

If you weren't at the Labor Day Camp you missed the greatest Folk Dance happening in the State of Florida. A happening which will only be superseded by our next camp, tentatively scheduled for February. Plans are in the process for this next happening and we will have more details in the November Newsletter. If the enjoyment of our first 70-80 campers is any indication of how hard they will encourage others to attend, the turnout for our second Camp should double that of the first! A collective thanks to everyone who did a part of the work that made the Camp a success.

MORE-ABOUT CAMP

- 1--If there are any dances you would especially like to have taught at the next Camp, please let us know. It would be helpful if we received perhaps two suggestions from each group.
- 2--No definite site has been selected yet, but the several that are being considered range in price from \$21.50 to \$16.50 per adult for just the accommodations (bed and meals). We'd have to add about \$4.00 per person on top of that to cover expenses for teachers, supplies, syllabus, etc. The camps under consideration have baths indoors adjacent to sleeping quarters, and are a bit "ritzier" than the Y camp. Could we get some kind of maximum estimate from each group indicating how high the people are willing to go for accommodations?
- 3--If some of you have not received the Labor Camp Syllabus yet it is because the list of those ordering them was lost, so please write to M Harold Pelta in Miami and tell him you are due one.
- 4--Larry Wartell found a child's shirt #10 with brown and orange stripes at the Y camp. The owner can contact him.
- 5--The vote was ~~overwhelmingly~~ overwhelmingly in favor of International meals. We'll try to repeat this in our next camp.
- 6--As good as the Labor Day Camp was, some things could have been better, and we plan on improvements next time around. The late-to-bed people were unfortunately too noisy at times and kept the need-to-sleep people from sleeping. And the late-to-meals people made everyone late in starting the teaching sessions. Both of these problems can be corrected next time around with everyone's cooperation.

WHAT ABOUT THE FLORIDA FOLKDANCE COUNCIL

An organizational meeting was held at the Camp, with the following results. It was decided that membership would consist of anyone in the State of Florida who is interested in Folk Dancing. There will, however, be a committee consisting of representatives from the various groups which will act as an executive body. Those at the meeting chose Nelle Westergard as Acting Chairman, and Cubby Whitehead was given the task of drawing up one final form for the Articles of Association. A copy is included with this Newsletter. READ IT. It shall be voted on during the next Camp.

Memberships in the council are still being taken. Dues are \$3.00 per person per year, or part thereof. SUPPORT FOLK DANCING IN FLORIDA AND JOIN. Send your dues and membership application to Nelle Westergard.

WHAT'S GOING ON NOW?

This section is for news of what you, as individual members of the Council, or as groups, are doing. Please write us about anything you think the other dancers throughout Florida might be interested in -- special exhibitions, parties, visiting teachers, etc. This is your Newsletter, so use it!

APOPKA - Central Florida Folk Festival, October 21. International Folk

Dancing will be capably represented by two groups at this mini Festival. Orlando and Sarasota are going to put on special exhibitions. A meeting is being held in conjunction with this Festival to try to solve the problem of where to hold the big State wide Florida Folk Festival. As some of you may know, this wonderful Festival will not be held at White Springs this May because the facilities are inadequate for the huge crowds it has attracted the past several years. Cubby Whitehead, from Sarasota, is Interim Chairman on the Steering Committee, and he invites any one with an interest in this event to come to the meeting or contact him. The meeting is around 5:30 PM at the High School Stadium in Apopka following the Folk Festival October 21st.

JENSEN BEACH -- Leif Ericsson and his crew landed Sunday October 8 and who was dancing on the shores to meet him (besides the Indians, that is)? The Tampa International Folk Dancers.

Tampa is having a Hallowe'en party Saturday October 28 and invites any other dancers who might be in the vicinity to come. It will start with a pot luck dinner at 6:30 featuring international dishes, and go on until? with all request dancing. The party will be held at the Florida Academy of Ballet, a ballet studio, located at Lois and Bay to Bay in Tampa.

Enclosed is the Directory we hope you all will be using. Please help us keep it up to date by notifying us of any changes or additions you might know of.

Address all comments, news items, changes in directory, suggestions, or any thing else you might have to Nelle Westergard, 10113 N. Ashley; Tampa, Fla., 33612; Phone 813 932-0830.