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The President's Message



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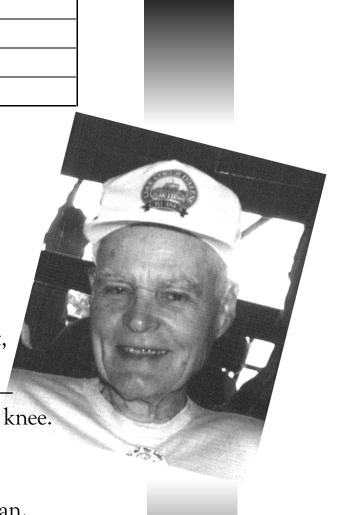
### McQuillen

by Dudley Laufman

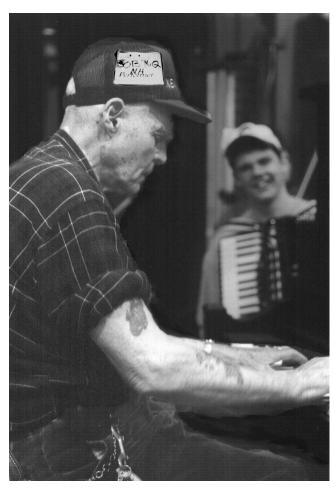
Accordion player that I know a laughing giant with steel-gray hair, fingers running over the row bribing his bellows for dancing pairs.

He coaxes and listens to the Irish in it, falls of water, the evergreen tree, weather brown barns, hills of granite — then roars with laughter and slaps his knee.

It blends in well with the old violin, the bull fiddle guy and piano player, and he sings as he plays, this happy man, this laughing giant with steel-gray hair.



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**Bob McQuillen in the Main Hall at the 2000 Festival.** Photo by Bob Golder.

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In January 2001, the Ralph Page New England Dance Weekend will be honoring the dean of New England dance musicians. Here is a reprint of a feature that appeared in March 1998 in the New Hampshire Weekly section of the Boston Globe.

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At Lady of the Lake Family Week
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Editorial Review: Shelagh Ellman-Pearl, Nancy Hanssen, Claire Reid, Lisa Greenleaf Calendar: Jacob & Nancy Bloom

Mailing: Dayle Watts

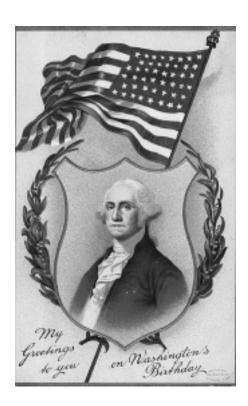
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its membership and other interested persons. **Send Calendar items** to Jacob and Nancy Bloom, 169 Sylvia St., Arlington MA 02476, or to bloom@gis.net. **Other submissions** go to Dan Pearl, 15 Buffalo Run, Southborough, MA 01772, or to Daniel\_Pearl@yahoo.com . Opinions of individuals are not necessarily the opinion of the NEFFA Executive Board.

**Publicize your events!** Display advertising or flyer enclosures are available for qualifying folk-related organizations. For more information, contact Dan at +1-508-229-2854.

# Call For Nominees



The Nominating Committee: John Wojtowicz, Peter Olszowka and Bob Solosko

is a non-profit organization run by volunteers. In addition to producing an annual Folk Festival, NEFFA runs a weekly contra dance, the Ralph Page New England Dance Legacy Weekend, and a series of family dances. NEFFA also supports various folk-related activities through its grants program. Our traditions and bylaws encourage member participation in a number of ways. While many of you are no doubt familiar with the role of volunteering at the Festival, you may also know that NEFFA's goals of preserving folk traditions are actually overseen by an Executive Board, composed of elected and appointed members. Under NEFFA's bylaws, elected Directors are expected to chair or be a member of a committee or to take on other responsibility. (Interested NEFFA members can also become actively involved in administration by volunteering to take on a position of responsibility.)

Each year, the Nominating Committee prepares a ballot listing the nominees for the elected positions on the Board. We welcome all suggestions from the NEFFA membership, and our bylaws encourage direct nomination by members: the name of any eligible person suggested by twenty-five or more members is included on the ballot, if he or she consents.

Please send all such suggestions to Nominating Committee Chair John Wojtowicz by mail (124 Bridle Way, Tiverton, RI 02878). The deadline for such nominations is January 15, 2001.

