

FFDCN February, 1984 NEWSLETTER



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This camp has not been a smooth one to prepare, but by gosh and by golly - it will happen! The following people are paid and accepted into camp: Terry Abrahams, Shirley and Demetrius Babiak, Judith, Ernesto, Corey Baizan, Pat Bridgham, John and Kathy Callinan, Ginny and Manny Corwin, Dylan Conway, Wanda Despande, Don and Jackie Davis, Blanche Fearn, Julius Horvath, Andy and Shira Kapplin, Maude and Art Kiefer, Phyllis Kelley, Joy Mershimer, Maria Pasetti, Olga and Lisa Princi, Eric Robinette, Fred Reinfeld, Al Rubenstein, Sydelle and Monty Singer, George and Onie Senyk, Louis Tomasiello, Katy and Jim Warner, Craig Whitehead. People I'm sure are coming are Lydia and Motley Deakin, Jennifer Marvin, Gus Tirellis, Eileen Jacobs. I have good guesses on others, but need to hear from you for sure - come on - I'm considering panic - don't put me in that position!

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS:

Starting time: 7:30, general dancing, instruction 9:00 on Friday evening. You may come to camp as early as noon. However, please do not go into the cabins until I arrive. I want to assign cabins; so just enjoy - and we'll unpack together. There are actually 38 rooms, each with baths, so there is no need to panic.

Sleeping arrangements: You may sleep with whom you want. Couples alone, couples together, singles alone, singles together, all girls, all guys. We will do it with care so as not to offend anyone at all. Remember to bring your sleeping bags, or sheets and blankets and pillows. Mattresses are provided, heat or air, depending on Florida weather for that weekend. If you are picking up an out of stater, please see if they need you to help with bedding. No RV hookups, but self contained may come and use their own.

Meals: I promised you I would, but this camp comes with a cook, and they will not provide special meals for vegetarians. I guess at least I'm telling you ahead of time. Please bring extras for yourselves if you feel veggies, salads and breads are not sufficient. All snacks will be substantial this year, and since these are being done by individual clubs, they will account for vegetarians. Dinner will not be served on Friday night, but a very nice snack will, so eat a heavy lunch or a light dinner - depending.

Schedule: Nelda Drury is running into a personal problem and will not be able to join us until Saturday around noon. I am tentatively planning to have Sunni do her regular teaching and a craft corner following the teaching which should be great fun from the sounds of it. Timing after that may include some contra teaching, followed by our State meeting, which is, as you active members know, important to have. Please plan on attending. So if you were coming specifically for Nelda, please note this change. The rest of the schedule will be given to you at camp. There will be another campfire (by request) and if you have an instrument that is conducive to campfires (playing at them, i.e.) then please bring along. There will also be special parties - bring dress up clothes (folk costumes). If you'd like to do a skit, bring appropriate stuff. I have planned some games etc. as you all know - I do it every year.

Sales: We will have the annual costume exchange and/or sale - bring your odds and ends that you never use - maybe someone is looking for just that piece. I'm afraid we won't have the bonanza we had last year with Mickey Cross doing her spring cleaning, but it should still be fun. Maria will be there with her Thracian Bazaar, so be prepared! She will be inside this year, which will help her immensely and us a little.

Directions: Julius' little map was a marvelous little piece of information. For extra help: Gainesville - 1½ hours away, take 441. Ormand beach, same time, take exit of 95 to 40. Orlando take Sunshine to 75 to 40, the back-roads are equidistance if you can find them. Tampa - 2½ to 3 hours, take 75 to exit marked 40.

Miscellaneous: Camp Phone Number: 904-759-2288. Bring sweaters just in case. Remember soft sole shoes - this is not wood, but a spongy floor - the latest in basketball courts. The record player will not bounce around this year. If you can't come the whole weekend, pick a day, if you can't come a day, come an evening. If we ever get REAL established, you won't have that privilege - so take advantage and come see us. I must know ahead for meals; but if you promise not to eat - you can come at the last minute for dancing!

WILL WE SEE YOU THERE???

Tracy

ST. BONIFACE FOLK DANCERS

According to the Herald, Sarasota's first settlers were Scottish and all this month Sarasota has been celebrating its Scottish heritage with a parade of the Kiltie Band, a St. Armand's Key promotional entitled, "The British Are Coming!" and a Banquet in honor of their famous poet, Robert Burns.

By happy coincidence, the St. Boniface Folk Dancers will be holding their first workshop on January 21. Onie and George Senyk very graciously offered to travel to Sarasota from Sharpes, Florida to introduce the group to Scottish dancing. Several couples from Scotland staying at the Meadows (the local British enclave) saw the newspaper announcements and will be attending the afternoon instruction and the evening Ceilidh, which has turned into a birthday party for Robert Burns. Larna Joint from Ontario, Canada has offered to prepare a haggis and Ronald Joint will Address the haggis with the traditional verses of Robert Burns, received with full lilt and burr.

