# FFDC NEWSLETTER



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Pres Sez

Yes Katy, there is a Santy Claus!!! Perfection is here folks. Julius and I found the perfect camp for next February. It is very close to the last year's camp physically -- maps will be forthcoming when the time comes. The name of the camp is Camp Ocala, it is run by the 4-H, has just been renovated and newly opened. I am making applications this moment. There is a gymnasium with a very, very soft floor that will hold hundreds, there is a great dining hall attached to the gymnasium, water fountains in the same rooms. There are 19 cabins, divided into two sides each, each side holds 8 people, each side has its own bathroom (yes, right inside) with a toilet, sink and shower, each side has central air or heating, whichever we need. Unless we get a million people, we should all have plenty of room -- couples included. Prices are the same and I'll start making arrangements. There's a lovely, clear lake, canoes, swimming area, tennis courts, volleyball net and very well kept grounds. The camp is near Leesburg, or near

Silver Springs -- that area. So I am excited to say the least, and now I will start to get

what I hope is a good combination of instructors.
Want to thank Julius and his gang for a wonderful weekend in Ormond Beach. By the way, Julius, Olga, Art and Maude and our newest dancer that went along, Mike -- all saw the camp, too, so it was a group decision on greatness. Anyway, it was good to see those of you who were there, to renew some old dances, and eat well, and in particular to see Ormond Beach's latest addition -- a lovely young woman from India who performed for us. . . outstanding . . . if the rest of the weekend had been a bomb, it would have been worth it to see her . . . but it was not a bomb!

We had a short meeting. A new treasurer has come forth from Tampa, name of Eileen Jacobs, a relatively new dancer, who has just opened her own law practice after having served three years with the Pinellas County Prosecution Office. I'm pleased she's taking over, and we should now be back in full force. Please send your money to her -- her address is 951 Broadway #102, Dunedin, FL 33528. If she moves, we'll notify you. If you lose this, send it to me, but try not to.

Other items under discussion: new camp site, teachers for camp, logo contest. Tallahassee is considering the Folkdancefest. We'll all hear later.

And that's it. Keep helping Julius by sending your articles. Terry.

Editors Notes Many thanks to all who have promptly renewed memberships when due. Please help your organization grow by personally inviting your friends to join; especially in those clubs where we have only one or two members. Your help will be sincerely appreciated.

Our logo contest introduced in the last issue is off to a wild start - we already have one entry! Your design for the FFDC logo should be on a large sheet of white paper, in black or dark ink, full size (for your T shirt), and adaptable for single and multi-color printing. The prize packages will be terrific! Send all entries to: FFDC Newsletter, 1018 Berkshire Road, Daytona Beach, FL, 32017, and all prize donations to our Prez. You all will have a chance to vote for the best design when published in the November newsletter.

Someone asked if they can submit colored photos for our December spectacular issue. The printer stated that we will lose about 10% in quality but they could be printed. Will have more on this a little later on. (Also on a special classified Christmas greeting page).

The membership list printed in this issue reflects the information Terry and I have in our records. If you find any errors in spelling, expiration dates, or address, please let us know as soon as possible. One additional word on addresses: The US Postal Service will NOT forward bulk rate mail!! If you have moved, you mail carrier will simply throw your newsletter away. Please let us know promptly of any address change... Thanks...

NEEDED: More RSVP questions, original articles, and suggestions. We want to make your newsletter useful and entertaining for you. Thank you for your help!

Julius & Olga

You are all invited to the wedding of PAT BRIDGHAM and ED PIERATTE at 2:00 PM on October first at the First Presbytarian Church in Tallahassee. YES, there will be dancing at the reception. Please contact Pat if you will be needing sleeping bag space, and we will try to arrange it... Pat & \$d...

On Monday, August eighth, Elaine Dunham of the Space Coast Folk Dancers and former member Ormond Beach IFD and Roland Dion, local square dance caller, will be married between tips at the Palm Coast Squares, Belle Terre Middle School Auditorium, Palm Coast. As their regular caller, Roland will call a couple of tips and then take time out for the brief ceremony. Several guest callers will then take over for the remainder of the evening. Because of the large crowd anticipated, please RSVP to: Ned Drulard, President Palm Coast Squares, (904) 455-2441.

