



30th Illinois SD Convention News

June-July 2013

Illinois 30th Annual Square & Round Dance Convention

Friday, July 26 to
Sunday, July 28, 2013

Featured Caller
Tom Miller

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Barry & Anita Johnson

Convention Newsletter
Janice Cha

Decorating
Toni Macknica & Frankie Terry

*These are just a few of the people
donating their time and talents to
making the Convention a success.*



King Neptune's Ball To 'Anchor' Illinois SD Convention's Saturday Night Party

Dancing under the sea (figuratively) is the theme of the Illinois Square and Round Dance Convention's big theme party Saturday evening. This is your chance to dust off your tuxedo, unwrap your fancy evening dresses, pull out the pearls—or, if you choose, come costumed in a Sea-Worthy outfit—and have a Ball dancing to calls by Tom Miller and friends.

King Neptune's Ball begins at 7 p.m. on Saturday, July 27.

"Get Smarter" At Sessions

Educational sessions slated for **Saturday, July 27**, will make you a better dancer, or help your club—or both!

10 a.m. - Dance Styling—Add Some Pizzazz!

- Caller **Arlene Kaspik** will show you some of the ChiTown Squares' trademark styling, focusing on Grand Square, Weave the Ring and Square Through. [Butler Room]

10 a.m. - Sewing Clinic - 'Make A Purse' -

Hands-on sewing for fashionable square dancers. [Waterford Room]

11 a.m. - SCISDA Website e3 YOU -

How are you getting dancers to your dances—word-of-mouth, fliers, local ads...? Now add technology to your gameplan! **Jim Winslow** will show how to use the SCISDA website to advertise. [Cambridge Room]

11:30 a.m. - Sewing Clinic - 'Fringe a

Shirt/Cover a Belt' - Hands-on sewing for fashionable square dancers. [Waterford Room]

2:30 p.m. - Software Tips For Callers e3

Cuers - **Barry Johnson** will demonstrate SqView and Audacity software used by callers and cuers, including showing how to record music from vinyl, edit and play it in SqView. [Cambridge Room]

1 p.m. - Sewing Clinic - 'Going Bandanas' -

Hands-on sewing for fashionable sq dancers. [Waterford Room]



THURSDAY TRAIL-IN DANCE:



Benefit For Family of Tom Dillander

Tom
Dillander, a
longtime

leader in the nation's square dance community, co-owner of Palomino Records/ Hanhurst's Music Service, and founder of Dosido.com, passed away Feb. 7, 2013, from injuries sustained after a boiler accident at his workplace.

Tom's time in Intensive Care after the accident racked up steep medical bills that his family continues to grapple with.

To show support from Tom's many Illinois square dancing friends, proceeds from the Illinois SD Convention's Trail-In Dance will be donated to Tom's wife, Pam Dillander.

The Trail-In Dance will feature Tom Miller with Bob Asp, Curt Braffet, Tom Davis, Tom Manning and Bobby Poyner. Cuing will be provided by Ron & June Ashenden.

Trail-In Benefit Dance Party

Thursday, July 25

7:50 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Oak Brook Hills Marriott

Admission: \$20 per couple; \$10 per single

Flooring Team Volunteers Urgently Needed

The Illinois SD Convention Flooring Team is urgently seeking volunteers to help assemble—and then take apart—this year’s dance floors.

Each individual floor panel is small, light (made of sturdy plastic) and easy to carry. But there are a LOT of panels to snap together, and in eight dance halls, too.

The Convention Flooring Team is urgently seeking dancers who can donate **two hours on Thursday, July 25, morning or afternoon, and/or two hours on Sunday, July 28, afternoon**. Some volunteers will be carrying panels to assembly points, others will be on the ground snapping them together. To put it simply, if you can dance, you're able to help make a floor. :-)

Thursday’s Floor Assembly Party will begin at 10 a.m. and continue until floors are finished. (Pizza will be served, we hear.) **Sunday’s Floor Break-Down Party will begin around 2:30 p.m.** Wear comfortable clothes and shoes. Gloves and kneepads are also handy, say those who helped out last year.

Luckily, under the ‘many hands/light work’ axiom, flooring work is fun and goes quickly. In the end, your efforts will earn the appreciation of 1,000 dancers.

