

## PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGE

As described on page 3, the following changes to the bylaws were discussed and approved at a Steering Committee Meeting held May 25. At an upcoming dance, the membership will vote whether or not to approve these changes. In preparation, please read the proposed changes, contact an officer if you would like to discuss the proposal, and be prepared to vote at one of the July dances:

Under Article 6: Elected Officers

*Change: The elected officers of the NACDS are President, President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, Property Custodian, Membership Chairman, and dance series producers. All terms of office are one year, and with the exception of the Property custodian, Newsletter Editor, dance series producers, and treasurer, no individual may hold any given office for more than two years consecutively. The duties of the officers shall be:*

Change to Article 6. Elected Officers:

*The elected officers of the NACDS are President, President Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, Property Custodian, dance series Producers, and Webmaster. All terms of office are one year, but individuals may to re-elected to successive terms. The duties of the officers shall be:*

add i: *The Webmaster shall*

- 1. Maintain the NACDS webpage to provide current information to the membership and the public*
- 2. maintain and create content for NACDS Facebook page or other social networking site.*

These proposed changes must be published to the membership (accomplished herewith) before they are accepted. We expect to vote on the change during a dance in July.

## KALEIDOSCOPE +

For the July 4 dance, Katrina and Chuck Weber will have a special guest - Steve Byers (of Calliope fame) – joining in on fiddle. With two fiddles, the harmonies will be rich, expression will be diverse, and the energy will be high! With Erin Maguire calling, we think this dance is one you won't want to miss.

## APPALACHIAN STORM, AUGUST 1

On August 1<sup>st</sup>, Jane Ewing will be calling to the tunes of Appalachian Storm. This is a great band out of the Ashville area that Jane worked with at a Greensboro, NC dance. On August 1<sup>st</sup>, dancers can expect a steady inflow of old-time and Irish jigs and reels with scattered Cajun and original tunes. To learn more, visit [appalachianstorm.com](http://appalachianstorm.com).



## HUNTSVILLE CALENDAR

• Huntsville dances are the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of each month in the gym at Faith Presbyterian Church, 5003 Whitesburg Dr., (corner of Whitesburg Dr. & Airport Rd.). Beginners Workshop is at 7:00 PM, then the regular dance is from 7:30 – 10:30 PM.

• Admission is \$7 (\$6 for members), \$4 for teens, free for ages 12 & under.

Remember to bring comfortable, **non-scuffing shoes** for dancing. Bring someone new to a dance this month!

• Gen'l info, [bwalls@pobox.com](mailto:bwalls@pobox.com) or [www.secontra.com](http://www.secontra.com);  
Schedule info, Doug Roth: [hdroth@pobox.com](mailto:hdroth@pobox.com).

### JULY 4 : HUNTSVILLE

CALLER — ERIN MAGUIRE

BAND — KALEIDOSCOPE +

### JULY 18 : HUNTSVILLE

CALLER — VICKI HERNDON

BAND — ED BAGGOTT AND ELSIE PETERSON

## AREA DANCE GYPSY CALENDAR

### JULY 3 : NASHVILLE

CALLER — EDDIE DOSS

BAND — ALLISON WILLIAMS AND FRIENDS

### JULY 10 : NASHVILLE

CALLER — JANE EWING

BAND — ED BAGGOTT & ELSIE PETERSON

### JULY 11 : BIRMINGHAM

CALLER — VICKI HERNDON

BAND — HERB TROTMAN BAND

### JULY 14 : FLAT CREEK

CALLER — CHRISSY DAVIS-CAMP

BAND — JIM & INGE WOOD WITH VARIOUS & SUNDRY

### JULY 17 : NASHVILLE

CALLER — JOHN SHARLET

BAND — CUMBERLAND TENDERFOOTS

### JULY 24 : NASHVILLE

CALLER — DWAYNE JOHNSON

BAND — PLAIDGRASS

### JULY 25: CHATTANOOGA

CALLER — TAMARA MCGOVERN

BAND — ?

