FLORIDA FOLKDANCER

January, 1997

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Continuing with Andy Pollock

NEW YEAR GREETINGS:

I hope that the new year finds all of you well, and your dance groups bubbling over with enthusiasm and newcomers.

CAMP:

Remember to get your registration postmarked by Jan. 15 to save\$10.00 (see rules on discount in registration instructions). Actually, your officers probably prefer you mail on the 16th so the FFDC gets the extra dollars. Seriously, the sooner we know who's coming the better job we can do at trying to meet your needs, and we may fill up! Scholarship applicants will be informed either way within the next 10 days. We have a number of out of state people who may require rides. If you live near a major airport and have space in your car, please let me know. I now have E-mail if that helps: RHINOCL @ AOL.com

HUNGARIAN MASTER CLASS:

We have had requests for a master class with Sandor on Mon.2-5 PM featuring a more advanced dance. We will collect an additional fee of \$12.00 then. This is designed for people in the top 5th of ability...or those who want to be...

OFFICERS:

Looking forward to seeing you all soon and I know you are all thinking about which officer position YOU can fill. ANDY

EDITOR'S NOTES

Every month I have thought I was going to be late with the newsletter, but always managed to be done either on time or within a day or two. This time I am failing miserably. I have wonderful excuses, none of which I will tell you about. Suffice it to say I have only one month to go after this and Hurrah! This time I can't get my printer to work (one of my excuses) and don't know what I'll do if it doesn't go today.

Happy New Year!! I started a little early with Machol Miami and had a great time seeing lots of friends from Blue Star and Florida, having good weather, good accommodations and great teaching by Shlomo Maman and Avner Naim. I was going to contra on New Year's Eve, but opted to make money by selling glow-in-the-dark necklaces at First Night in Tampa. Every penny helps, as we all know. Now I can get to camp!

Which segways smoothly here. There is now more information on the back of the form, actually geared to new people, but may be good for you too. If you haven't registered yet, look at the back before you send in your form, as there is pertinent info there. There or elsewhere are helpful hints on hotels, Hungarian master class, car rental tips, starting and ending time of camp, what to bring to camp, info on filling out the form.

OK. I'm not quite out of room, but I'm out of stuff to say. See you at camp!! Terry

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

Who will be the next editor?



JENNEINE LAMBERT

The first 25 danceaholics have registered and are here now recognized for their "camp crazed" eagerness to a) dance their feet off, b) avoid procrastination, and c) support their FFDC efforts. They are in order:

- 1. Julius (of course) Horvath, Daytona Bch.
- 2. Bill Kelly, Hollywood
- Juanita Schockey, Orlando
- 4. Larry Wartell, Winter Park
- 5. Elaine Hendricks, Pembroke Pines
- 6. Andi Kapplin, Tampa
- 7. Hal Schmetterling, Palm Coast
- 8. Gary Doctor, High Springs
- 9. Sharon Doctor, High Springs
- 10. Jack Leyton, High Springs
- 11. Al Koral, Sarasota
- 12. Judy Koral, Sarasota
- 13. Ann Robinson, Winter Park
- 14. Mike Jamieson, Gainesville
- 15. Ursula Tison, Tampa
- 16. Joy Herndon, Orlando
- 17. Gerald Levine, New York
- 18. Rita Levine, New York
- 19. Joyce Dewsburgy, Gainesville
- 20. Jack Seltzer, Gainesville
- 21. Linda Seltzer, Gainesville
- 22. Simon Seltzer, Gainesville
- 23. Fran Glasner, Delray Beach
- 24. Jack Glasner, Delray Beach
- 25. Bernice Roth, Melbourne Beach

[Editor's note - Repeat - that's just the first 25 we're at about 50 now}

Anyone interested in providing one to four hours of activities for children attending camp? Ample opportunities are available, some ideas are: Provide videos, cultural studies (I have a book) cultural games (I have a game board) canoeing, horseback riding, Silver Springs glass bottom boats, cards, horseshoes, etc. Notify me - before camp so that we can provide somewhat of a schedule for kids. I'd like to list it in the February newsletter if possible.

In case you aren't coming to camp (oh no!), but still want to continue your membership or renew, below is a form to fill out and mail to me.

MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

Vame			
Address			
Apt.			
City			
State	Zip		
Phone	_ •		
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Enclose \$10 and mail to: Jenneine Lambert, Treasurer 5310 NW 24th Place Gainesville, FL 32606

- 1. Sto mi e milo. milo i drago. Vo struga grada, mamo, dukan da imam. Lele varaj, mome, mome Kalino. Vo struga grada, mamo, dukan da imam.
- Na kepencite, mamo, da sedam.
 Struzkite momi, mamo, momi da gledam. Lele varaj, mome, mome Kalino. Struzkite momi, mamo, momi da gledam.
- 3. Koga na voda, voda mi odar, so rija stomni, mamo, mome Kalino. So tija stomni, mamo, stomni sareni.
- 4. Na ovaj izvor, izvor studeni. Tam da se zdruzki, mamo, zdruzki soberat. Lele varaj, mome, mome Kalino. Tam da se zdruzki, mamo, zdruski sobera.

Food: Age 7 - Adult	0	16	16	9		·
Dancing & Teaching	7	22	22	11	,	
Dancing: Under 18	3	10	10	4		
RV site	15	15	15			
Tent per person	5	5	5			
Camp cabin: adult	13	13	13			
Camp cabin: under 18	11	11	11			
Non-lodger fee (staying off camp, but participant) Must pay \$3 per day	3	3	3	3		
T-Shirt	S	M	L	XL	10	l. "
Syllabus (if not signed up for 2 full days)					4	
Membership (if not signed up for 2 full days)		,			10	
Camp video					15	
\$10 discount if registered by January 15 & only if signed up for 2 full days					-\$10	
TOTAL						

Make check payable to FFD and send to Jenneine Lambert, 5310 N.W. 24th Place, Gainesville, FL 32606. E-mail TJA2090@AOL.com with questions. Or Jenneine 904-376-7473, or Andy 813-882-4472, E-mail RHINOCL @aol.com.

If you're not sleeping at camp...

Below are motels on State Road 4 in Silver Springs, just west of the Christian Conference Center, along with phone numbers to make reservations. We remind you that this is the weekend of the Daytona 500 auto races in Daytona Beach nearby. Traditionally, all motels in the area are booked solid weeks in advance of the event, so we strongly suggest you make your reservation as quickly as possible to assure a room. Unfortunately, prices also reflect the demand and are higher than usual. Confirm your room rate at the time you make your reservation! (Some give discounts if AAA member-check). Call Julius [and thanks J for this info] if you need help at 904-252-5738.

Holiday Inn, P.O. Box 156, Silver Springs 33489 352-236-2575 \$75 (double)

Howard Johnson, P.O. Box 475, Silver Springs 33489 352-236-2616 \$85(dbl) \$65(single)

Sun Plaza Motel(AAA) PO Box 216 Silver Spgs, 33489 352-236-2343 \$36 (dbl)

Scottish Inns, 5401 E. Silver Springs Blvd., Silver Spgs. 33489 352-236-2782 \$48 (dbl)

Econolodge, P.O. Box 277, Sil. Springs. 34488 352-236-2383 \$55.12 (dbl), \$44.52 (single)

Days Inn, 5001 E. Silver Springs Blvd SS. 34488 352-236-2891 \$45 (dbl), \$40, (single)

Villager Lodge, 5131 E. Silver Springs Blvd. SS, 34488 352-236-2501 \$50 (dbl)

If these are filled because of the race crowd, you may find rooms in motels in Ocala a few miles further out on SR-40 or SR-27 about 8 miles from camp. Register early! Reserve early!

(Another Reprint and More added from last month on the Camp Application)

- 1. Fill out in pen, print so Jenneine can read it and I can make your name tag from it, fill one out for each person coming (you too can go to Kinko's and have copies made).
- 2. Note you can either: a) take a package deal (top half of page) or b) go a la carte and take what fits your schedule and sleeping arrangements. (If you don't want to be in a cabin look at article next to this one).
- 3. Also note you can order your T-shirt ahead (take a chance and order it will be a good one and there will be only a few extras if you decide at camp. I know you like to see what they will be like, but it hasn't been designed yet). By the way, if anyone has a brilliant design, we would consider it.
- 4. After you pick your peck of pickled peppers, put the appropriate numbers in the farthest right hand column, then total them at the bottom, remembering that if you send your \$ in time for the discount to give yourself that price. Note: Discount does not apply unless you are at camp for at least Sat and Sun. Note if you are in the package deals, your membership is paid for automatically. (Certainly you want to receive the newsletter).
- 5. If you aren't staying at camp remember you have to pay the \$3 a day grounds fee anyway because the camp charges us that.
- 7. Questions: call Andy, Jenneine or Terry