The current Elected Board members are listed below. Those positions for which the incumbent's term ends in 2001 are to be filled in the April election. Directors and Officers serve two-year terms and may be re-elected for one additional term (the Secretary and the Treasurer are always eligible for re-election). Members of the Nominating Committee serve for a single three-year term. Except for those marked with an asterisk, incumbents are eligible for re-election. Positions to be

filled are listed in italics.

In recent years, Nominating Committees have recognized that NEFFA is a large organization with a geographically dispersed membership and that most of these members do not know each other or the candidates. Thus, there is little point to a popularity contest, with losers as well as winners. Most ballots, therefore, have presented uncontested slates. Unless a meaningful choice on some issue presents itself, we anticipate continuing this tradition.

Office	Name	Term Expires
President	Shelagh Ellman-Pearl	2001
Vice President	Claire Reid	2002
Secretary	Daniel Pearl	2001
Treasurer	Ralph Jones	2002
Nominating	John Wojtowicz	2001*
Committee:	Peter Olszowka	2002*
	Bob Solosko	2003*
Directors	Maureen Carey	2001
	Robert Johnson	2001
	Linda Leslie	2001
	David Reid	2001
	Jean Krogh	2002*
	Paul Levitt	2002
	Dayle Watts	2002
	Mari Boyar Young	2002*

The NEFFA Board's season of meetings leading to the April 2001 Festival began in September with our annual Board retreat. Here is the latest news.

Youth Programs and Grants. Some months ago, NEFFA was fortunate to receive a very generous donation which the donor hopes NEFFA will use to support grants for youth programs. We are extremely grateful to the donor for this gift and for the opportunity it provides to NEFFA. Beginning with a discussion at our Board retreat, we have been considering options on how to best use the resources provided by the donation. Some proposals have been made and the Executive Board will make decisions at a future meeting. If you have any ideas or suggestions, please let me know.

**Office move.** In September, NEFFA, along with the Country Dance Society, Boston Centre and the Folk Arts Center of New England, moved its offices from Cambridge to Melrose, Massachusetts (five miles north of Boston). NEFFA has been fortunate to have built a strong relationship with CDS, sharing office space and the services of George Fogg and Ellen Mandigo, who manage the office, and oversee the archives stored there. We are also glad to have a good relationship with the FAC, which subleases office space to NEFFA and CDS. During the summer, volunteers from the three groups worked together to search for new space and arrange for the move. Since the move, George and Ellen have worked hard to organize the new office. On behalf of NEFFA, I want to extend my great appreciation for the hard work and dedication that George and Ellen give to NEFFA not only every year, but especially this year with the challenges of the move.

**CDSS Affiliation.** NEFFA has become an affiliate of

# From the President's Desk



Shelagh Ellman-Pearl

the Country Dance and Song Society. As we share many of the same goals as CDSS, we are happy to support that organization.

**Special Help Wanted!** We are looking for people to help in the following areas: Publicity Chair for the Festival: Archival consultation and Sound assistants. If you have experience with Sound, contact Michael Bergman, Sound Chair, at 617-964-7684 or augment@world.std.com. For Publicity or Archives, please contact me. For general volunteers, a recruitment form will appear in the next NEFFA News. Nancy Hanssen, Volunteer Chair, will schedule volunteers once that form is returned to her. Please contact her with any questions after January 1 at neh@world.std.com or 508-875-0382. NEFFA's programs for the Festival, the Thursday Night Dance, the Family Dance and the Ralph Page New England Dance Legacy Weekend result from hours of dedicated effort by volunteers, who do it for the love of folk music and dance. The roles include preparing mailings, booking performers and halls, designing and printing flyers, among others. The feeling that we are part of a community with a wonderful cooperative spirit makes the effort easier and incredibly rewarding. Please join us!

Shelagh Ellman-Pearl, President saep@charter.net 508-229-2854



9/12/00

To the Editor:

I was the first editor of the *NEFFA News* under the direction of our gone but not forgotten Theodore Sannella.

Although I retired from the news biz in 1992, it never occurred to me that *NEFFA News* would ever be a vehicle for the type of story you lead with for the fall issue ["The Kindness of a Young Woman by Bill Cowie"]. Bravo!

Charlie Baldwin used to do it some times in *New England Square Dance Caller* to introduce established protocols to new western square dance enthusiasts. – Bill Patton, Jr.

# Summary of the Minutes of the NEFFA Exec Board

10 September 2000

# Call to Order and President's Remarks (Shelagh Ellman-Pearl)

The meeting was called to order by President Shelagh Ellman-Pearl.

The office move went pretty smoothly. Notify me of anyone who you deal with that may need a change of address notice.

