

Florida FolkDancer

March 1999

Florida Camp '99

Another Camp has become history. It's always gratifying when people tell you that, once again, this year's camp was the best ever. Yves and France together taught something like 22 dances, each one a keeper at least in your editor's humble opinion.

Hopefully next issue we'll be able to have some pictures in the Florida FolkDancer. Meanwhile, if you were at Camp, please take a minute to send us some short comments. We'll print a selection in the next issue.

New Officers

This was the year to elect new officers. The folks from Melbourne hadn't taken their turn yet, so John Daly is the new President, Bernice Roth will be Vice President, Secretary, and general organizer of the Camp. Willa Davidsohn is Treasurer and Barbara Daly is editor of the Florida FolkDancer. Your new officers need some constructive comments about the Camp. What did you like, what could be improved, what did you just hate. Next issue I'll put together a more structured questionnaire, but free form comments are also fine.

Camp Review Melbourne March 28th

Melbourne is planning to hold a review of Camp dances on Sunday, March 28th from noon till 5:00 pm. Then we'll break for supper and can come back for a couple hours of request dancing if anyone is interested. Please join us at the Melbourne Village Hall. This is the same location as the last Fall Fling. Take I-95 from wherever to U.S. 192. Go east to Dayton Blvd, which is the light by Home Depot. Turn north on Dayton to the stop sign at South St. Turn right on South St., it soon turns left and becomes Hammock Drive. The Village Hall will be on your left and is marked AHF Hall. We'll ask people to kick in a couple dollars to cover cost of the room.

Spring Fling Port Orange May 8th 11 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Julius has gotten that beautiful Port Orange Senior Center for one more time. Dancing, food and refreshments, dancing, wood dance floor, air conditioning, ethnic flea market, tables (to get rid of your old stuff to make room for new stuff), dancing --- you get the picture. As usual, Spring Fling is free. Drive East off I-95 at Exit 85 - Port Orange - onto Dunlawton Ave. One block after crossing U.S. 1 (Ridgewood Ave.) turn left onto North Halifax Drive. The Senior Center will be a little over one block on the left.

hop step skip away

I've had a great time TRYING to be FFDC's president. It was everything; fun, trying, hallarious, difficult, disappointing, triumphant. What I loved the most (always have and always will) is watching everyone enjoying the dances, the music (especially the live music) and EACH OTHER. It is such good medicine.

Thanks for allllllllll the warm hospitality as I visited the different groups and individual homes. I wish I could have visited more groups, I plan on continuing those efforts for the rest of my life. Thanks for all your ideas, opinions, helpful criticisms and support.
jenn

Orlando International Folk Dance Club

We want to thank Jenneine and the other FFDC officers for a great camp. Everyone is saying that it was the "best camp ever". Yves and France were the best teachers and a wonderful couple. We did 9 camp dances the first week after camp and will probably do more at our meeting the second week. Yes, there are some beautiful slow Bulgarian dances!

Since we cannot dance at Valencia on March 10 because the college is closed for Spring Break, we are dancing at our house that night in the dance studio. We are having our St. Patrick's Day party a week early; come join us by calling 407-275-6247 to get directions.
Pat Henderson

Hello my dancing friends

I am leaving for Israel tomorrow and wanted to send you this new web page address in case you want to see what our Carmiel tour of Israel is all about. There are some photos from last summer as well. You can go to www.israelidance.com and look for it on the "events" page, or just go to www.slann.com and look for the Carmiel link. I'll be able to get into my e-mail while in Israel so feel free to write me if you want. I'll be back in the U.S. at the end of March. Take care, and keep on dancing, love and shalom,
Ruthy

Internet Takeover of DeLand International Folk Dancers

Yes, we lost our free dance space at the library due to the expansion of the basic internet classes. We've been there five years now, so it was quite unsettling - and a lot of work - to have to look for a new place to dance. There were some disadvantages to dancing at the library like the carpet on the floor and the need to finish dancing by the time the library closes at 8:00 pm, but we couldn't complain about the cost. This forced us to change and we hope we will reap the benefits of dancing later on a better dance surface. Lots of Karate gyms and dance studios rent out rooms to community groups, but so many have carpet on the floor. One enterprising couple bought an old lumberyard (circa 1902) with a raised wood floor and made it into a beautiful dance and self-defense studio. Unfortunately they have only been in business a few months and were concerned about the liability involved with renting the studio but they may reconsider in the future. There's also a new fitness gym in nearby Orange City with a raised wood floor, but the rent was too high for our small group.

I'm pleased to announce that starting in March we will be dancing the first and third Fridays (except in April we will dance the 2nd and 4th Fridays because of the Good Friday holiday) from 6:30 - 9:00 pm at the DeLand YMCA. The rent isn't too bad and if a few more dancers join the group it will be quite reasonable. We'll be dancing on a tile floor and maybe eventually we can afford the rent for the room with the wood floor. If you're in the area we'd love to have you join us.
Joan Washington

The Jewish Community Center of Greater Orlando Presents
12th Annual

Israeli Folkdance Workshop

April 17-18, 1999

featuring well known teacher *Danny Uziel*

Schedule

Saturday Evening: Instruction and Dance Party: 7:30 p.m.

Sunday: 1st Session: 9 – 10:30 a.m.