Frances Schneider 1529 Pelican Point Dr. #HA 207 Sarasota, FL 34231

Satchi Venkataraman 281 Corry Village, #12 Gainseviklle, FL 32603 904-846-5965, 392-6780

Edwina Scinta
79 Summer Crest Cir.
The Woodlands, TX 77381-2965
(will move to Saipan soon, hello to all)

Wanda Turner 3310 N.W. 91st St. #7A Gainesville, FL 32606

Andy Pollock - finally gave up and joined us frustrated computer people - his new E-Mail is RHINOCL @ AOL.com





Much to the dismay of some of the members of the Sarasota Scottish Country Dancers, a personal account was printed under the heading of our group in the November issue of the Florida Folk Dancer. This terse and critical letter in no way represents the experiences or feelings of the other Sarasota Scottish Country Dancers who attended the Sebring Weekend. It certainly is not in keeping with the spirit of our group to criticize (continued on page (2))

COMING EVENTS

HAWAIIAN SWANG HOLIDAY:

Jan 7-22, Call 1-800-448-1266

RALPH PAGE LEGACY WEEKEND

January 17-19. Call 617-354-1340

INTERNATIONAL: PRESIDENT'S CAMP February 14-17. Sponsored by FFDC. Sandor Timar and Joe Graziosi. (See rest of newsletter)

CONTRA: Snow Ball Jan 24-26, Gulfport, FL Caller: Steve Zakon-Anderson, Hank Morris. Bill and Bob's contraband. \$70. Call Linda or Stan Prince 813-823-2725. No walk ins.

IRISH CEILI: Date: January 31, 1997 Time: 7:30 PM until 10 Cost: \$5 per person or \$15 per family

Music by: Friends of Reilly

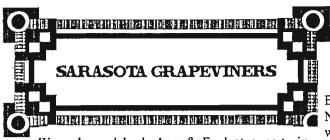
Caller: Sheila Butler (Butler Irish Schl of

Dancing)

Location: Sts. Peter & Paul Apostles Catholic Church 2850 75th St. W. Bradenton, Fl. Interstate 75 highway take exit 42 heading west towards the beaches. Continue W until 75 St. W. Take a left, go to light in front of the church and follow signs to the Ceili. If you need different directions please call 941-747 3275.

CONTRA: Vernals All Night Equinox Dance and Music Weekend. 4th weekend in March. Call Susan Marynowski 352-481-9922. No walk ins.





We welcomed back Ann & Fred at a party in their honor. They both looked great and rarin' to go. There was much huggin' and kissin' and talk about missin' them. Many new friendly faces joined them in the circle. That reminds me. I've been delinquent in approaching the newcomers re membership in FFDC.

Sydelle Singer, who had just finished teaching at Sunny Oaks in N.Y., came to visit with the Milletts for a few days. Sydelle formerly taught dancing in Sarasota, so Marie had open house for those friends who wanted to visit with Sydelle. Sydelle danced with the Marionborg Folk dancers, led by Mary Holmer, one evening, and the Grapeviners another evening. She taught us a lovely Greek dance. Toya. For many it was a memorable stay.

Ron and Janet Sheff shared the celebration of their 48th wedding anniversary with us. Congratulations to you both and thanks for being so helpful in demonstrating some of the dances with Ann.

We're looking forward to our holiday party on the 18th. We'll welcome back Judy Koral who taught folk dancing at Schroon Lake, N. Y. and New York City. Alas, there'll be no folk dancing for 2 weeks since our dance evening falls on Christmas and New Year's Day. Happy New Year to y'all and may your '97 resemble heaven. In other words, may it be filled with dancing, dancing, and more dancing.

Ann Paige

HOGTOWN HYPERBOLES

Bonnie Olson (from Ocala) and I traveled to L.A. November 3rd. The New Orleans Balkan workshop was grand! Steve Kotansky poured his heart out - as usual. The live music was intoxicating and made the trip worth every single mile - George on gaida, Jerry on Topan and Zurna and Lisa on accordion. I relearned Devollice from Albania and a great new dance. drumul Draculiu, the "path of Devil". With all the stamps I felt I was symbolically stamping the devil out of my way. The hospitality was the best the south could offer. I was able to re-unite with Larry Lou Foster, whom I danced with 20 years ago in Pensacola. also I met David Holcombe who used to be a "Gator dancer". Now he's a Dr. In Alexandria. It was a superb workshop.

