

Newsletter of the North Alabama Country Dance Society

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Group Affiliate, Country Dance & Song Society

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

March 6th: Janet Shepherd with Ed Baggott & Elsie Peterson

Local musicians **Elsie Peterson & Ed Baggott** will play for our first March dance as **Janet Shepherd** from Atlanta makes us all dance like lions with her calling.

March 20th: Susan Kevra with James & Rachel Bryan and Russ Barenberg

Nashville caller, **Susan Kevra** will make us frolic like lambs to the music of **Russ Barenberg** (also from Nashville) and **James & Rachel Bryan** from Mentone.

The fine print: NACDS dances the 1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month in the gym at Faith Presbyterian Church on Whitesburg at Airport Rd. in Huntsville. Come to the refresher workshop at 7PM, then dance until 10:30 for \$7 (\$6 for members, \$4 for teens.) Don't forget to bring comfortable shoes to dance in and please wear a name tag. Bring someone new to a dance this month!

NACDS Officer Nominations Needed

(A reminder from Bryan Walls)

It's an election year for NACDS! Well, OK, actually every year is, but it's time to start thinking about our upcoming elections in May. There are several jobs that people have expressed interest in turning over to someone else. It's good to keep our group fresh by sharing responsibilities and ideas.

These jobs can be done with the help of others appointed by each officer/chairperson--in other words, you're welcome to ask for help or form sub-committees. Just because you have "a title" doesn't mean you have to do it all!

The Constitution and By-Laws are now on the web site <http://SEContra.com/admin/bylaws.pdf> and describe the duties of each office. Here are the offices, and the incumbents. You're welcome to ask them about what's involved with each office.

Current NACDS Officers and Chairpersons

President- Natasha Kunin
President Elect- Diane Walls
Secretary- Margaret Phillips
Treasurer- Chuck Weber
Newsletter Editor- Doug Roth
Dance Producer- Carol Mebane
Property Custodian- Steve Nix
Membership Chairman- Basil Pinker

If you're interested in running for an office or committee chair (or know a good candidate) contact any one of:

Natasha NBK4@aol.com
Bryan bwalls@pobox.com
or Diane creative@dianewalls.com

Not interested in "having a title"? Perhaps you would like to help keep our dances fun and alive by helping with general planning. The good news is, **being on the Steering Committee doesn't require huge amounts of time!** It is open to all and we meet approximately 4-5 times per year, at various times (usually weeknights and/or Sun. evenings -- with food!) Your input is appreciated at any or all of the meetings. Also, a lot of business gets done on the steering committee discussion list. That includes things like arranging rides for going to nearby dance events. To join, send an e-mail to bwalls@pobox.com and ask to be added to the "steers" list.

Remember, Your Dance Society Needs YOU!

In Other Dance News ...

The Waltz class on February 21st was very popular. Thanks to everyone who helped make it a success.

Blue Moon 2004 ...

Is only 2.5 months away! The weekend in a nutshell: Two great bands! The **Clayfoot Strutters** from Boston, and the **Red Mountain White Trash** from Birmingham. Two dynamic callers! **Beth Molaro** from Asheville, and **Seth Tepfer** from Atlanta. Three days of dances and workshops! Friday evening May 21 through Sunday afternoon May 23. Plus an optional picnic lunch at noon, and a bonus after-dance party Saturday night at the Walls.

The cost is \$55 per person until May 8th. \$65 after that date. The picnic lunch on Saturday is \$8.

You may join us or renew your membership (check date on mailing label) at any of our dances, or by sending \$10 (\$15 for families), payable to NACDS at the address below. You will receive this monthly newsletter & 2 free guest passes, plus you will pay \$1 less to get into each of our regular dances.

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Blue Moon 2003 - photo by Margaret

Calendar

*Local events in **bold**; contact Bryan Walls (256 837-0656; bwalls@pobox.com) for more info.*

Mar. 5 (Fri.) Nashville: John Sharlet calling with Tom Kat & the Fiddle <- *Huntsville Band!*

NCD dances almost every Friday at the Woodbine Community Center, Burbank & Oriel, near I-440 & Nolensville Rd.

Instruction at 7:30, dance at 8:00. For more info, contact Chrissy (615-210-6808) or John (DanceFools@aol.com).

Mar. 6 (Sat.) NACDS - Janet Shepherd with Ed Baggott & Elsie Peterson

Mar. 12 (Fri.) Nashville: Eddie Doss calling with In The Woods

Mar. 12 (Fri.) Sewanee: Harry Delugach with Ed Baggott & Elsie Peterson

Mar. 13 (Sat.) B'ham FoOTMaD: Carters Little Pills. Becca Impello calling

B'ham FoOTMaD dances 2nd Saturdays at the YWCA, 2300 3rd Avenue North; 7:30 \$8. Info: <http://www.bamalong.com/bcds.htm>

Mar. 13 (Sat.) Chattanooga - Janet Shepherd with Up In The Air

CTDS dances 2nd and 4th Saturdays at All Saints Academy, 310 E. 8th St., downtown; 8-11 P.M.; \$5.

For info contact: Steve at 706-937-4991 or Claire & Bryant at 423-876-7359 or: <http://contranooga.org>

Mar. 19 (Fri.) Nashville: Ed & Melissa Wilkinson calling with the Wingates

Mar. 20 (Sat.) NACDS - Susan Kevra with Russ Barenberg and Rachel & James Bryan

Mar. 26 (Fri.) Nashville: Emma Rushton & Kendal Broadie calling with Nashville Weather

Mar. 27 (Sat.) Chattanooga - Doug Singleton with Peavine Creek

Apr. 2-4 Nashville - Playford Ball Weekend at the Cohn Center

For info: <http://home.att.net/~Nashville.Country.Dancers/page5.html>

Apr. 3 (Sat.) NACDS - Harry Delugach with Ed Baggott & Elsie Peterson

Apr. 9 (Fri.) Nashville - Chrissy Davis-Camp with Taylor Dunn, Andy Smith & friends

Apr. 10 (Sat.) Chattanooga - Chrissy Davis-Camp

Apr. 10 (Sat.) B'ham FoOTMaD: The Tune Dogs with Susan Davis calling

Apr. 16 (Fri.) Nashville - Susan Kevra with The Wingates AT VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

Apr. 17 (Sat.) NACDS - Doug Singleton with Smoke and Mirrors (all from Atlanta)

Apr. 23 (Fri.) Nashville - Nashville Weather with Jim Coode

Apr. 23-25 B'ham FoOTMaD - "Wild Asparagus 'N Ham" register by April 1st.

Apr. 30 (Fri.) Nashville - Melmac Lickers with Doug Singleton

In Atlanta they dance on Fridays and Tuesdays - see <http://contradance.org>

In Knoxville they dance every Monday - see <http://www.kornet.org/kcd/>

In Memphis they dance 1st and 3rd Fridays - see <http://hometown.aol.com/horselovers/index.html>

To get your dances on the schedule, e-mail us with the particulars by the 20th of the month. - Doug & Bryan

Other Dance Events of Note

MEMFEST Pandamonium - March 12-14 Hotpoint with Cis Hinkle

FoOTMaD's "Wild Asparagus 'N Ham" is April 24-25 at the YWCA in Birmingham.

See their web site for details: <http://www.bamalong.com/bcds.htm>

Our own 2004 Blue Moon Weekend will be May 21-23 at the UAH University center.