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NACDS Newsletter

October 2010

BLUE MOON 14

Details for our next annual dance festival weekend, Blue Moon 14, are taking shape! Save the date, May 20-22, 2011. The dance will be held on the campus of UAH. Music will be provided by The Sevens, and the caller will be Seth Tepfer. More information will be announced as it becomes available.

MUSIC CITY MASQUERADE

Nashville Country Dancers host their annual Music City Masquerade October 29 - 31. The dance will be held at:

> Cohn Adult Learning Center 4805 Park Ave., Nashville, TN

Music will be provided by Notorious (Eden Macadam-Somer, Larry Unger, Sam Bartlett, Mark Hellenberg). Joining them will be Rick Mohr, a long time dancer, caller and choreographer of countless well-loved contras. Visit nashvillecountrydancers.org to learn more about the schedule, location, the band, and to download a registration form.

Cost:

\$70 - postmarked by Oct.15th\$80 - starting Oct. 16th

WEST SIDE CONTRA

The Chattahoochee Contra Dancers will host their 34th annual Atlanta Festival Weekend November 12-14. The dance will be held at:

Decatur Recreation Center (Dec Rec) 231 Sycamore Street, Decatur, GA 30030 Friday night and Saturday morning, Diane Silver will call to the music of Perpetual e-Motion. Then, Saturday Afternoon, Saturday Night, and Sunday Susan Kevra will call to the music of Tidal Wave. Visit contradance.org to learn more about the schedule, location, and to download a registration form.

Cost:

- \$65 postmarked by Monday, October 18
- \$75 postmarked between October 19 November 8
- \$80 after November 9th or if paid at the door

CHATTABOOGIE 3

The Chattanooga Traditional Dance Society will host a contra dance festival weekend, Chattaboogie 3, January 7-9 2011. The weekend will be held on the floating random pine floor at Allemande Hall, a facility built for dancing by dancers.

Allemande Hall

7400 Standifer Gap Road, Chattanooga, TN 37421 Music will be provided by Prepetual e-Motion with original waltzes by Waxwing. Callers will be Seth Tepfer and Vicki Herndon. Visit contranooga.org to learn more about the schedule, location, and to download a registration form.

Cost:

\$120.00* balanced couple before 12/10/10
\$65.00* per person before 12/10/10
75.00* all registrants after 12/10/10
50.00* per student before 12/10/10

*Full refund minus \$20.00 handling fee before 12/10/10. No refund after 12/10/10.

CABIN FEVER

The The Knoxville Country Dancers will host a contra dance festival weekend, Cabin Fever, February 18-20, 2011. The dance will be held at:

Maryville College

502 East Lamar Alexander Pkwy., Maryville, TN Music will be provided by Syncopaths and Contrazz, and the caller will be Carol Ormand. Visit knoxvillecontradance.org to learn more about the schedule, location, and to download a registration form.

Cost: Not yet published

HUNTSVILLE CALENDAR

• Huntsville dances are the 1st & 3rd 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.

OCTOBER 2 : HUNTSVILLE

CALLER — HARRY DELUGACH BAND — MAPLE HILL

OCTOBER 16 : HUNTSVILLE

CALLER — JANE EWING BAND — WOLVES A HOWLIN'

