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CHOREA MAGNA

The Dance is the singing of the stars at their birth;
The Dance is a tree with its roots in utmost earth;
The Dance is the gamboling of balls in a game
With their source a hand, and their end the same.

Refrain:

Dare, then, the measure of the Dance
Follow the Fool in his reckless fall
In his madness, joy, his destiny-in-chance
For all luck is good, and the Naught is all!

The Dance knows the wounding that the earth cannot heal
The Dance knows the weight and the flaming of the wheel
The Dance knows the binding to the stake torched at dawn -
But the dancers, stilled, still go dancing on.
(Refrain)

The Dance is a Lion and a child locked in play
The Dance is a feast on a royal wedding day
The Dance is a city where the time-scattered meet
And the Glory blazes in each complete.
(Refrain)

~ a Dancer

The Society's Anthem, sung to the tune "Simple Gifts"