

COLUMBUS FOLK DANCERS NEWSLETTER March 8, 2017

Clinton Heights Lutheran Church
15 Clinton Heights Ave. at N. High St.
Wednesdays, 7:30-10:00 p.m.
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Guests: 1st visit free. Thereafter, \$3 a night.

NOTE all teaching is informal unless otherwise noted

WED Mar 8. Chris Gecik

FRI Mar 10. CFD Workshop 8:00-11:30 pm. 4th Ave. Christian Church. Live music by Hajde and requests.

[Silent auction Fri & Sat]

SAT Mar 11. 4th Ave Christian Church.

10:00 am-12:30 pm

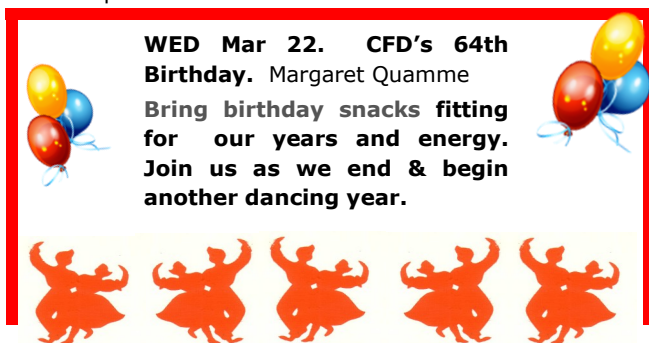
2:30 pm-5:00 pm

7:30-11:30 pm International Dance party, Mixed Bag & requests

SUN Mar 12. 10:00 am-12:30 pm. Stomping Grounds in Hilliard. Review. 1:00 lunch with Sema (location TBA) Go to website for more info.

<http://recfolkdancecolumbus.org/CFD/Workshop/Home.html>

WED Mar 15. Sylvia Thomas. Evening will include review of the Workshop dances.



WED Mar 22. CFD's 64th Birthday. Margaret Quamme
Bring birthday snacks fitting for our years and energy.
Join us as we end & begin another dancing year.

FRI Mar 24. CFD Committee Mtg. 7:30 @ Leslie & Chris'

WED Mar 29. Ann Kangas.

WED Apr 5. Leslie Scott

WED Apr 12. Sultana Nahar

WED Apr 19. Barb Molonson

WED Apr 26. Chris Gecik

WED May 3. Sylvia Thomas

WED May 10. Margaret Quamme

WED May 17. Ann Kangas

WED May 24. Sultana Nahar

WED May 31. Leslie Scott

WED June 7. Barb Molonson

WED June 14. Chris Gecik



Kathie Epp, an MC from our past — CFD's birthday party 2006

CFD's upcoming 64th year of dancing is a good time to remember the "unsung heroes" that keep our feet moving, our hearts warm, and smiles on our faces

Of course Leslie comes to mind for all that she does, from teaching and going to other workshops to bring back new dances, to getting there early on Wednesdays to set up (and getting the big tub of "necessities" out) and/or upstairs (depending on where we dance that night). Plus emailing all dance info to members and friends. And Chris who maintains and updates all our computer music and info plus assisting Leslie in set up when he can.

And I must name Barb who for years has come with her jug of ice to fill with water which keeps our throats whetted — and for several years now assisted by her friend, Betty.

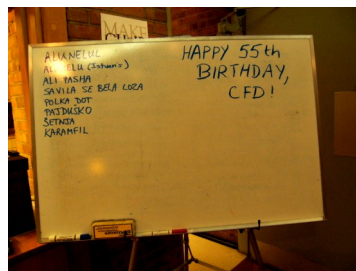
Now without naming names, think of all the MC's who today — and for the past 64 years — have prepared a program and played the dances, often selecting some you had almost forgotten.

Think of all the people who have stored and brought timely decorations and party supplies for a party: birthday, Halloween, Holiday, Valentines, Midsummer and more — and of all who brought the tasty refreshments and made punch for the above events.

And largely behind the scenes are the Committee Members who have planned events, answered questions, written and posted notices/ads in various venues, kept records of income, outgo and generally carried out — or made sure someone carried out all the above.

As for the smiles on our faces — think about the last time you laughed at CFD — someone made a quick joke, or a pun — a dance got all mixed up, and it was fun and funny.

And as to the warmth — the first thing we might think of is the room heat or lack of it on a particular night — and both have occurred. However there is another warmth that is here and more enduring — that of friendships. Seeing our dancing friends on a Wednesday night is part of the pleasure of dancing and adds warmth to our lives. Over the years — as dancers' lives change the warmth of those contacts continues in many ways as we continue contact with them in different ways and/or other places.



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CFD COMMITTEE MEETING HELD

FRIDAY Feb. 3 at Sylvia's Barb, Betty A, Chris, Leslie, and Ann were present.

We reviewed the evening of Wed. Nov. 30 when we joined the Scottish dancers upstairs for the Scottish ceilidh (pronounced kaylee) evening., Sandra Utrata said they take the opportunity of celebrating when a dance night falls on the 5th Wednesday of a month. In fact Donna Boyce from the Welsh dancers also joined in the dance rotation. We agreed that the evening of shared dances went well.

