CHI-TOWN SHAKEDOWN LOWDOWN

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RESERVATIONS OPENED JULY 10, 2009

Hilton Chicago was destined to be different. Born in 1927 as The Stevens Hotel, it was the culmination of founding father James W. Stevens' dream to construct the world's largest hotel. An awe-inspiring landmark among South Loop Chicago hotels, it was an engineering marvel. It measured 28 stories, boasted 3,000 luxurious rooms, 5 sub-basements, an 18-hole rooftop golf course with real grass, a three-story laundry, its own hospital and a 1,200-seat theatre with "talking motion picture" equipment.

Conrad Hilton bought The Stevens for \$7.5 million in 1945 and in 1951 renamed it The Conrad Hilton. Since then this renowned hotel has seen many renovations and innovations. A stunning \$185 million redesign in 1985 sets this timeless South Loop hotel among the finest addresses in the world and the Chicago home of many of the world's leaders of industry, finance, politics, and society.





For Reservations call: 312-922-4400

Mention Chi-Town Shakedown to receive the convention rates Or click on the hotel logo above to be connected to the Chi-Town Shakedown hotel registration website

Rates:

2 Double Beds - \$139.00 with 2 bathrooms \$169.00 1 King Bed - \$139.00



Come early for the convention and enjoy all that Chicago has to offer. Chi-Town Shakedown is pleased to offer some exciting tours to help you explore our great city. The tours include:

- Six Flags Great America Amusement Park
- Chicago Botanical Gardens and the North Shore
- Museum of Science and Industry and Hyde Park
- Architectural Chicago River Cruise
- Frank Lloyd Wright Home and Studio, and other Treasures in Oak Park
- Walking Tour of Millennium Park and the Art Institute of Chicago

See our website for more details



NEW DANCER 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 graduate just before convention and the new dancer is at the highest registration level for that convention, making it less appealing to pay a \$200 registration for a first-time convention experience. It is our belief that once a dancer gets to experience their first IAGSDC Convention, they are hooked and become square dancers for life.

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 - those 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. For Chi-Town Shakedown 2010, this would be \$165.



To qualify, A dancer...

- Must be any person that has successfully completed, at a minimum, Mainstream in accordance with Callerlab;
- 2. Must provide a letter from current club, verifying dance level;
- 3. Has never attended a previous IAGSDC Convention;
- 4. Has never applied to the New Dancer Convention Incentive Program;
- 5. Is not entitled to a refund of registration fees from convention in the event of a cancellation, except for medical reasons.

Talk to your friends and other club members you know have not attended a convention and urge them to register for Chi-Town Shakedown 2010. The time (and price) couldn't be better!

CALLER CORNER



Anne UebelackerBritish Columbia, Canada

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

Anne calls a strong "home" program for Squares Across the

Border in Vancouver during the week, and has a busy traveling schedule on the week-ends.

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

Known as "The Good Twin"....or is she???

Saundra Bryant Chicago, Illinois

Saundra is known for her original choreography and her smooth style, and her trademark low, sultry voice. She is one of the resident callers at Chi-Town Squares, The host club for Chi-Town Shakedown, 2010



Also known as "The Good Twin"... or is she "The Evil Twin"? Some would say she is both. Saundra calls Mainstream through C4.

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Chi-Town Shakedown Registrations

.....so far!

537 registered

108 Women 429 Men

Alamo City Wranglers 2
Anywhere Squares I
Bloomin' Squares 2
Boots in Squares 8
BOQ 2
Boston Uncommons 3
Cadillac Squares 5
Capital City Squares 6
C-Dogs I
Champlain Valley Rainbow Squares 4
Chesapeake Squares 12

Chi-Town Squares 43
Cleveland City Country Dancers 7

DC Lambda Squares 38
Delmarvalous Squares 1
Desert Valley Squares 6
Diablo Dancers 8
Edo 8s 4

El Camino Reelers 29 Finest City Squares 16 Foggy City Dancers 9 Gateway Squares 6

Grand River Squares 6 Heads to the Center 5 Hotlanta Squares 13 Independence Squares 14 Iron City Squares 5 Lone Star Lambdas 7 Midnight Squares 21 Oaktown 8's I Ocean Squares 2 Ottawa Date Squares 2 Prime 8s 3 Puddletown Squares 18 Rocky Mountain Rainbeaus 21 Rosetown Ramblers 13 Sho-Me Squares 5 Shoreline Squares 3 Squares Across the Border 10 Suncoast Squares 6 T Squares I Times Squares 40 Tinseltown Squares 9 Triangle Squares 23 Western Star Dancers 10 Wilde Bunch 11

Golden State Squares 13

No Affiliation 62

137 of the 300 available seats on the Fun Badge Tour have been sold so far... Register yourself ASAP to guarantee your seat on a bus full o' fun.

It's all about GLBT pride at Chicago Pride Fest on Friday and Saturday, June 25-26, two days before Chicago's iconic Pride Parade (Sunday, June 27). Festive ... Jubilant ... Fun ... are just a few of the words to describe this two day gathering that's a non-stop, early-summer party.

Hosted by (and benefiting) the Northalsted Area Merchants Association -- the same group behind the wildly popular Northalsted Market Days (set for the first weekend in August) -- this equally crowd-pleasing gay and lesbian celebration of community pride will be back bigger than ever in its 8th year!



Pride Fest showcases an eclectic lineup of arts & crafts, food and other vendors. It also features entertainment on two stages including one dedicated to some of Chicago's fine performers in the gay community. Featured performers in past years have included Martha Walsh, Ru Paul, Tiffany, Ultra Nate, Thelma Houston, and many more icons of the community.

Come for the Pride Festivities and Parade....Stay for Convention!

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