Translation of Sto Mi E Milo on a different page is: How nice it would be to have a shop in Struga: to sit and watch the girls carry water, in their colorful jars, to the well where the students meet...JENNEINE LAMBERT

SARASOTA SCOTTISH (CONTINUED)

either the dance attire or the dance demeanor of our fellow Scottish Country Dancers from Florida and other states.

Because we certainly appreciate the tremendous effort that is involved with the monthly publishing of the Florida Folk Dancer, we regret this error of communication with the editor who presumed the personal account to be a report from our group. Gladys Wiedorn, Sec'y [and it took this to find out there is someone else who is supposed to be responsible for your group's articles. At least DA has actively sent articles AND pictures, and she is allowed to express her opinion. Where have your articles been all year? I refuse to take any blame for this mistake. TA]

ORLANDO NEWS (OIFDO)

CULTURAL DANCE CLUB OF VALENCIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE—ORLANDO

After two years of being the faculty advisor for this club, it becoming popular with a small group of students. The college had a field day with a fiesta theme in September, and since then, the club is thriving. We even have more guys than gals. It was strange to tell the guys to recruit gals after doing the reverse for two years! The club had its first performance outside of Valencia on November 14 for Seminole Community College. The students were great and showed a lot of enthusiasm. Some of them had only been dancing a few weeks. Our second show was being part of the college's Performing Arts Department's "Holiday Traditions Around the World" on The club performed in December 6.7.& 8. costume one Israeli and one German dance. It was great to be part of the college's program! I am thrilled to see younger people involved with the dances I love. Maybe now is the time that younger people will be interested in international dancing. The key is to go where they are--a college setting. Yes, they are transient but maybe they will seek out dance groups in their future cities! Also, I like the name, "cultural" rather than "folk" since we do dances that are not folk dances in the true sense of the word, like the macarena and electric slide.

Pat Henderson



ORLANDO NEWS - OIFDC

We hope everyone had a great holiday season and danced enough to burn the calories of all the good food. We had our holiday party on December 19 and had almost 20 dancers come, not quite the 33 we had last year. It was great to welcome Annette Brand who is visiting from Canada. She is going on the folk dance cruise in the Caribbean with Yves Moreau. After ten years as treasurer for our club, Juanita Schockey has turned over the purse strings to Palmira Mora-Valls. We thank Juanita for her hard work and dedication over the years! We do not have a date of the destruction of the Artsmall but we are pursuing an alternate place to dance so we will be ready to move. The new year will be a challenge for the survival of our club between our low attendance and having to relocate. Happy New Year and Happy Dancing!

Pat Henderson

NEW RECORDING (copied from Quo #4, edited by David Henry) (to get us in the Greek mood for camp)

Lykeion ton Ellinidon

14 Dimokritou St. FGR-106 73 Athens, Greece 363-9704 FAX 360-7355

Dances of Epirus (LCGW 115-116: An excellent two-record set of village music recorded in studio under the direction of Lefteris Drandakis consisting of 26 tunes played by Grigoris Kapsallis and his kompania with most excellent notes including song lyrics prepared by Mr. Drandakis and most excellently translated into English by Pothoula Kapsambelis. Recorded in 1994, this is part of an on-going series of recordings from the Lykeion.



GREEK DANCING AND JOE GRAZIOSI

By Robert B. Shapiro

I used to hate Greek dancing. I found it boring and immediately sat down whenever a dance was played. But an amazing thing happened when I attended the Santa Barbara Folk Dance Symposium. I ran into Joe Graziosi, perhaps the best Greek folk dance instructor of our time. After the first day I found myself actually enjoying the dances he was teaching. From the very simple (Dhivaratikos, a 3/4 time Syrto), to the more complicated (Zonaradhikos, a Greek Pravo), he made the dances interesting and fun. I'm not sure how he did it, but it seemed to be a combination of his knowledge, teaching style and personality. Whatever it was, he made a convert out of me.

Elaine and I were talking to him one day, and he mentioned that he was going to be in the Bay area. We immediately asked him about doing a workshop at the Mandala, and the upshot is that he will be teaching on Thursday, October 11. You definitely should reserve that date and plan to come folk dancing that night. Even if you don't like Greek dancing now, you will by the time Joe is finished teaching.



FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING CAMP FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE NEVER BEEN TO CAMP BEFORE OR PEOPLE WHO HAVE FORGOTTEN!

