

COLUMBUS FOLK DANCERS NEWSLETTER

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For Columbus Folk Dancers the wedding of members Tom Kangas and Lea Anne Sonenstein (now Kangas) was a major event on Saturday, July 1. Following the Quaker wedding ceremony at the Clintonville Women's Club and dinner there, Mixed Bag played for an evening of dancing beginning with a Grand March directed by Tina Gehres. This wedding unites two others who frequently come to CFD on Wednesday evenings: Henry Kangas and Shoshi Sonham. Needless to say we are all delighted and wish them well — and thank them for a wonderful evening of music, dance and fellowship.

Congratulations to Suzanne Rizer who earned the Bronze Medal in Swedish dancing this summer with partner Harry Khamis at the annual medal testing in Sweden. All in all she spent 2 weeks in Sweden, at the Rättvik Folk Festival and a dance training camp before the official test. To pass she had to select and pass dancing 3 dances from their list.

During the summer CFD held a corn roast in the court yard. Chris brought a small gas grill and had prepared the corn ahead of time. Others brought butter, salt, lemonade and lime, an interesting complement to the corn. Since the grill held only 4-5 cobs at a time eating and dancing rotated throughout the evening.

The courtyard also provided a pleasant location for our end-of-the-evening snacks this summer by moving a table outside and snacking there by candlelight.

While on vacation in Minneapolis this summer, Ann and John Kangas danced at Tapestry on their regular Friday night International Folk Dance. Former Columbus dancer, Barb Scotford (Nancy's sister) joined them for the evening. Tapestry is of special interest to folk dancers as they own the building where they dance. They, of course, have wooden floors (two of them). Space is then rented out to many other dance groups: Contra, English Country, Latin, Scandinavian, Swing, Belly, and Hula. Interestingly the only unscheduled nights in July and August were all the Wednesdays — and one Tuesday.

Tom and Lea Anne dance at their wedding.



On Sept 6 CFD celebrated Mary Lea Bailey's 80 years — most of them dancing.



Left: Mary Lea Bailey and Ann Kangas with the quilt CFD made for Mary Lea some 25 years ago. Right: Nancy Buehler partners Mary Lea in Hills of Habersham

CFD's MIDSUMMER DANCE