AREA DANCE GYPSY CALENDAR

OCTOBER 1 : NASHVILLE

CALLER — CHRISSY DAVIS-CAMP BAND — DAVID COE & NATE STRASSER

OCTOBER 8 : NASHVILLE

CALLER — EMMA RUSHTON BAND — THE CUMBERLAND TENDERFOOTS

OCTOBER 9 : BIRMINGHAM

CALLER --- DOUG SINGLETON BAND — FLYING JENNY

OCTOBER 9 : CHATTANOOGA

CALLER --- CHRISSY DAVIS-CAMP BAND — THE DOGTROTTERS

OCTOBER 10 : NASHVILLE

CALLER — EMMA RUSHTON BAND — VERDIER, HOOS, MOORE, AND KEVRA

OCTOBER 12 : FLAT CREEK

CALLER — CHRISSY DAVIS-CAMP

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OCTOBER 15 : NASHVILLE

CALLER — ED DOSS BAND — NASHVILLE CEILI

OCTOBER 22 : NASHVILLE

CALLER — SUSAN KEVRA BAND — CHRISTIANSON, O'BRYANT, BARENBERG, TODD

OCTOBER 23 : CHATTANOOGA

CALLER ---- SUSAN PATRICK BAND — THE OPERTUNISTS

OCTOBER 26 : FLAT CREEK

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

OCTOBER 29 - 31 : NASHVILLE

MUSIC CITY MASQUERADE CALLER — RICK MOHR BAND — NOTORIOUS

OCTOBER 31 : BIRMINGHAM

CALLER — FREDERICK PARK BAND — JUBILEE

NOVEMBER 12 - 14 : ATLANTA

WEST SIDE CONTRA CALLERS — DIANE SILVER AND SUSAN KEVRA BANDS — PERPETUAL E-MOTION AND TIDAL WAVE

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

STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of September meeting

Committee Members Present:

President - Trey Brakefield

President Elect - Wayne Hitt

Dance Series Producer - Erin Maguire

5th Saturday Dance Series Producer - Gary Nelson

- Secretary Eric Pohl
- Treasurer Doug Roth
- Newsletter Editor Kevin Riggs
- Membership Committee Chair Liz Seifried
- Set-up Committee Chair Claire Davies

By-Laws

- Agreed on new committee member position of "Setup Committee Chair"
- Discussed membership committee chair's new responsibilities
- Kevin Riggs will do the membership database
- Liz Seifried will do flyers at UAH and Olde Towne
- Agreed President-Elect will be producer for Blue Moon
- Publicity moved from VP to membership committee chair
- These changes are proposed and will be presented to the general membership for vote in November.

Demonstration of contra dancing @ "Concerts in the Park" (Huntsville Arts' Council)

• Suggested that we look into this. Liz to contact series producers.

Special Dances

- Concerts struggling
- Lost money on most concerts
- Bringing in many new dancers from these events
- April 30th Special Dance may conflict with many in the area due to school graduations
- Debating season tickets for 2011 special dance series
- First dance made money and next 2 broke even
- Idea brought up to get schedule out earlier
- \$220 to rent out Flying Monkey Art Center
- Get it in local periodicals and at activity and contra dancing websites
- Examples:
- Arts' Council monthly booklet
- AlabamaAdventure.org
- Gypsy Jordan site

Blue Moon 14

- When: May 20-22, 2011
- Band: The Sevens
- Caller: Seth Tepfer
- Dance Flyer: Diane is in charge of its creation
- Hall is booked
- Going to check on Union Grove booking (person that in charge of this wasn't there when initially booked)

Holiday Dance

- Date: December 18th
- Dance Flyer: Liz is in charge of its creation
- Deadline: October

Idea of archiving old flyers, newsletters, and publicity material in digital form, so that in the future there will be a starting point of previously used ideas.

 Suggested as a way to maintain group knowledge for the future.

Dance Hosting:

Responsibilities:

- Check setup
- Coordinate with Band & Caller
- Overseer

Regular Dance Series

- 2010 is completely booked
- Working on booking for the first half of 2011

Upcoming Area Dance Weekends:

- Nashville Dance Weekend
 - See details on page 1
 - Atlanta Dance Weekend
 - See details on page 1
- Knoxville Dance Weekend (to include Techno-Contra)
 - See details on page 1

Decided to keep doing Free-Pass Survey

New Pay Scheme

- Delayed by questions on income tax forms
- Will go into effect Jan. 2011
- \$600 threshold per person per year
- Debated on whether this paper work should be standard practice

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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Address Correction Requested



Send just \$10 for one, or \$15 per family, to the address above.

> Make checks payable to NACDS. (mailing label shows renewal date)

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