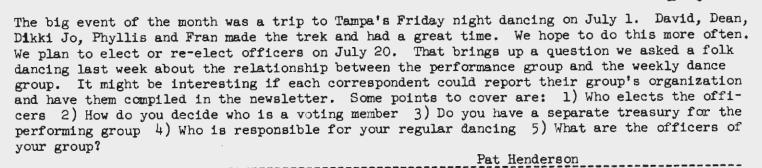
Our most interesting activity this past month was going to Ormond Beach for the "Spring Fling" (in July, yeah) all day dancing. Julius has found a hall with a wonderful wood floor and lots of charm. It was just the right size for our group of 30 to 40 attendees from Tallahassee, Orlando, Tampa, and the local environs. Several dances were taught during the day: Romanian Medley by Pat Bridgham, Jig Syr Watcyn by Judith Baizan, Hora de la Gorj by Terry Abrahams, Forgatos variations by Julius and Olga, and a folk dance from India by Lina, a young woman who has just moved to the area. We went en masse for a late but bountiful lunch at a nearby Morrison's Family Buffet, where we all ate enough good food to last us until midnight. (That's how it felt, anyway!) Then followed dancing and more dancing, and, toward evening, sandwiches and veggies, skits put on by Ormond Beach and by Tallahassee and Tampa in collaboration, and the stellar event we had all been waiting for: Lina demonstrated classic Indian dance movements and poses, and then performed 3 of these enormously difficult dances with consummate style and grace. Whatever happened after that was anticlimactic, but fun nevertheless. Thanks, Julius, and all the Ormond Beach dancers for providing this event for our enjoyment. Update on Joe Wadsworth: He's doing very much better, and, after 6 weeks in the hospital, looks forward to getting out "soon." He says he can't think of a better way of getting back into condition then good ole folk dancing.

Some of the TTFD travelers have returned with wonderful tales, and some are still over there living them. Maria Pasetti, one of the returnees, was hardly unpacked from Italy and Greece when it was time to move into her very own brand new house with its big beautiful wood parquet floor. Did you say something about hosting a party, Maria?

We are making August 5 a special evening that will appeal to people who have never been folk dancing. There will be refreshments, mixers, progressives, trios, and costumes. And maybe some live music. All "old" folk dancers who would like to come too are very welcome.

Judith

### MOUSE MUSINGS



## TALLAHASSEE

This is my first note as secretary of the Tallahassee group. We all want to thank Patti MacDonald for doing a wonderful job for the last two years. In fact, we want to thank all of the former folks who served. They were officers and gentlemen and women. In our last note, we neglected to mention that our new business officer is Kathy Ryan. Welcome, Kathy. Being in the thick (literally) of another humid Tallahassee summer, we are keeping cool by travelling down to St. George Island for the afternoon, tubing down the Ichetucknee River. (coming up), and visiting the Ormond Beachers. Anyone else have any ideas on keeping a cool head and body during this 200% humidity? Have you tried doing Iste Hendek under water lately? We are putting out the word. Lost. One Juan Dominquez. One Kay Harper. Juan was last seen making his way to the swollen waters of Salt Lake City. Kay was on her way to a camp in Venezuela to counsel young people and build a home. If anyone has heard from these two renegades, lately, send us a word and let them know we miss them.

## GAINESVILLE

First of all, my family and I loved England and Scotland, and after having my appetite whetted I am ready to pack my bags tomorrow and go to Greece, France, Bulgaria... the world. I didn't see any folk dancing at all but a couple I met on the plane said they had seen some finely executed Morris dancing in Straford on Avon. The Deakins are not back yet, but I think they will have more to report about dancing as they planned to attend festivals in Germany. Secondly, I promised that I would report on the Memorial weekend in Buffalo Gap camp. I didn't attend but several friends (ex-Gainesvillians) who live in Washington, D.C. did. It was cold the first night (Friday, May 27) -- in the thirties. Andor Czompo taught a simple ballroom csárdás as well as some more complicated dances. Dick Crum reviewed U Sest and Kermensko csárdás as well as some more complicated dances. Dick Crum reviewed U Sest and Kermensko olo (a great dance). He also taught a few new dances. Jerry Helt's sessions were a lot of fun (American Squares). One of my informants (Ellen Liberman) had such a good time that the camp situation was very nice and informal which was conducive to everyone's being that the camp situation was very nice and informal which was conducive to everyone's being relaxed and having a good time. The teachers too enjoyed themselves in this atmosphere. Leslie Marshall, my other informant, mentioned that the Sunday night party had a gypsy theme. Apparently she and Lorrie Moore decided to go as punk rockers rather than as gypsies. They wore mini skirts, dyed their hair blue and in Leslie's words "were unrecognizable and really avful." Anyway, the camp sounded much as I remembered it -- good dancing and teaching, friendly folks, and crazy antics. Last but not least the food was as fantastic as always. Last night (Saturday, July 16) Andreas Richter held one of his Olde Tyme Country Dances. Three musicians comprised the very good band (Dea Browning's husband was one of the musicians). Squares and contras were taught and all who att

Many thanks to everyone who helped make our Spring Fling such a success. The forty five who made it to Ormond Beach on the 9th all said they had a great time. It is always fun seeing old friends and making new ones. We missed the Srpski-Biser Dance Ensemble who had planned to come but were called to work that Saturday. (I know the problem -- I used to work for Honeywell, too!) Great news! As soon as we left the American Legion Hall, men came to install an air conditioning system. I'm sure it will work great for our Fall Fling (when it is cold outside).

Best wishes are extended to two of our members, Sam Jackson and Pauline Berger, who were married this month.

A professional folk dancer I met in Hungary will arrive in Daytona Beach on the 4th for a week's stay. If possible, we will arrange a workshop in advanced Hungarian dances with him. We will call group leaders with any additional information.

