# COLUMBUS FOLK DANCERS NEWSLETTER

**July 5, 2017** 

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#### NOTE all teaching is informal unless otherwise noted

WED June 28. Margaret Quamme

WED July 5. Leslie Scott.

WED July 12. Ann Kangas.

WED July 19. Sultana Nahar

WED July 26. Barb Molonson

WED Aug 2. Chris Gecik

WED Aug 9. Sylvia Thomas

WED Aug 16. Alexander Long

WED Aug 23. Margaret Quamme

FRI Aug 25. CFD Committee Mtg. 7:30 @ Ann's.

WED Aug30. Ann Kangas

**WED Sept 6.** Sultana Nahar We start dancing at Clinton Hts. lower level.

WED Sept 13. Leslie Scott

WED Sept 20. Barb Molonson

WED Sept 27. Chris Gecik

WED Oct 4. Sylvia Thomas

WED Oct 11. Margaret Quamme

WED Oct 18. Alexander Long











## CFD elects Committee Members on May 24 for 2017-18

CFD's longstanding practice for choosing a President is that he/she be a CFD member and have served on the Committee previously. Additionally a president is limited to two years at a time. Chris Gecik had served well for the last 2 years. Leslie Scott was elected as the next President.

Following the election for president, Committee members are elected with no responsibility designation, to be decided at the next Committee meeting. The following dancers were elected: Betty Athy, Chris Gecik, Ann Kangas, Alexander Long, Sieglinde Martin, Barb Molonson, and Sylvia Thomas.

#### **NEWSLETTER UPDATE** .....Ann Kangas

As we have reported CFD Committee meetings on page 2 of previous Newsletters, changes will be coming to the Newsletter. The Newsletter is only available to CFD members, subscribers, and to dancers who could pick one up at dancing. But over time other ways of informing have made this form obsolete.

Leslie and Chris have done an excellent job of almost weekly emailing the schedule and changes thereto, special activities, and upcoming CFD and other dance events. Chris has maintained and kept current the schedules for the RFDC dance groups as well as CFD's MC schedule (and keeping it updated as late changes are made).

So this Newsletter has become minimally important, as a source of information for CFD's MCs and events (p. 1) and the schedule of other dance groups (p. 4).

Page 2 has carried a report of the CFD Committee meeting discussions, though Leslie's emails contain all Committee decisions. Page 2 does contain a list of some upcoming events — which are gathered from a variety of available sources.

As the Newsletter has evolved over the many years I have put it together, only page 3 now presents the News and Notes about CFD members —and pictures. We are delighted that Alexander has joined CFD and the Committee. We are now ready to recognize the value of his advice that, of course, we should be on facebook — (as in "that's where everyone is") — the value of this social media has for connecting us with a new audience and introduce us to — possible dancers? Facebook members can go to facebook, click on groups, and Columbus Folk Dancers.

The possibilities of communication have changed over the years — and so have I. But as long as we dance you will know about us one way or another— mostly on line, but sometimes in print.

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### CFD COMMITTEE MEETING HELD THURSDAY June 22 at Sylvia Thomas' Barb,

Betty A, Chris, Leslie, Alexander, Ann, Sieglinde and Sylvia were present. At this first meeting of the 2017-2018 CFD Committee we welcomed Alexander to the Committee and assigned ourselves the following responsibilities

Treasurer: Chris Gecik Secretary: Sylvia Thomas Newsletter: Ann Kangas

Equipment: Chris Gecik

Vice Pres Betty Athy

Publicity: Alexander Long, Sieglinde Party Supplies: Sieglinde Martin and Barb Molonson

Ann apologized for omitting the Newsletter which should have been published following the Workshop in March with teacher, Sema Deeds. That workshop was well attended and it was very clear that dancers enjoved her dances. The Silent Auction netted \$391.00

We agreed that the Midsummer Party held on June 21 was GREAT! Even though we did not have a "Maypole" this year. To begin with this was the first night when we were dancing in the upstairs room the entire evening as the Scottish dancers take the summer off. Mixed Bag played and that is always special. Counting the musicians (most of whom found time to do a dance — or few—) there were over 30 of us welcoming the summer solstice.

Discussion continued regarding inviting guest teachers to teach at a regular Wed. night CFD. Subsequently we learn that Lea Anne Kangas will teach a dance or two (Kol Hanshama for one) on July 26 and Aug 2.

