim Crawford,  
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2007

#### Red Rocks & Purple Mountains

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Friday, July 3 – 6, 2008

Cleveland, OH

2009

The 26th Annual IAGSDC® Convention.

Friday, July 3 – 6, 2008

Washington, DC

### IAGSDC MAILING SERVICE

The next mailing will be in early June. Please make note of these three very important details.

1. DO NOT send materials to the Association's PO Box in Denver. They will not end up in the mailing if you do so. Mail all materials you want included in the mailing to:

Scott Philips  
IAGSDC Club Mailing  
8229 SW 42nd Avenue  
Portland, OR 97219

2. To be included in the June mailing, materials need to ARRIVE at my address BY Friday, June 02, 2006. Anything arriving after that date will be held for the next mailing.

3. You need to send 70 copies of whatever you want mailed. WE DO NOT DO THE COPYING FOR YOU! If you want more

than one copy included in each envelope, send enough copies (eg. - for 3 copies per envelope: 3 x 70 = 210).

IAGSDC® member clubs/organizations can take advantage of this mailing service to send out such things as club newsletters, fly-in brochures, convention information, etc.

Scott Philips  
IAGSDC® Secretary

### IAGSDC® Web Site—Club Information Updates

#### About Your Club's Information

Each member club is responsible for updating their contact name(s), email address(es), and other club information on the IAGSDC® site. To see who is currently responsible for updating your club records, go to <http://www.iagsdc.org>, click on CLUBS, find your club in the list, and click on FAST FACTS. Look for the MAIN CONTACT on that page.

The main contact for your club must have an IAGSDC® profile in order to update the club record, and must contact IAGSDC® to be granted access.

#### Creating a Profile

Go to <http://www.iagsdc.org> and click on MY PROFILE. Select CREATE YOUR ACCOUNT AND PROFILE and then follow the instructions to create and activate your account.

#### Becoming the Main Contact

The appropriate contact must email [webmaster@iagsdc.org](mailto:webmaster@iagsdc.org) and ask to be made the main contact for the club. They must already have a profile created on the IAGSDC® site.

#### Updating Your Club's Information

The main contact must log in to the website at <http://www.iagsdc.org>. They should then go to CLUBS, and click on the FAST FACTS link for their club. At the bottom of the screen you will see a link that lets you edit the club information.

NOTE: If you are not the main contact listed, or you're not logged in to your profile, this link will NOT appear on the page.

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Click the edit link and then update the form that is displayed.

### **Feedback**

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