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Julius

Dear Everyone,

You may not know it, but July 9th was my birthday and I could not have asked for a better celebration than the Spring Fling! Thank you all for coming. It would not have been the success that it was without you. I would also like to thank the instructors for teaching the dances they taught, especially Pat for Romanian Medley and Terry for Hora de la Gorj. I'm glad everyone had a good time and I hope we can do this again real soon. This was only the second time I've met all of you, but it seemed as if we've been friends for a long time. I'm looking forward to our next "fling." 'Bye for now.

Rita Princi, OBIFD



# HOREHRONSKY CSARDAS (Slovakia)

To ta Helpa, to ta Helpa, To je pekne mesto. A'v te Helpe, A'v te Helpe, Svarnyick klapkov je sto.

First Chorus: //Toho je sto, toho je sto, Nie po mojej voli. L'en za Jednim, l'en za Jednim, Srdiečkoma boli.// 2. Za ja níčkom, za palíčkom, Kro-kby nespravila. Za duričkom, za misičkom, Dunaj preskočila.

Second Chorus:

//Dunaj, Dunaj, Dunaj,
Aj to sino pole.
L'en za Jednim, l'en za Jednim, Pocešenie moje.//



Ask RSVP any question you might have on dance descriptions, words, styling, music, costumes, etc. We will do our best to print an authorative answer for you....ASK RSVP...(all you wanted to know about FD but didn't know who to ask)

Dear RSVP: I would like the words to "Joshua." Thank you. Lisa Princi

Dear Lisa: Here are the words to Joshua. It is transliterated for easier pronunciation, except for the "ch" which sounds like the German "acht."

Vayehi acharei mot Moshe bamidbar Vayikra Elohim li "hohua vayomar Kum avor im ha'am et ha'Yarden El ha'arets asher anochi noten Kol makom asher tidroch kaf raglechem CHORUS:

Chazak ve'emats ve'al techat Ki lecha ha'arets hazot ha'achat VaYericho sogeret mipnei Bnei Yisrael Vayisu Hakohanim et keren hayovel Veha'am lasov et hachoma yotsim Uvenei Re'uven vegat chalutsim Vayari'a hashofar t'rua gedola Vechomat Yericho tacheteha nafla Vaykabtsu malchei ha'Emori ve'imam

Am rav kachol asher al sfat hayam Vayavo aleihem Yehoshua pitom Vayomar be'Givon lashemesh dom Vayare ach amad be emek Ayalon Vayanusu malkei Lachish ve'Eglon Vayak Yehoshua et melech Dor Ve'et melech Makeda ve'et melech Chatsor Ve'et melech Adulam ve'et melech Chevron Ve'et melech Achshav ve'et melech Shomron Ve'et melech Chorma ve'et melech Arad Kol hamlachim shloshim ve echad

« from MIT Folk Dance Club Song Book»

Dear RSVP: Any suggestions for something cool and refreshing? Anon.

Dear Anon: Here are a few cold soups, easily prepared and great tasting.

SCANDINAVIAN FRUIT SOUP

1 cup pitted prunes 1 cup dried apricot COMBINE all ingredients except the apple in a 3-

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tup raisins temon sliced quart pan. Add 6 cups of water and bring to boil, 3 cinnamon sticks tup sugar stirring. Reduce the heat and simmer for 20 mins. 3 tbsps quick-cooking 1 cup cubed, peeled Add apple cubes and simmer for 5 minutes more. 

COLD CHERRY SOUP (Hungarian)

2½ lbs. fresh, pitted sour cherries or IF using fresh cherries, place them in heavy 3-qt 2 lbs. canned pitted sour cherries Water l slice lemon with 2 tbsps suger 2 tsps cornstarch

saucepan, add 12 cups cold water -- enough to cover cherries. If using canned cherries, put them in slice lemon with cherries. If using canned cherries, put them in seeds removed the saucepan with the liquid from the can. Simmer 3 tbsps sour cream canned cherries for 5 mins, or until hot. Simmer fresh cherries for 10 mins, or until softened. In

either case, simmer the fruit with the sugar and lemon. Remove pan from heat. In small bowl, stir together cornstarch and sour cream, pour mixture into hot cherries. Return the saucepan to the stove and stir with wooden spatula until sour cream is well combined and liquid has thickened. Do not let the soup boil after the sour cream has been added. Cool, chill. Taste before serving, adding more sugar or a touch of lemon juice as needed. (serves 6)

PEACH IN CHAMPAGNE SOUP (Hungarian)

sugar

8 very ripe peaches bottle champagne 2 tbsps plus 1 cup cup white Riesling wine

PEEL peaches; halve 3 peaches and sprinkle with 2 tablespoons sugar; set aside. Dice remaining peaches. Crack peach pits, take out inner seeds and peel. Crush seeds in a mortar. Add diced peaches to

the seeds and mash together or puree in a blender. Add 1 cup sugar, mix, force through sieve. Add champagne and wine and gently stir, taking care not to release too many of the bubbles. Place 2 peach in each soup cup (use crystal cups), and fill with pureed peaches and wine. Adjust sugar to the sweetness of the peaches. (serves 6) -----

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