COLUMBUS FOLK DANCERS NEWSLETTER

August 15, 2018

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Individual dues \$50 per year....\$15 per calendar quarter. Couples \$80 & \$25 1st visit free. Thereafter \$3 per night

Newsletter subscription for non-members \$7

NOTE all teaching is informal unless otherwise noted

WED AUG 8. Chris Gecik

WED Aug 15. Margaret Quamme

WED Aug 22. Leslie Scott **PARTY! PARTY! PARTY!** "Accordionist extraordinaire", John Matulis is visiting the Midwest and will provide an evening of dancing for us at Clinton Hts, **Bring party food**. Donation suggested (but not required) \$3.00.

WED Aug 29. Sylvia Thomas.

WED Sept 5. Ann Kangas (1st night back downstairs)

WED Sept 12. Sultana Nahar

WED Sept 19. Chris Gecik

FRI Sept 21. Committee meeting 7:30 pm at Lea Anne's.

WED Sept 26. Sieglinde Martin

WED Oct 3. Margaret Quamme

WED Oct 10. Sylvia Thomas

WED Oct 17. Leslie Scott

WED Oct 24. Lea Anne Kangas



WED Nov 7. Sultana Nahar

Philadelphia-based John Matulis and his accordion visits the

Midwest John plays regularly in and around the Philadelphia area. One group where he plays, Beaver Folk Dancing, has this comment on its website: "John Matulis is our once-a-month accordionist. John can play just about anything from a Bulgarian ručenica to 'Lady of Spain'! He



has played for our group on the second Wednesday of most months since the 80s. Amazing repertoire." Feel free to make requests; he'll play them if he knows them.

INTRODUCING JOHN MATULIS

John has been actively playing music for international folk dancing in the greater Philadelphia area and beyond since 1967, when he joined the Penn (University of Pennsylvania) Balalaika Orchestra as its first accordionist. He then started a career as musician and orchestrator for various instrumental and dance groups, including Voloshky Ukrainian Dance Ensemble, Janosik Polish Dance Ensemble and Igra Balkan Performers. For six years, John directed the Penn Balalaika Orchestra, during which time he selected the repertoire, arranged music and taught bass domra and all sizes of balalaika. He is director and founder of ZIMA Eastern European Ensemble, a small instrumental and vocal performing group. John also performs (irregularly) as soloist for Ukrainian, Lithuanian, Russian, Scandinavian, Serbian, German, French and Italian events. In folk dance circles, John is especially known for his energetic, well-paced performances at parties and his huge repertoire of folk dance tunes. He's even been known to teach a dance now and then! You can find a video of him on YouTube playing Miselou:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bTbcfj2cHp4



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CFD COMMITTEE MEETING HELD SUNDAY

July 23 at Sieglinde's Leslie, Chris, Ann, Lea Anne, Rachel, Sylvia, Sieglinde were present.

CFD election was held June 6, 2018. All current members were re-elected. Additionally we elected Lea Anne Kangas (a former committee member) and Rachel Senchenkova to the Committee. The first item of business for a new committee is to assign ourselves to the CFD Committee positions. Following our custom of electing a President and committee members, Leslie was elected President on election night, June 6. The rest of the Committee assignments were made at the July 23 meeting and are shown on the page 1 heading.

We noted that Wed. Aug 1 would be the last evening that Linda and Allen Collingham would be with us as his current assignment to Kroger's has ended. We will have an ice cream and toppings farewell snack at our mid-evening break to sweeten-up our farewell evening.

Sylvia has been working on name-tags and will bring the ones she has on a board to hold the tags along with pins and string. She will add name tags as needed.

Chris has put in a solid state hard drive and made other adjustments to the music library, iPod, updated OS and will bill for Deep-Freeze software — but does not guarantee there will be no more bugs.

We noted that Alexander had put CFD on Facebook, which opened up a discussion about publicity for CFD. The discussion about social media for CFD and what forms of publicity would best fit CFD was tabled for another time.

Several members had inquired about obtaining copies of music to be shared at an outside activity. We agreed that "a more concrete decision needed to be made about how this music can be shared within the parameters of format conversion and intellectual property that Chris would like to maintain."



Your new CFD Committee hard at work!

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COLUMBUS INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES IT WILL BE HELD IN 2018

"CIF is better than ever before. FREE Admission. FREE Parking. No ticket required "

Date: September 29-30, 2018

Venue: Franklin Park Adventure Building

Dr. Jindal says" "The 2018 Columbus International Festival will continue a 63 year tradition of bringing together the diverse cultural community in Central Ohio....."



We congratulate Alexander Long on being accepted to Medical School at Wright State. We are sorry this means he will not dance with us very often for awhile- or serve on the CFD Committee. However, we assure our MVFD friends that we have encouraged him to discover the Miami Valley Folk Dancers now that he is so close to them.



We asked how Mim Chenfeld was doing.....

Hi Guys- Ann, thanks for checking up on me. Your visit was so sweet and helped the healing. Will be back n Columbus soon after some weeks in NY with my son and his family- (flat floors, no stairs, etc. easy rehab time) Am almost all there- will have to wait a little before dancing but closer. Please give all the CFD friends my big hugs and thanks for such dear cards and good wishes. Everyone enjoy rest of summer. Goes tooo fast! Peace and Love, Mim



Many of you know that John Pappas, MVFD dancer, teacher ,and CFD Mini Workshop teacher at Clinton Hts on Sat. April 23, 2016, was recently hospitalized diagnosed with a non cancerous brain tumor. Ellen Rice writes: "They don't have a name

for this tumor, but it was definitely benign and they were able to remove almost all of it." John is still at Kettering Memorial (for 2-3 weeks) so that CFD readers are advised to email his wife Carole Pappas at <<u>cepappas@sbcglobal.net</u>> to send greetings or arrange a visit.

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August 1, 2018. CFD bids Allen and Linda Collingham farewell as they head west to their Nebraska home and on to other work assignments for Allen. We loved knowing them as friends, dancers and teachers and hope work brings them back again!







August 1, 2018 was also Sieglinde Martin's 1st night to MC!