Also discussed was the possibility of a weekend mini workshop like we had with John Pappas last year. It was decided, however, that we would hold a class at Clinton Hts at 5:00 on Sunday, July 9 focused on the teaching of dances by MCs and other current dancers. (

The Bulgarian band, Kabile, is returning to Columbus on Saturday, Sept. 23 and CFD is asked to help support their fee and travel costs. Many remember enjoying their previous concert and CFD agreed to a \$100 support and recognized that there would be an individual admission charge for concert-goers.

We also agreed that non-member dancers could pay \$10.00 for the entire summer period, June 28-Aug 30, when we are dancing upstairs the whole evening at Clinton Heights — which is a total of 11 evenings of dancing!

Discussion continued regarding the Newsletter — mostly re the fact that we are entering the social media world via facebook plus the regular emails that Leslie sends out with information and announcements. The p. 4 list of the activities of other dance groups is available at www.recfolkdancecolumbus.org/CFD (as shown in the box be-

low). At the website click on the underlined brown wording to find events, and member groups.



FOLK DANCE WEBSITES Find links to RFDC member groups and to many groups in Ohio and beyond.

www.recfolkdancecolumbus.org/CFD

**Recreational Folk Dancers of Columbus** 

www.recfolkdancecolumbus.org

#### ....COMING ATTRACTIONS

SAT July 29 NATIONAL DANCE DAY – Last Saturday in July www.nationaldaycalendar.com/national-danceday-last-saturday-in-july

SAT July 29 7:00 pm NATIONAL DANCE DAY in Columbus. RFDC celebrates the day by dancing "flash mob style" near Broad and Marconi where the CFD monument stands. Dancers will dance folk dances and invite audience participation. Bring copies of your dance flyers. (Note: The CFD monument is for Columbus Fire Department, but Columbus Folk Dancers find the "acronym" inviting.)

AUG 13-20. Dance, Music and Spice Week. Camp Cavell, near Lexington, MI. Details on CDSS website.

SAT Sept 9. Mixed Bag celebrates COMING OF AGE -21 at Clinton Hts Veselba (Bruce Sagan, Nan Nelson and Chris Reitz) have been invited to play — so Mixed Bag can dance!

SAT Sept 23. Bulgarian dance band Kabile performs (time and location to be determined).

Oct. 13-15. FRI-SUN Harvest Moon Dance Weekend, Oak Park IL. Bruce Hamilton & Bare Necessities. https://chicagolandecd.org/harvest-moon-danceweekend/

SAT-SUN OCT 14-15. Greek Workshop with Joe Graziosi. Dayton, Solomon Pavilion. Information to be sent out in early August. www.DaytonFolkDance.com/mvfd

FRI-SUN Dec 1-3. Winter Warmup. See RFDC website for details.



#### IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

In case of snow - or other emergency - if Columbus declares a Level 2 (or 3) emergency or if OSU cancels classes on a Wed. evening CFD is automatically cancelled. Go to our website www.recfolkdancecolumbus.org/CFD for connections regarding the emergency level and for a statement from the CFD Committee. Or finally if in doubt call a committee member.

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Midsummer at CFD June 21, 2017







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WHETSTONE FOLK DANCERS Whetstone Recreation Center 3923 N. High St. Everyone welcome. Mondays 7-8:30 pm. Find us in our own dance room — off the gym. Whetstone Rec Center is closed on Federal holidays so if/when one falls on a Monday, dancing is cancelled SUMMER HOURS: June thru August. WFD dances 1st & 3rd Mondays at the Whetstone Park covered pavilion. (follow the road west from the library to the covered pavilion (on the hill above the parking lot.) Questions? Call Nancy at 614-451-0716 or Betty at 614-477-4709 or email <mpasserini1016@gmail.com>

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING. 7:30-9:30 p.m. (followed by tea and light snacks 9:30-10:00) Clinton Heights Lutheran Church at the corner of Clinton Heights and N. High. 1st, 3rd & some 5th Sundays Oct-June. Live Music. Call Sue 263-9501, Laura 614-270-9160 or Mike 614-459-0151 to confirm. http://www.columbusenglishcountrydance.org

July 16 Aug 20 Sept 17

**BIG SCIOTY CONTRA DANCE**. First Congregational Church, 444 E. Broad St, downtown Columbus. Dancing 8-11:00. Walk-ins \$8.00, Members \$7.00, Ages 12-24, \$4.00, Children under 12 free. www.bigscioty.com

SAT July 22 6:30 Annual Potluck & Contra Dance. Bring a dish to share.