#### Secretary's Report (Dan Pearl)

The minutes of 7 May 2000 were presented and approved with minor corrections.

Comments were received about a draft of the new letterhead. People who need letterhead without the NEFFA address and phone information can just cut and paste a letterhead to meet their needs.

## Approval of Committee Chairs (Shelagh Ellman-Pearl)

The following people were proposed for committee chairs by the President:

#### **GENERAL COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Advisor – Larry Jennings

Family Dance – Jacob Bloom

Grants Committee – Robert Johnson

Legal Advisor – Stephen Moor

Membership – Jean Krogh; Bob Solosko

NEFFA News – Dan Pearl

Ralph Page Memorial Committee – Dave Bateman

Thursday Night Dance Committee – Dan Pearl

Web Page – Dan Pearl

#### **FESTIVAL COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Access – Rayna Tulysewski Activity Room – Linda Palmstrom

**Arrangements** 

Inside Facilities – Harold Henry
Inside Signs – Diane Biglow, Michael Resnick
Outside Facilities – Dan Pearl
Outside Signs – Dayle Watts
Operations Manager – Dan Pearl
Clocks – Rayna Tulysewski
Early Entry – Shelagh Ellman-Pearl, Mari Young

Crafts – Mary Stafford

Folk Bazaar – Angela Taylor

Food -

Pre-Festival – Maureen Carey
Operations – Mary Wakefield, Don Parkhurst (not

#### confirmed)

 ${\bf Hospitality}-{\bf Shelagh\ Ellman-Pearl}$ 

Housing - Diane Mathieson, Ed Budreau

 ${\it Instrument~Check-Michael~Anthony~(not~confirmed)}$ 

Safety - John Wojtowicz

**Program Committee** – Linda Leslie

American Participatory Dance - Lisa Greenleaf

Dance Performances - Doris Possi Anne Gooding

Int'l Participatory Dance

Line Dance - Mari Young

Couple Dance - Lisa Greenleaf, Mari Young

Folk Music & Song – Ann Schunior, Suzanne Mrozak, Matt Fichtenbaum

Morris and Sword Dance - Katy Burns

Printed Materials - Janet Yeracaris

Performer Sales Table – Susan Janssen, Beth Parkes (advisorassistant)

T-Shirts – Lisa Greenleaf

Sound – Michael Bergman; Peter Olszowka

Tickets - Claire Reid; David Reid

Volunteers - Nancy Hanssen

The list was approved by voice vote of the elected board.

#### **Donation to NEFFA (Shelagh Ellman-Pearl)**

A large donation to NEFFA will be discussed in a breakout session during today's "retreat." What the donor wishes for the money is well within NEFFA's goals.

#### **Grants**

The reauthorization of funds will be delayed until October.

Lewiston/Auburn Arts has produced a CD of children's songs. They are looking for funds to produce 500 copies and send them to all libraries in Maine and selected schools.

They are planning on making 1000 copies now. **Anne:** Who are the performers? **Robert:** There are a dozen songs, sung by Michael Parent and accompanied by Greg Boardman and some child singers. **Peter:** Should we postpone this decision until we discuss the grant? **Shelagh:** We can award the funds now and figure out where the money comes from later. **Robert:** They are planning on selling 400 CDs for \$10. **Dan:** \$10 for a CD is way below average, especially for educational material. **Jean:** I support their proposal; they seem to have given it a lot of thought.

A motion to grant them \$2000 was passed.



# THE CALENDAR

Many of the listings for the Boston area appear courtesy of the Folk Arts Center of New England, 42 West Foster St, Melrose MA 02176 - 781-662-7475. They publish Folk Dancing Round Boston, a bimonthly listing of dance events in the Greater Boston area. Many of the Northern New England listings appear courtesy of the Dance Gypsy Calendar (P.O. Box 6447, Brattleboro, VT 05302 - 802-257-4478) or the Down East Friends of the Folk Arts Newsletter (c/o Malcolm Sanders, 13 Pinkham's Flats Road, Lamoine ME 04605). All three are published monthly with much last-minute information which can't be included here - why not subscribe!

Always call to confirm before traveling great distances to get to a dance!

All of these events require that you bring clean, non-street shoes to dance in! The number of halls available for dancing has been shrinking because of the concerns of hall-owners about wear and tear on their floors. Please help dancing continue by bringing shoes which do not have street grit on them and changing into them to dance.

