

# MCASD Newsnotes

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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

What is important to Board members as the 2011/2012 year draws to a close? Simple. WE NEED HELP!

If two or three dancers will step up and volunteer to become Board members it will help tremendously. The MCASD Board meets 5 - 7 times a year. The Board is in charge of the New Dancer Dances, assists the chairman of the 2 MCASD special dances each year, conducts business of the Association, and interacts with SCISDA. CONSIDER JOINING US AND HELP THE BOARD TO DO THE THINGS NECESSARY for the Association to function AND TO SURVIVE. Share your talents with the entire Association!

IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT ADDITIONAL MEMBERS JOIN THE BOARD. Some of us have served on the MCASD Board for 15 to 20 years, and we are getting long in the tooth and worn out in spirit. HELP!!

MCASD is the host association for the 29<sup>th</sup> State of Illinois Square and Round Dance Convention July, 27, 28, 29, 2012, at the Oak Brook Hills Marriott Resort in Oakbrook, Illinois. Jerry Story is the featured caller for the 3 day event. Please register for the convention, and come and dance and renew old friendships, attend seminars, and visit the area.

The Marriott Resort has a great room rate for dancers attending the convention. It is \$89.00 per night. If we hit the mark of 400 room nights, there is no rental charge for use of the facilities of the convention. This great room rate is extended for three nights before and three nights after the convention dates. When the dancing is done stay over and explore the area.

Plans have been made for a golf outing (at a reduced rate), some square dance demos in the area, and excursions to places of local interest.. Call Duane and June Bradley - 630-739-6748, Chairman, or Ken and Sue Davies 708-957-5535 Registration Chairman for more information.

Attached to Newsnotes is a list of tours that will be available to attendees of the Convention in July, 2012.

Attending the convention is one important way of acknowledging what the State council does for square dancing in Illinois. The State Council uses the profit from the convention to pay 40% of the *cost of insurance* for each club in SCISDA. Touch A Quarter is the "newspaper" of the council as well as the state website for square dancing, [squaredanceillinois.com/convention](http://squaredanceillinois.com/convention). The MCASD website, [squaredancechicago.com](http://squaredancechicago.com) also has a link to the convention website.

Dance - for the fun of it!

Jim and Vi Bailey  
MCASD President - 2011-2012

### ITEMS OF INTEREST

#### Important Dates To Keep in Mind

- 1) 61 st NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION, SPOKANE, WA  
JUNE 27, 28, 29, 30, 2012 [www.61nsdc.com](http://www.61nsdc.com)
- 2) 29<sup>th</sup> ILLINOIS SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CONVENTION,  
OAKBROOK, IL.- JULY 27, 28, 29, 2012  
[squaredancechicago.com/convention](http://squaredancechicago.com/convention)
- 3) September 16, 2012 - 2 pm - General Meeting  
Trinity Lutheran Church, 405 S. Rush St., Roselle, IL  
Deadline for flyers and printing for the September General Meeting  
is August 31, 2012,
- 4) MCASD Great Pumpkin Costume Ball, October 28, 2012, 1:30 - 5:30  
(4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in October) Trinity Lutheran Church, 405 S. Rush St.,  
Roselle, IL. Ken and Sue Davies are Chairman 708-957-5535
- 5) 52<sup>nd</sup> MCASD SWEETHEART DANCE 2 - 5 pm  
February 17. 2013 2 - 5 pm  
Trinity Lutheran Church, 405 S. Rush St., Roselle, IL  
Chairman: Frankie Terry 773-568-0916

- e) 30<sup>th</sup> ILLINOIS SQUARE & ROUND CONVENTION,  
JULY 26, 27, 28, 2013 [squaredancechicago.com /convention](http://squaredancechicago.com/convention)  
Chairman: Bob Poyner

2) Help your club save money on flyer printing! We can print either color or black and white flyers for your club. Our prices are still the least costly around. CHECK AND COMPARE prices at your local printers. If you prefer a special color paper, there will be an extra cost unless you supply the paper to us. Contact Jim and Vi Bailey for details. Baileys phone number: 708-636-7546 or [jaybee9636@att.net](mailto:jaybee9636@att.net) Club Presidents were sent information by email regarding cost of printing in March, 2012.

SUGGESTIONS WHEN USING MCASD PRINTING

LEAVE A MARGIN OF AT LEAST THREE QUARTERS OF AN INCH ON ALL FOUR SIDES OF YOUR FLYER. IT IS NEEDED TO GET THE BEST PRINTING RESULTS.

REMEMBER TO PUT A DATE SOMEWHERE ON YOUR FLYER INDICATING WHEN IT WAS PREPARED BY YOU.