We have just learned that our sister club in Charleston, S.C. (which we helped get started) will be holding their first workshop the same day. All those here and in Charleston who have worked so diligently for three years developing new folk dancers and nurturing a corp of dedicated dancers feel that these two events mark a passage and constitute a coming to maturity for a beginners' group. Shirley Babiak

ORMOND ODDS AND ENDS



The year is now in full swing - - and so is our schedule. Our biggest performance of the month was for the Daytona Beach Symphony Guild's annual bridge lunch on January 28. The purpose of the lunch was to raise money for the Daytona Beach Symphony Society and the Florida Symphony Orchestra. We were part of a show that included a Scottish dancer, a bagpiper, a pianist and two singers. Aside from the fact that the stage was too small for the number of dancers we had, everything went well.

Many big events are in the wings with the biggest being (of course) the George Washington Weekend. The combination of excellent teaching and facilities promises to make the weekend unforgettable. To the new members of the FFDC: Don't miss this opportunity to meet all of the other members of the council.

Everyone's looking forward to the performance of the Hungarian State Folk Ensemble. We can testify from personal experience to the ensemble's excellence. Unfortunately, there won't be a workshop, but Bob Weinstein has organized a reception that should be fantastic.

The Delibab Folk Dance Ensemble from Budapest, Hungary is arriving in Daytona Beach in May. Any workshops or performances in Hungarian song and/or dance may be arranged by contacting Julius Horvath, (904) 252-5738, 1018 Berkshire Road, Daytona Beach, FL 32017.

Don't forget our upcoming workshop in Russian dances with Alexandru David on May 4, 5, and 6. Set aside the weekend now! See you at upcoming events. O B I F D

MOUSE MUSINGS

Everyone has returned from their holiday trips safe and sound. Bobby and I had a small New Year's Eve party and invited mostly folk dancers. We thought we would do a lot of dancing but we spent most of the time eating, talking, and drinking around our fireplace. Our performance group seems to be in its usual hiatus.

Pat Henderson

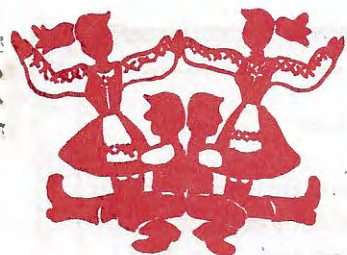
TAMPA TRIVIA

This seems to be the season for comings and goings and weddings, or, at least, plans for them. Comings include our regular winter visitors John and Connie Elton, Maury and Eleanor Lieb, and Jackie and Don Davis who have come from the north this time to stay for good. Bobbie Ward jetted home from Germany for a marvelously long vacation, Terry Abrahams' Patty arrived with husband and daughter for another Florida winter, and Daemon Baizan moved to Gainesville with seven cameras and a van full of photographic accessories. Wedding plans are in the making for Wanda Deshpande and Dylan Conway (in May?), and for Cory Baizan and Eric Robinette in June (I think. . .)

At the Masaryktown workshop Don Armstrong was his usual indefatigable self, cameo appearances were made by George and Onie Senyk, Cubby Whitehead, and Marie Armstrong, among others, and a delightful time was had by all present.

Don't forget the S.P.I.F.F.S. Folk Fair on the weekend right after the camp. The Tampa group will be dancing as Italians on Sunday afternoon, and I will also be on with Curra Serrano and her Spanish dancers who are scheduled earlier the same afternoon.

See you at camp. Let's have a GREAT TURNOUT for Mexico and Romania ! Judith Baizan



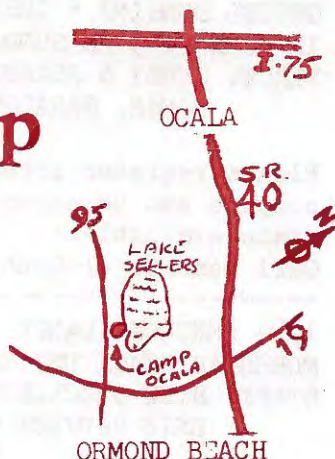
SONNI BLOLAND NELDA DRURY

FEB 17 - 20, 1984

George Washington's Birthday Weekend Camp

Sponsored By Florida Folk Dance Council

CAMP CHANGE!!! The camp will be held at the new 4-H Camp Ocala located between Ocala and Ormond Beach, off SR 19 on beautiful Lake Sellers. It has individually heated and air conditioned cabins, each with their own baths. **NOTE** You must wear soft soled shoes as the dance hall has a very expensive cushioned surface. Let's not do anything to lose this outstanding camp. (From SR-40, turn South on 19, then Right on 95 to camp)



Total Package: (4 days) \$ 90.00

Early Registration: (4 days) \$ 85.00 non-FFDC members (registration by Jan. 23, 1984)
\$ 80.00 FFDC members (registration by Jan. 23, 1984)

Fee for non-dancers: (4 days) \$ 50.00

Per Diem:

Each evening dance party: \$ 10.00 (includes: instruction/review, snacks, party)
One day, one night: \$ 30.00 (please be very specific as to which day and night)
One day, no night: \$ 25.00 (again -- be specific as to which day)

Early Departure: Deduct \$ 10.00 for departure any time Sunday.