\* Items marked with a \* are events which we still have not heard about this year. If you have information about them or other dances, please send mail to Jacob and Nancy Bloom, 169 Sylvia St, Arlington MA 02476 or e-mail to: bloom@gis.net. The other events have been confirmed, but the information is always subject to last minute changes. The deadline for the spring calendar is 1/15/01.

#### Regular Events - Eastern Mass.

International, Cambridge-MIT. Instruction 7 PM, dance 7:30 All Sundays Israeli Folk Dancing. Cambridge-HH 8-10:30 PM. \$3.00 All All Sundays All Sundays Scottish Brookline-COS 6:30-8:30 PM \$4 Gammaldans (Easy Scandinavian). Brookline-COS. 2-5 PM. \$6 2nd Sundays 3rd Sundays Telespringar Dance Parties Cambridge-Ry. 8-11 PM \$6 Various Sundays Family Dance Concord 2-5 PM. \$4, \$15/family. Dances on 11/5, 12/3, 1/7, 1/21, 2/4, 2/18, 3/4, 3/18 All Mondays Contras & squares w/Yankee Ingenuity. Concord.7:30-10:30 All Mondays Israeli Brookline-KI 8:30, teaching 8:00. \$4 All Mondays Scottish Cambridge-YW 7:45-10:15. \$6 All Mondays Greek Folk Dancing Watertown 7 PM \$10 All Tuesdays Scottish Fitchburg 6-8 PM 1st Tuesdays Contra w/Cammy Kaynor & Knights of Tunisia. Arlington-PAC. 8-10:30, teaching 7:45 \$6. Sep-June 2nd & 4th Tuesdays Gender-free English. Boston. 7:30-10 PM \$5 2nd & 4th Tuesdays Contra Cambridge-MIT 7:30-10:30 PM 3rd Tuesdays Contra Open Mike for callers and musicians. Arlington-PAC. 8-

10:30, teaching 7:45 \$6. Sep-June 5th Tuesdays Contra Party format. Arlington-PAC. 8-10:30, teaching 7:45 \$6. Sep-June English Arlington-PAC 7:30-10:30, \$6 All Wednesdays Israeli Cambridge-MIT 7:30, teaching 7:00 All Wednesdays Western Square Classes Danvers. 7-8:30 PM \$3 All Wednesdays International Southboro 8-10:30, \$3.50 Sep-June All Wednesdays All Thursdays Contras & Squares, Cambridge-VFW, 8-11 PM, \$5. All Thursdays Experienced International. Belmont. 8-11 PM, \$6. All Thursdays Scottish. Salem. Beginners 7:30, dance 8 PM. \$2 1st Fridays Experienced English Brookline-COS 8:15-11, \$5 Oct-June 1st Fridays Contra Worcester. Oct-May.

1st Fridays Western Squares Danvers. No dance 1/1. 1st 3rd 5th Fridays Scottish Weston 8 PM \$4

2nd Fridays International w/Cambridge Folk Orchestra. Arlington-SJC 8:15-11 \$3.50 Sep-June

2nd Fridays Contra w/Walter Lenk & O'Connor's Mob. Carlisle 8-10:30, potluck 6:30 \$5 Oct-June

2nd Fridays Renaissance Dance w/Charles Garth. Cambridge-FC 7:30 PM. \$8. Sep-June. No dance 4/14

2nd & 4th Fridays **English**. Barnstable. 7:30 PM. \$5.00. No dance 11/25, 12/23.

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\$5/under 12 free. Sep-June
3rd 4th 5th Fridays **Basic International**. Arlington-PAC. 7:30-11 PM. \$6.
1st Saturdays **Contra** w/Woods Hole Folk Orchestra. Woods Hole. 8 PM

1st Saturdays Contra Medway. 7:30-10:30 \$6/children under 12 free Sep-

1st Saturdays Contra Concord. 8 PM

1st & 3rd Saturdays Scandinavian. Brookline-COS. 8-10:30 PM. \$6.

2nd Saturdays Contra Cotuit.

2nd Saturdays Contras & Squares w/Tony Saletan. Concord. 8-11 \$6 Oct-June

3rd Saturdays Contras & Squares w/Beth Parkes & Swinging On A Gate.
Concord. 8 PM \$6 Oct-June

3rd Saturdays Contra w/Amy Larkin & Friends. Sandwich. 8 PM. \$6

3rd Saturdays Contra. Northboro. Sep-June.