Chris and Leslie reviewed the planning for our Workshop March 10-12. The Friday night International dance party, Saturday teaching and Saturday night party will be held at 4th Ave, Christian Church at 4th and Neil. The location for the Sunday review session will be held at a new dance venue in Hilliard. It is called the **Stomping Grounds** and is designed for dance groups. It has a wooden floor and plenty of free parking. For map and directions see <http://recfolkdancecolumbus.org/CFD/Workshop/Directions.html> Sign-up sheets for Friday and Saturday — set-up, close-up, snacks, and registration — are out, asking for help with the behind-the-scenes necessities of a workshop.

The RFDC Mid-Winter dance held on Sat. Jan. 14 at the 4th Ave. Christian Church went well with just over 60 people — and the hall at a good room temperature. RFDC is the umbrella group for 8 dance groups and Leslie was the teacher representing CFD.

The possibility of guest teachers at CFD was deferred until after the Workshop.

Chris informed us that the computer has been updated to Mac OS 10.11.6. The music and iPod synced and backed up. The system tweaked for larger font sizes. (Thank you, Chris!)

Under new agenda items, Ann asked the Committee to begin thinking about the future of the Newsletter. She advocated that we should give thought to what information on paper was /useful/necessary/essential for CFD members. **The Newsletter goes only to members and paid subscribers** (with a few available for CFD visitors.) Leslie regularly emails CFD information to CFD members and to a wide number of people and the other groups who have interest in CFD giving, of course, location, place or time changes; parties, live music, etc. plus forwards information from other groups.

Ann noted that recently Ellen Rice, who edits the MFVD Newsletter, is recommending that all of their "routine" announcements and information be made via email and/or their website.

In short Ann was raising the questions: What is the best way to keep members informed of the weekly and upcoming events? What other information do members want/need? And what formats best provide them? Ann reminded us that the information of other folk dance groups on the Newsletter's p. 4 is all found on the CFD website.



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

CFD www.recfolkdancecolumbus.org/CFD

Recreational Folk Dancers of Columbus

www.recfolkdancecolumbus.org

....COMING ATTRACTIONS

FRI-SUN Mar 24-26. Pigtown Fling, Cincinnati
<http://recfolkdancecolumbus.org/RecCalendar.htm>

SAT Apr 29. Afternoon (TBA) & Evening Waltz Workshop & Dance with Margaret Goodman. 7:30-10:30 pm
Clinton Hts Lutheran Church. chenyney.1@osu.edu

SAT May 13. Spring Kolo Party. Performances by Zivio & Jr. Zivio. Dance party with live music. Dayton
http://southslavicclub.org/?page_id=16

FRI-SUN May 19-21. A World A'Fair. Dayton Intl Fest.
[The World A'Fair website](http://www.theworldafair.com)

SAT-SUN May 20-21. Mayapple Stomp Contra Dance.
Lake Logan, OH <http://recfolkdancecolumbus.org/RecCalendar.htm>

SAT-SUN May 27-28. Columbus Asian Festival
<http://recfolkdancecolumbus.org/RecCalendar.htm>

SAT-SUN June 3-4. Flamenco Dance Performance,
Plain City, OH . Time TBA

FRI-SUN June 9-11. Columbus Arts Festival on the
Riverfront
<http://recfolkdancecolumbus.org/RecCalendar.htm>

FRI-SUN June 26-25. ComFest in Goodale Park
More information on the ComFest website.

SAT July 29 NATIONAL DANCE DAY – Last Saturday in July www.nationaldaycalendar.com/national-dance-day-last-saturday-in-july What is Columbus doing?

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

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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Hillel and the Columbus folk dance community are saddened by the death of David Sweet, husband of Cicily Sweet on Feb. 14, 2017. The Memorial service (a Quaker-style service) will be March 12 at 3:00 pm at Xenos Christian Fellowship, 1934 N. 4th St. Columbus, 43201. [Cicily says to remember that 4th St is one-way going north and that March 12 is the first day of daylight savings time.]

Feb. 15, 2017 Valentine's party at CFD. Doug, Sylvia, Bob, Joan, Patricia, Sultana, Anil, Betty, Barb, Leslie, & Chris. patiently hold still for a picture —with the party refreshments behind them.



CFD
Valentine
parties
from the
past
2016



CFD Valentine Party Feb 12, 2014. Musician friends from Balkan Camp, Marjorie & Bill Selden, contacted their Hajde friends that they would be in Columbus. Hajde suggested that they all come to the party and Marjorie joined the musicians on her Macedonian tambura.

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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 Mike Passerini sparkpass@yahoo.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>

Mar 19 Apr 2 Apr 16 Apr 30 May 7 May 21 June 4 June 18

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 Mar 18 Kristen Planeaux & Wild Rumpus

SAT Apr 1. Margaret Goodman w/ Stephanie Schlie & Tri-County Revelers

SAT May 6. Drake Meadow & Big Fun

SAT-SUN May 20-21. Mayapple Stomp

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

FRI Mar 10. Richard Ades & Corn in the Mornin'

FRI May 12. Harry Dupen & Possum Spawn

SAT June 17

SAT July 22

SAT Aug 19

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

SAT Mar 25. Open Mic for callers & Three Rivers String Band

SAT April 22. Open Mic for callers & Three Rivers String Band

SAT April 29. Afternoon waltz workshop and evening waltz with Margaret Goodman

SAT May 27. Open Mic for callers & Three Rivers String Band

SAT June 25. Open Mic for callers & Three Rivers String Band

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.

Mar 25 Apr 22

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

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.** <http://scandidancecolumbus.org>. There's a downloadable flier on the website if you want to print some out for distribution. For more information, email info@scandidancecolumbus.org

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