TEACHERS:

SANDOR TIMOR - Director of the Hungarian folk Dance ensemble) JOE KALOYANIDES GRAZIOSI (Greek)

SCHEDULE:

Camp check-in will open at 4:00 p.m. on Friday. Covered dish dinner (not if you're flying, but the rest of you should bring something wonderful) will be at 6:00, request dancing will start at 7:30 or earlier if we're ready.

Camp will end at 1:30 pm on Monday.

However, there will be a MASTER CLASS in harder Hungarian dances on Monday from 2pm-5pm at an additional fee to be collected then. (We must pay the camp an additional sum, plus Sandor deserves payment for this extra time.)

If you are renting a vehicle, do so early. This is a busy weekend in this area. Look in another section for hotels if not staying at camp. (But camp is fun, and not bad at all!)

WHAT TO BRING:

- 1. Bedding: pillows, sheets, blankets, or sleeping bag your call.
- Towels, wash cloths, your own toothbrush and other toiletries. Don't forget your deodorant. A towel is better than a hair

blower (more on this next month).

- 3. Suggested: flashlight, more than one pair of shoes, a costume or two for the parties (Greek or Hungarian would be timely but not imperative, anything you love and are comfortable in and want to show off will do), warm things, just in case, swim suit, just in case, rain gear, just in case. Plenty of dance clothes. Extras hangers are helpful.
- 4. There are canoes if we have a life guard around. (My certificate has lapsed.)
- 5. Instruments we may jam if we get more than one! I'll bring my accordion. Your voice in case we sing.
- 6. Do NOT bring pets, liquor is frowned upon.

Note: Even tho this is a camp, it is far from rustic. there is heat and a/c, bathrooms in the cabins, hooks, closets, carpeting, lights. Cabins are relatively close to the dancing and food. Food is quite decent! However, we are also close to motels and civilization if you are tres pickee.

PLEASE COPY THIS VALUABLE INFO BEFORE YOU SEND YOUR FORM IN 'cause if'n you don't, you won't have it when you need it.!

MAP:

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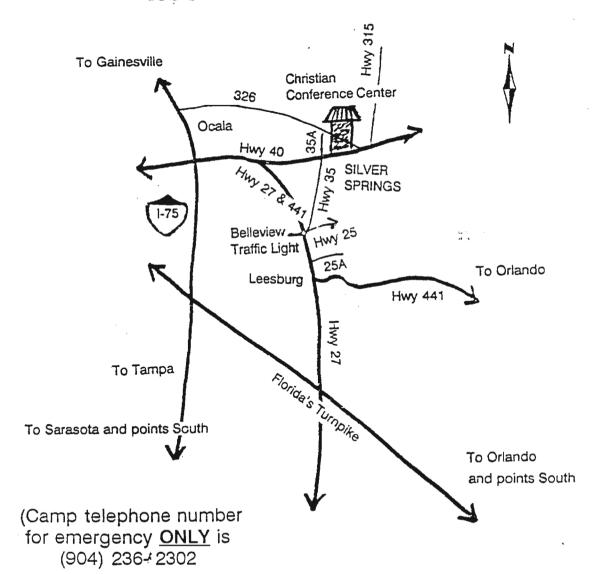
PLEASE CALL US IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. ANDY, TERRY OR JEANNINE - OUR NUMBERS ARE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS PIECE OF PAPER.

PRESIDENT'S WEEKEND FOLK DANCE CAMP FEB 14-17, 1997 SANDOR TIMAR (Hungarian) and JOE GRAZIOSI (Greek) PLEASE PRINT AND FILL OUT A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH PERSON

NAME:				-		
ADDRESS:						
CITY:	STATE: ZIP:					
PHONE:E-MA	IL:					
Roommate preferences:						
Vegetarian						
PACKAGE DEAL	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Cost	Total
Full Time Adult (includes membership)					135	
Adult - Sat-Monday (includes membership)					122	
Adult - Sat-Sun (includes membership)					110	
Youth under 18 - full time dancing					105	
Youth under 18 - full time Not dancing					74	
Full Time Child under 6					55	
Child under 6 Sat-Mon					44	
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Food: Children 6 and under	0	8	8	5		

Map to Christian Conference Center, Silver Springs, Fi FFDC Dance Camp

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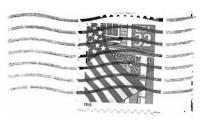


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THIS ISSUE HAS A GREAT DEAL OF INFORMATION ABOUT FLORIDA FOLK DANCE COUNCIL FEBRUARY CAMP - STARRING: SANDOR TIMAR AND JOE GRAZIOSI. WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE FOR A WONDERFUL TIME.



tom JUNK