Kathy Anderson & The Pegheads

SAT Aug 5 Contra Dancing at Dublin Irish Festival. Kate Power & Boys of the Hock

SAT Sept 16.

SAT Oct 7

SAT Oct 21

SAT Nov 4

SAT Nov 18

SAT Dec 1-3 Winter Warmup

ALL SOLES CONTRA DANCE. 8:00-10:30. First Unitarian Universalist Church, 93 W. Weisheimer. Adults \$8, ages 12-24 \$4, children under 12 free. Child care provided. Please wear clean non-marking shoes. http://firstuucolumbus.org/AllSoles

SAT Aug 19. Dave Notman & The Sandy Tar Brothers SAT Sept 8. Margaret Goodman & Changeling SAT Nov 10. TBA & Timberwolves

CLINTONVILLE CONTRA DANCES. Clinton Hts. Lutheran Church,

15 Clinton Hts. Ave. 7:30-10:30. Open Mic for callers.

Music by Three Rivers String Band . \$5.00 www.bigscioty.com

YELLOW SPRINGS FOLK DANCING. Tentatively scheduled on 1st & 3rd Fridays 6:30-8:30 at the John Bryan Community Center in Yellow Springs. For confirmation about folk dancing on a Friday night contact Patty at plg2010@yahoo.com or let Patty know you would like to get a reminder e-mail

DAYTON/MIAMI VALLEY FOLK DANCERS (937-256-4137 or 937-878-0881). Michael Solomon Pavilion, MVFD is making the 2nd Sunday of the month available for a variety of dancer events. Call for latest information or see www.daytonfolkdance.com/mvfd

Regular Thursdays at Michael Solomon Pavilion 7:00-10:30 pm

Beginners' teaching 7-8:00 Requests & advanced teaching 8-10:30

BALKAN DANCE PARTY. New time: Saturdays 7:30-10:30 Old Township Bldg (behind St. John's Episcopal Church) 67 E. Dublin-Granville Rd (2nd driveway east of High St on 161) Worthington, OH. \$5.00 donation. No party themes this year. Balkan dances taught 7:30-8:00.. Bring snacks and tapes to share. For info call Kathy or Phil at 614-262-7807 or . www.RobertSnider.com/Balkannight.

Oct 28 Nov 25 Dec 16 Jan 27 Feb 24 Mar 24 Apr 28

HILLEL 46 E. 16th: Tuesdays 8-10:30 (doors locked after 9 p.m. but instructions for late comers taped to door) 8-8:30 Review sessions. For information call Mim at 614-236-5486 or Hillel at 614-294-4797. Park behind Hillel or west of Indianola School. on 16th. Some Tuesdays may be canceled during holidays A donation of \$2.00 would be appreciated.

**HEATHER 'N' THISTLE, COLUMBUS RSCDS** meets **Thursdays** 7:30-9:30 at Gates-Fourth United Methodist Church, 1234 S. 4th St. Contact Laura 614-270-9160 or lrussell942@gmail.com to confirm dance nights.

IRISH COUNTRY DANCERS . Riverside United Methodist Church, 2701 Zollinger Rd (SW corner of Zollinger Road and Kioka Avenue) Upper Arlington OH 43221. 3:30 to 5:30 pm. on selected Sundays. \$5:00

614-457-1425 coplin.2@osu.edu Or check the RFDC calendar on line.

NEW SCANDINAVIAN DANCE GROUP 800-9:00 pm, usually 4th Mondays of the month from September through April (except 2nd Mon. in December) at Clinton Heights Lutheran Church, 15 Clinton Heights Avenue in Clintoville. Teaching from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m., followed by open dancing and requests. The cost is \$3 per person. The dances are all couple dances, but you don't need to bring a partner; we'll rotate and make sure everyone gets a chance to dance. Wear leather-soled shoes. <a href="http://scandidancecolumbus.org">http://scandidancecolumbus.org</a>. There's a downloadable flier on the website if you want to print some out for distribution. For more information, email info@scandidancecolumbus.org