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### **NACDS Newsletter**

#### March 2010



### **REGISTER FOR BLUE MOON13!**

Blue Moon weekend is May 21-23, so there's no time to waste – you should register today. If you didn't receive a flyer in the mail, then go to secontra.com/bluemoon/Blue\_Moon and click the link to register. You'll sleep better tonight when you have this done.

This year's annual weekend-long dance festival features music by Lift Ticket and calling by Kathy Anderson.

Lift Ticket plays traditional and original tunes with an energy that drives you home and tucks you happily into bed after a long night of dance. They're to die for. Missing this would be like closing the curtains and staying inside on that first gorgeous day of spring.

Kathy Anderson is known for her flowing contras and fastmoving, exciting squares. She's brought her enthusiastic style to dances across the US, Canada, and Europe, and is a favorite on the West Coast. Her smooth vocal delivery and repertoire of quirky contras and high-energy squares make for a fun, challenging dance experience.

There will be additional music by Huntsville's own Ed Baggott and Elsie Peterson, and Chrissy Davis-Camp will provide additional calling.

We will attempt to maintain an equal count of women and men. You could help us by registering with a partner, but this is not required.

Register for this weekend festival today!

### THIS IS WHERE YOU COME IN

**Blue Moon:** This festival requires substantial volunteer effort to be successful. We still need volunteers to:

- Host visiting dancers are you willing to open a spare bedroom or fold-out couch to visiting dancers?
- Housing coordinator to match visitors with hosts.
- Set up and clean up before and after the dances.
- Prepare snacks for the after-dance Party at the Wall's.

Please let an officer know if you're willing to help!

March 27 Steering Committee Meeting: The steering committee meetings are open to and for the benefit of the whole community. They're a lot of fun and a great way to learn about and have a voice in the activities of the group. Next meeting time & place to be announced.

Officer Elections: NACDS officers are elected and serve limited terms. We'll hold elections for new officers this summer, so it's time to begin selecting candidates. Would you care to serve? Would you like to be on the selection committee? Do you want to help, but you're not sure how much to commit to? Talk to one of the officers. A great time to start would be the upcoming steering committee meeting.



# 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, and 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 or www.secontra.com; Schedule info, Doug Roth: hdroth@pobox.com.

#### MARCH 6: HUNTSVILLE

CALLER — CHRISSY DAVIS CAMP BAND — MAPLE HILL

#### MARCH 20 : HUNTSVILLE

CALLER — JANE EWING BAND — KALEIDOSCOPE

# AREA DANCE GYPSY CALENDAR

### MARCH 5 : NASHVILLE

CALLER — SUSAN KEVRA BAND — DAVID COE AND JIM PRENDERGAST

### MARCH 9 : FLAT CREEK

CALLER — CHRISSY DAVIS-CAMP BAND — JIM & INGE WOOD WITH VARIOUS & SUNDRY

#### MARCH 12 : NASHVILLE

CALLER — SUSAN MOFFETT BAND — CUMBERLAND TENDERFOOTS

#### MARCH 13 : BIRMINGHAM

CALLER --- JEF HODGE BAND — WAXWING

# March 13 : Chattanooga

CALLER — VICKI HERNDON BAND — KALIEDOSCOPE

#### MARCH 14 : NASHVILLE

CALLER — KENDAL BROADIE BAND — CALLIOPE

### MARCH 19 - 21 : MEMPHIS

MEMFEST 2010 Caller — Vicki Herndon Band — Footloose

#### MARCH 19 - 21 : NASHVILLE

Playford Ball Weekend Caller — Brad Foster Band — Playford's PaJaMa (Pamela Stoll, Jane Knoeck, and Martha Edwards)

#### MARCH 23 : FLAT CREEK

CALLER — CHRISSY DAVIS-CAMP BAND — JIM & INGE WOOD WITH VARIOUS & SUNDRY

# MARCH 26 : NASHVILLE

CALLER — CHRISSY DAVIS CAMP BAND — JIM WOOD & FRIENDS

#### MARCH 27 : CHATTANOOGA

CALLER — ROB HARPER BAND — ED AND ELSIE

#### MARCH 28 : BIRMINGHAM

CALLER — JANE EWING BAND — FIDDLING IN THE PARLOR

### **TO LEARN MORE**

- Footmad (Birmingham, AL) www.footmadbirmingham.org 205-822-0505
- CTDS (Chattanooga, TN) contranooga.org
- NCD (Nashville, TN) 615-356-3869 nashvillecountrydancers.org
- Flat Creek, TN jimwoodmusic.net/fcc.htm

### A BIT FURTHER BUT WORTH THE TRAVEL

- CCD (Atlanta, GA)
  Fridays & alternate Tuesdays
  contradance.org
- KCD (Knoxville, TN)
  Every Monday
  discoveret.org/kcd
- MCD (Memphis, TN) 1st, 3rd, &5th Fridays midtowners.webs.com
- Sautee Community Dances (North-East GA)
  Once a month, Sept May
  sauteecontra.com

# FEBRUARY WORKSHOP/PIZZA Party a Big Success!

The February 20 Workshop and Pizza Party were a big success, by any measure. There was a large turnout for the fun and informative workshop, and it was terrific to visit and get to know fellow dancers better over pizza following the workshop.

# DECISIONS, DECISIONS...

We wish we knew how to make this easier, but good luck choosing between the two outstanding dance weekends coming up later this month in Memphis and Nashville. So many dances, so little time!





# **MEMFEST 2010**

The Memphis Contra Dancers invite us to join them in March – a beautiful spring month in Memphis – for their next great weekend of Contra Dancing!

The Band: Footloose

The Caller: Vicki Herndon

The Dates: March 19th-21st

The Venue: Idlewild Church 1750 Union Avenue Memphis, TN 38104 On the web: midtowners.webs.com/memfest2010.htm

# 28TH ANNUAL PLAYFORD BALL Weekend

The Nashville Country Dancers presents the 28th annual Playford Ball Weekend March 19-21, 2010.

Music by Playford's PaJaMa: Pamela Stoll, Jane Knoeck, and Martha Edwards.

Calling by Brad Foster.

On the web: nashvillecountrydancers.org/playford.html

# 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 if you'd like to be on either.

#### Yahoo group:

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

### Facebook page:

Search on Facebook for the "North Alabama Country Dance Society" group. Connect with friends and get invitations to events.



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