Last day to register: February 6, 1984 (late fee of \$ 5.00 if registration received after this date -- please do not come without a registration)

Scholarships: Partial scholarships available -- \$ 45.00
Recipients will be asked to do light duties that will not conflict with dance schedules.

Refund: Full refund through Feb. 6, 1984. No refunds thereafter.
No substitute without prior permission.

Bring: Bedding, (or sleeping bag), pillow, towel, soap, flashlight, comfortable dance clothes and footwear, costumes for evening dance parties, warm sweater (just in case)

We will have the third annual costume exchange -- bring pieces or whole costumes either for barter or for sale. Thracian Bazaar will be there with their costumes, accessories, etc.)

Don't forget to bring your favorite costumes for the Saturday and Sunday evening parties!!!

NAME (S) _____

ADDRESS _____

(please check all those that apply)

Total package (\$ 90.00) _____

Early registration -- non-FFDC member (\$ 85.00) _____

Early registration -- FFDC member (\$ 80.00) _____

One day, one night (\$ 30.00) DAY _____ NIGHT _____

One day, no night (\$ 25.00) DAY _____

Early departure (subtract \$ 10.00) _____

Each evening dance party (\$ 10.00 per evening) EVENINGS _____

Non dancer _____

PLEASE REMIT CHECKS TO:

TOTAL ENCLOSED _____
Please submit a list of your favorite dances for the evening parties

Terry Abrahams (813)253-2090
717 S. Edison
Tampa, FL 33606

TURKISH WORKSHOP **FREE**
UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA - NORMAN GYM - GAINESVILLE
10 AM SATURDAY - 24 MARCH
Turkish dances from four regions.

PERFORMANCE @ 8 PM., HEALTH CENTER AUDITORIUM
Additional information: Lydia Deakin
(904) 372-5193

GERMAN / ENGLISH WORKSHOP \$15 PER COUPLE
GRETEL DUNSING - INSTRUCTOR
12 NOON TO 9 PM SUNDAY MARCH 25th
PLACE: CUBBY & JEANNIE WHITEHEAD'S FOLK DANCE
HOUSE, SARASOTA, FLORIDA

Please register promptly as only the first ten
couples can be accommodated due to the limited
space available.
Call Jeannie or Cubby @ (813) 755-6212

1984 KENTUCKY DANCE INSTITUTE - 29 JULY THROUGH 4 AUGUST FULL TIME FEE: \$185.00
MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY - I-64 & US 60, KENTUCKY
STAFF: STEW SHACKLETTE, SHIRLEY FORT, VYTS BELIAJUS, OLGA KULBITSKY, BEA MONTROSS, ROY AND
EXIE VANVACTOR, BONNY THOMAS, & VICKY GOODLOE.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION FORMS WRITE:
Kentucky Dance Institute, Shirley Fort, 416 Valencia Rd, Venice, Florida 33595

GEORGIA RANG TANG - MARCH 16-18 with DICK CRUM \$32 until March 5, \$35 thereafter
INCLUDES: all workshop sessions, Friday and Saturday parties, two continental breakfasts,
snacks and syllabus. Lunch on your own, Saturday dinner is pot-luck. Late registrants
cannot be guaranteed a syllabus.
ALSO, the TAMBURITZA group will be there. They are professional musicians who will provide
much of the dance music. Bring instruments for a jam session if you have.
ANOTHER ALSO, THRACIAN BAZARRE will be there selling ethnic goodies.
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Liz Nunan 404-292-7176 ; Betty Kroeck 404-378-2648 ; Bill Ribarsky
404-894-5212 (work), or 404-373-5394 (home)
PLACE: Decatur Rec Center, 213 Sycamore St, Decatur GA. Please indicate sleeping accommodations.

EPCOT CENTER presents the BALLET NACIONAL de COLOMBIA de Sonia Osorio
SHOW TIMES: 3:30PM, 4:30 PM, 5:30 PM, 6:30 PM -- February 8 through March 16, 1984
No performances Feb. 13, 20, 27 and March 5, 12. This show is the first South American
company to appear in Epcot's program of "cultural ambassadors in residence." The group
performs Indian, African, and Spanish songs, dances. For additional information contact:
WALT DISNEY WORLD INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL PROGRAM (305) 827-7901.

"U CUMMA TO WORKSHOP OR I BREAKA U FACE" -- the Mafia Folk Dance Club, Little Italy

FIRST ANNUAL INTERGALACTIC FOLK DANCE WORKSHOP Fee: 6000 credits
INSTRUCTORS: Astro Czompo and Jet Farwell
PLACE: Io (directions: head for Jupiter and hang a right at the red spot)
TIME: Stardate 1614.4
BRING: costumes for evening parties, gravity boots, space map, flashlight, artifacts for
1st annual planet-exchange. (contact the Polonian Folk Dance Council for further info)

FLORIDA FOLK DANCE COUNCIL PRESIDENT: Terry Abrahams, 717 S. Edison Ave, Tampa FL, 32017
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FFDC NEWSLETTER: 1018 Berkshire Road, Daytona Beach FL, 32017

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