THE DATE HELPS TO IDENTIFY THE LATEST FLYER SUBMITTED

FOR INCLUDING COPIES OF YOUR CLUB FLYER IN MCASD PACKETS, CLUBS SHOULD SUBMIT FLYERS USING THIS FORMULA:

STAPLED - 20 packs of 10 (or fewer) for each of the clubs  
LOOSE - 50 individual sheets for Club Presidents and Executive Board Members

YES, MCASD still has 22 member clubs, BUT the two (2) challenge clubs requested to be given only 1 information sheet from each club and MCASD to "save trees and reduce paper waste."

TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PACKETS  
ALL FLYERS MUST BE 8.5 X 11 INCHES IN SIZE

REMINDER: August 31, 2012, is the Deadline for submitting Flyers for the  
September 16, 2012, General Meeting.

Submit your flyers to us early, if possible.

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ALL PUNS INTENDED

**SUBJECT: WHY I AM DEPRESSED**

**I WAS SO DEPRESSED LAST NIGHT THINKING ABOUT HEALTH CARE PLANS,  
THE ECONOMY, MULTIPLE WARS, LOST JOBS, SAVINGS, SOCIAL SECURITY,  
RETIREMENT FUNDS, ETC. I CALLED A SUICIDE HOTLINE.**

**I HAD TO PRESS 1 FOR ENGLISH.**

**I WAS CONNECTED TO A CALL CENTER IN PAKISTAN. I TOLD THEM I WAS  
SUICIDAL. THEY GOT EXCITED AND ASKED IF I COULD DRIVE A TRUCK.....**

**FOLKS, WE'RE IN TROUBLE.**

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**THERE WAS THE PERSON WHO SENT TWENTY DIFFERENT PUNS TO HIS FRIENDS,  
WITH THE HOPE THAT AT LEAST TEN OF THE PUNS WOULD MAKE THEM LAUGH.  
NO PUN IN TEN DID!!!**

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**A DWARF, WHO WAS A MYSTIC, ESCAPED FROM JAIL. THE CALL  
WENT OUT THAT THERE WAS A SMALL MEDIUM AT LARGE.**



## **29th Illinois State Square & Round Dance Convention - Chicago Area Tours -**

**Thursday, July 26, 2012: Grand Tour / 10AM - 4PM / \$28.00**



This is a comprehensive tour of what Chicago has to offer. During this tour you will travel through both the North & South side business and residential districts. You will visit our beautiful parks including Lincoln Park, Washington Park and Grant Park while traveling our beautiful scenic Outer Drive. Stops will be made at the fascinating Lincoln Park Conservatory and the Museum campus known for its breath taking view. ***Full payment for this tour is due by July 1, 2012.***

**Friday, July 27, 2012: North Side w/ Hancock Tower & Navy Pier / 9:30AM - 3:30PM / \$40.00**

**\* Includes admission to the John Hancock Center**



This is a tour for those looking to experience the vitality and excitement of Chicago. You'll tour Chicago's business section, the famous "Loop" and State Street-the great street where Chicago's fame began. Travel by the Richard J. Daley plaza and the Pablo Picasso sculpture, created specifically for Chicago. You'll take a ride on Wacker Drive, the double-decked thoroughfare and journey over the Chicago River which is made to flow backwards by one of the world's greatest engineering feats. On our tour you'll see the famous white Wrigley Building that announces the beginning of the Magnificent Mile and Michigan Avenue, the elegant seven-level shopping complex

Water Tower Place and stop at one of the tallest buildings in the world, the John Hancock center, where from the 94th floor observatory you can see four states. You'll also travel through Lincoln Park; see Wrigley Field, home of the Cubs with a stop at Navy Pier, one of the most famous destinations in the city with its beautiful skyline view, shops, and cool breezes from Lake Michigan. ***Full payment for this tour is due by July 1, 2012.***

**Sunday, July 29, 2012: Lake Michigan Lunch Cruise / 11AM - 2:30PM / \$92.00**



Breath taking views while you dine and enjoy a fascinating narrated tour of the cities most spectacular sights, seen from huge panoramic windows, and be entertained by lively performances from the talented staff and crew.

**\* Includes taxes and tip on cruise**

***Deposit: \$30.00; Full payment for this tour is due by July 1, 2012.***

\* All tours prices are based on 35 or more paying fares. All tours depart from and return to the Oak Brook Hills Marriott Resort.

Anyone interested in any of these tours please contact Frankie Terry at 773-568-0916 or frankietravel@att.net regarding questions or payment.

Payments may be sent to:  
Frankie Travel  
9419 S. Vernon Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60619