2nd Session: 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

3rd Session: 2– 4 p.m. (includes review)

Followed by a covered dish dinner & request dancing

For information call: The JCC at 645-5933 x 247

\$40 pre-registration if postmarked by April 8th. (All prices \$5 more at the door)

Nearby hotel: Fairfield Inn, 951 N. Wymore Rd., Winter Park, Phone #: (407) 539-1955

Directions: Interstate 4 to Maitland Blvd., east. Go to Maitland Avenue, turn right. The JCC is immediately to the right.

For reservations, return this form with your check postmarked by April 8th to:
JCC of Greater Orlando, 851 N. Maitland Ave., Maitland, FL 32751

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

I will attend the full workshop ... \$40 by April 8th.

I will attend Saturday evening only... \$10 by April 8th.

I will attend Sunday only (includes covered dish dinner) ... \$30 by April 8th.

All prices will be \$5 additional at the door

I am traveling to Orlando and will need home hospitality (advance request necessary)

Local participants: I will contribute to the covered dish dinner and bring _____
(dairy or vegetarian only)

I can house out-of-towners Yes No (indicate number _____)



A New Web Site

Folk Dance Association is pleased to announce its new web site, which you can visit at www.folkdancing.org. Our site is devoted to all types of folk dance including Balkan, Cajun, clog, contra, English country, historical, international, Israeli, Morris, Scottish country, Scandinavian, square, swing, vintage, western square and all others types of traditional ethnic folk dance. In fact, we use the term "folk dance" to refer to all these types of dance.

Our site is primarily designed to serve three groups of people: 1) Non-folkdancers looking for a fresh hobby or pastime, a new exercise or fitness program, a way to meet interesting people or a wholesome family recreation. 2) New and veteran folk dancers seeking to broaden their knowledge of folk dance, to include folk dancing in their travel and vacation plans and to find other groups to attend near home. 3) Folk dance groups, teachers and special event sponsors seeking to make their activities, events & services known to potential, new and experienced folk dancers.

Accordingly, we've devoted 97 pages (about 85%) of our site to Folk Dance Directory, the Internet's first nationwide on-line directory of folk dance classes, sessions, dances, events, products and services throughout the United States and Canada.

Although exploring the site is easy, a few tips may be of help. All regional folk dance directories, periodicals (magazines, newsletters, etc), contacts and links are listed on the regional pages (eg, "New England States", "Midwestern States" and "Canada"). All folk dance groups and their dances are listed on the state and province pages (eg, "Massachusetts" and "British Columbia"). All special events are listed on the special event pages (eg, "Camps and Weeks" and "Weekends"). Articles, essays and links to help you learn about various types of folk dance appear on the dance pages (eg, "About Contra Dance" and "About Israeli Dance").

We welcome your submissions to the directory. If you're in charge of a folk dance group in the United States or Canada or run a special folk dance event anywhere in the world, you may list it by using the form on the appropriate listing page (eg, "Listing a Cruise or Tour", "Listing a Group" or "Listing a Teacher"). On the other hand, if you want to list a group or activity you DON'T run, please use the form on the appropriate suggesting page (eg, "Suggesting a Group", "Suggesting a Link" or "Suggesting an Event").

We'd greatly appreciate your recommending our site to your fellow folk dancers. Also, if you have your own web site, please link ours to yours so that those who visit you will have the opportunity to make use of our directory.

We hope you enjoy our new web site and find it useful in pursuing your interest in folk dance.

Yours,
Raymond La Barbera
Director

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Minutes of Annual Meeting of Florida Folk Dance Council Feb 14, 1999

The meeting was called to order by President Jenneine at 5:00 P.M.

First order of business election of officers:

The following people were elected:

President:	John Daly
Vice President:	Bernice Roth
Treasurer:	Willa Davidsohn
Secretary:	Bernice Roth
Editor:	Barbara Daly

There were no minutes read by previous board, and no treasurer's report given.

On motion duly made and passed, the standard form of a banking resolution naming Nations Bank as repository for the funds of FFDC and authorizing the President and Treasurer to sign was adopted.

Jenneine announced the FFDC has been reinstated as a corporation. She will receive notice for the annual renewal, and will change the name to John when she receives it.

Spring Fling was discussed, but no date or place had been decided.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 P.M.

Secretary, Bernice Roth

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR PRESIDENT'S DAY CAMP 1999

CAMP INCOME	
Camp Dues	9852.00
Membership, T-shirts, Video, Etc	2059.00
TOTAL CAMP INCOME	<u>11,911.00</u>
CAMP EXPENSES	
Instructors	1000.00
Airfare	800.00
Musicians	600.00
Airfare	800.00
Camp facilities	6729.00
Syllabi, Snacks, Videos	504.00
Refunds	1420.00
TOTAL CAMP EXPENSES	<u>11,853.00</u>
CAMP PROFIT	58.00

Our current bank balance with all camp expenses paid is \$4043.10.

MEMBERSHIP FORM
FLORIDA FOLK DANCE COUNCIL

Membership in the Florida Folk Dance Council keeps you in touch with Dance events through the Florida FolkDancer. If you haven't already renewed for 1999, please do so now.

Please complete one form for each family:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Circle if phone NOT to be printed

Circle if e-mail address NOT to be printed

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO
"FFDC" SEND TO:
Willa Davidsohn, TREASURER
1643 Old Colonial Way
Melbourne, FL 32935

There is often some confusion as the new year begins. If your label says "RENEW NOW" and you have already paid or were at Camp, please drop Willa a note so we can get you on the list. Thanks.

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c/o John Daly
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Melbourne Village, FL 32904
Address Service Requested