### JULY 28 : FLAT CREEK

CALLER — CHRISSY DAVIS-CAMP

BAND — JIM & INGE WOOD WITH VARIOUS & SUNDRY

### JULY 31 : NASHVILLE

CALLER — SUSAN KEVRA

BAND — DAVID COE AND JIM PRENDERGAST

### TO LEARN MORE

#### Footmad (Birmingham, AL)

[www.footmadbirmingham.org](http://www.footmadbirmingham.org)

205-822-0505

2nd Saturdays at the YWCA in downtown Birmingham

4th Sunday afternoons (except May-August)

#### CTDS (Chattanooga, TN)

[contranooga.org](http://contranooga.org)

All Saints Academy

310 East 8th St. - Chattanooga, TN

#### Misty Mountain Dancers (Sewanee, TN)

931-598-0814

[mistycontra.zoomshare.com](http://mistycontra.zoomshare.com)

American Legion Hall

36 University Avenue, Sewanee, TN

#### NCD (Nashville, TN)

615-356-3869

[nashvillecountrydancers.org](http://nashvillecountrydancers.org)

Contra dance most Friday nights

English Country Dance 2nd Sunday of each month

See web site for locations

#### Flat Creek, TN

[jimwoodmusic.net/fcc.htm](http://jimwoodmusic.net/fcc.htm)

Flat Creek Community Center south of Shelbyville, TN

### A BIT FARTHER AWAY, BUT WORTH THE TRAVEL

CCD (Atlanta) dances on Fridays & alternate Tuesdays.

<http://contradance.org>

KCD (Knoxville) dances every Monday.

<http://www.kornet.org/kcd/>

MCD (Memphis) dances on the 1st & 3rd Fridays.

<http://hometown.aol.com/horselovers/index.html>

Sautee Community Dances (N. GA) once a month from Sept – May. <http://sauteecontra.home.mindspring.com/>

## **NACDS STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING, MAY 25, 2009**

Venue: the Mebane's

**Attending:** *Donna Deaton, Jane Ewing, Terry Ewing, Wayne Hitt, Rebecca Holbrook, Natasha Kunin, Erin Maguire, Carol Mebane, Jerry Mebane, Mark Mohan, Gary Nelson, Steve Nix, Doug Roth, Bryan Walls, Diane Walls, Clara Welch*

**Absent:** *Claire Davies, Kevin Riggs*

Carol called meeting to order.

### **Blue Moon 12:**

Feedback forms were reviewed by Erin. Lighting level too high for some – just right for most. More waltzing wanted. Some wanted headline band to play for a workshop on Saturday.

### **Discussion:**

Let headline band determine how much they want to play.

AC cooling problems – we handled okay – in general we need a bit more support from UC housekeeping – lighting: experiment with the spots vs. the fluorescents.

Spragins Hall vs UC for next year? Look into it (but probably not – better floor but poorer acoustics etc.).

Party Saturday – lower than usual attendance by local dancers (rain?) Enough food? Beer? \$ to support?

Scholarships – disappointment that two (of the four) dropped out at last minute.

Enough work - water, sweeping etc. To keep 4 busy. Discussion of better coordination of duties next time.

Need more volunteers – how to encourage?

### **Financial:**

Jane still has a couple bills outstanding, but ballpark: we made \$4000.

Question of whether we 'used' the \$5k bequest – conclusion: we might not have tried for wild asparagus if we hadn't gotten it – so "yes"!

Steve suggested that we make a \$ gift to Jeff in the amount that we paid Pat. Appreciation of Jeff's talents and value to the group acknowledged.

### **New business:**

Discussion of officers, board members, & committee chairs

and their duties & functions. Add web master? Remove 2-year term limit from the positions that still have it? Overlap of membership roster maintenance duties.

Eventually, Mark moved that the 2 year term limit be removed from Secretary & Membership chair. Jane & Erin second. Carried by voice vote.

Erin moved that Web Master be added as a board position – (no term limit) Jane seconds. Brief discussion. Carries by voice vote.

We are overdue for a slate of officers etc. We need a VP.!!!

Amendments & slate to be printed in newsletter – voted at a dance in July(?)

Discussion of storage possibilities at faith, & dance host volunteers.

Doug moves to adjourn, Erin seconds.

Cooking, rain, food & conversation ensue.

Respectfully (if sketchily) submitted by Doug Roth



## **GET CONNECTED, STAY CONNECTED**

Visit the NACDS web site:

<http://secontra.com/NACDS.html>

There is an announcement list for everyone and a Yahoo Group discussion list for those more involved. E-mail [nacds@pobox.com](mailto:nacds@pobox.com) if you'd like to be on either.

**Yahoo group:**

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/NACDScontraCommunity>



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*Members receive monthly newsletter,  
and a \$1 DISCOUNT to each regular dance!*