If you’re available to join the few, the proud, the SD Convention Flooring Team, please contact Karen Richards by Tuesday, July 23, to let her know when you can pitch in. Karen’s cell is 847-513-4664, and her email is karenrich2006@yahoo.com.

Calling All Raffle Baskets

Raffle coordinator **June Goerg** sent along this reminder about gift baskets for the raffle: “If you would like to donate a basket or raffle item, there’s still time! Please let me know as soon as possible. If you’ve prepared a raffle basket already, please deliver it to the Convention hotel on **Friday, July 26, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.** Bring the item to the Basket Raffle booth located outside Court F at the Oak Brook Hills Marriott. Thanks so much to all the clubs and groups who have promised to donate raffle gift baskets. They are greatly appreciated,” June says.

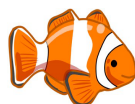
June’s contact information: *home 630-871-6171; cell 630-696-7158;* junegoerg@gmail.com.



Contradance Workshop To Be Led By CBDC Caller

Contradancing, led by **Chicago Barn Dance Co. caller Paul Watkins**, will add high-energy flair to the Illinois SD Convention. Paul is a former square dancer, too, so he will add a unique perspective on Contradance as seen through SD eyes (and feet). Paul will be leading a lively Contradance workshop on **Saturday, July 27, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.** in the Kensington Room, downstairs.

This marks the second year that CBDC has taken part in the Illinois SD Convention.



Invite Your Friends To Try Square Dancing!

Some of the top callers in square dance will be on hand Saturday, July 27, to teach an intro to people who’ve never danced before. Your friends will enjoy free admission to the Convention, and get a taste of square dance, too.

1 p.m. - 2 p.m. - Bob Asp & Noah Siegmann

3 p.m. - 4 p.m. - Tom Davis & Bobby Poyner

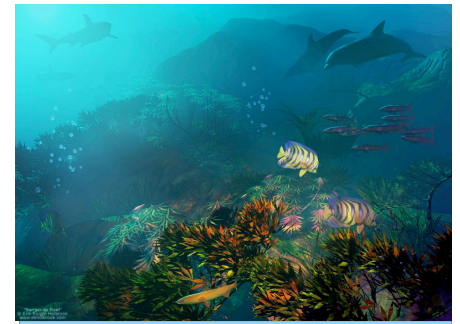
The SD Intros will held downstairs in the Kensington room.

SD Convention 2013 Photos

Square-dancing photographers will again be sharing Illinois SD Convention pictures online.

Photo coordinator Janice Cha is seeking extra photographers. If you will be taking digital pictures during the Convention, please contact Janice to be added to the Photo Team.

SD Convention 2013 photos: <http://ilsdconvention2013.shutterfly.com>



Pearl Promenade Schedule

Thursday, July 25, 2013

10 a.m. - 5 p.m. - *Dance Floor Assembly* – volunteers needed!

10:30 a.m. - *SCISDA Open Golf Tournament*, Willow Crest Golf Course

7:30 p.m. - *Benefit Trail-In Dance* – All proceeds to go to the Dillander Foundation; Oak Brook Hills Marriott

Friday, July 26, 2013

9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. - *ISDCA Caller’s Seminar* led by Tom Miller, Oak Brook Hills Marriott, Butler Room

7 p.m. *Convention Welcome Ceremonies – Dancing, Vender Sales*, Oak Brook Hills Marriott

Saturday, July 27, 2013

9 a.m. - *SCISDA Annual Meeting*, Marquis Room

10 a.m. - *Dancing, Interest Sessions, Workshops, Vender Sales*

6:30 p.m. - *Evening Ceremonies + Hall of Fame* – Marquis Room

7 p.m. - *King Neptune’s Ball* – Costumes or black-tie attire encouraged.

Sunday, July 28, 2013

9 a.m.- 9:45 a.m. - ‘*Solid Ground*’ *Bluegrass* – Music by the Siegmann Family & Dan Marquardt – Marquis Room

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. - *Dancing, Vender Sales (until 12 p.m.), Closing Ceremonies*

2 p.m. - *Dance Floor Break-Down* – volunteers needed!