3rd Saturdays Contra w/Cammy Kaynor & Knights of Tunisia. Malden. 8 PM, teaching 7:00. \$5

4th Saturdays
4th Saturday
4th

Last Saturday Contra Clinton. 8PM-11:30. \$7. Starts in Jan 01. No dance 4/01. 5th Saturdays Contra Concord. 8 PM

Various Saturdays **Gender-Free Country Dance** Jamaica Plain,Boston. 7:30-11 PM. \$6. Dances 11/11, 11/25, 12/9, 12/30, 1/13, 1/27, 2/10, 3/10, 3/24, 4/28, 5/12, 5/26, 6/9, 7/28

Various Saturdays Zdravets Concert & Dance (Balkan). Arlington-COS. 8-11 PM. \$5. Dances 11/4, 12/9, 1/20, 2/10, 3/10, 4/7, 5/19, 6/9..

Various Saturdays \*Salsa/Swing Medford. 8-11, advanced class 6:30, beginners 7:15. \$12.

#### \*\*\* SPECIAL EVENTS \*\*\*

Dec 31, Sunday FACONE New Years Eve Party Friends of the Performing Arts, 51 Walden St, Concord. 781-662-7475, fac@facone.org

Jan 1, Monday CDS Holiday Party Boston area. Call for information. 781-662-6710, mskeller@mit.edu, www.cds-boston.org

Jan 6, Saturday **English Dance Party** Scout House, 74 Walden St, Concord. 7:30-11 PM \$12. 978-371-2290, 603-878-4332, attanasiof@aol.com

Jan 7, Sunday **Family Dance** w/Tony Saletan & Judith Stames-Hamilton. Scout House, 74 Walden St, Concord. 2-4 PM. \$4, \$15/family. 781-662-7475, 781-662-6710, fac@facone.org

Jan 21 Sunday Family Dance w/Sarah Gregory Smith & Rick Mohr. Scout House, 74 Walden St, Concord. 2-4 PM. \$4, \$15/family. 781-662-7475, 781-662-6710, fac@facone.org

Feb 4, Sunday **Family Dance** w/Chris Ricciotti & Judith Stames-Hamilton. Scout House, 74 Walden St, Concord. 2-4 PM. \$4, \$15/family. 781-662-7475, 781-662-6710, fac@facone.org

Feb 4, Sunday **Challenging Contra** w/Lisa Greenleaf & Airdance. Scout House, 74 Walden St, Concord. 7:30-10:30 PM. 781-662-6710

Feb 18, Sunday Family Dance w/Judith Stames-Hamilton & Marcie Van Cleave. Scout House, 74 Walden St, Concord. 2-4 PM. \$4, \$15/family. 781-662-7475, 781-662-6710, fac@facone.org

Mar 3, Saturday **Playford Ball** Boston area. Call for information. 781-662-6710, mskeller@mit.edu, www.cds-boston.org

Mar 4, Sunday **Family Dance** w/Sarah Gregory Smith & Jacob Bloom. Scout House, 74 Walden St, Concord. 2-4 PM. \$4, \$15/family. 781-662-7475, 781-662-6710, fac@facone.org

Mar 4, Sunday Challenging Contra w/Dan Pearl. Scout House, 74 Walden St,

Concord. 7:30-10:30 PM. 781-662-6710

Mar 18, Sunday Family Dance w/Marcie Van Cleave & Regina Laskowski. Scout House, 74 Walden St, Concord. 2-4 PM. \$4, \$15/family. 781-662-7475, 781-662-6710, fac@facone.org

Equinox Ball w/Wild Asparagus. Scout House, 74 Walden Mar 31, Saturday St, Concord. 781-662-6710, www.cds-boston.org

Highland Ball. Nevins Hall, Framingham. 781-662-7475 May 5, Saturday

#### **Venues - Eastern Massachusetts**

Arlington-SJC 2nd Friday International: 781-272-0396 at St.John's Church, 74 Pleasant St.

Arlington-COS Balkan: 781-648-6887, 781-322-3949, at Church of Our Saviour, 21 Marathon St.

Arlington-PAC English: 781-662-6710, 508-875-0382, 3rd,4th,5th Fridays International: 617-662-7476. Contra: 781-662-6710. At Park Ave Cong. Church, Park Ave & Paul Revere Rd.

English: 508-362-9570 at West Barnstable Community Hall, Rte Barnstable

149 (North of US 6)

Thursdays International: 781-662-7475. First Unitarian, 404 Belmont

Concord Ave

Berlin First Saturday Contras: 508-838-2104, 978-365-3883. At Town

Hall, Route 62. Oct-May

Tuesday English: 781-891-3296, 781-271-0356. Gender-free: Boston 617-522-2216, 617-522-1115. At First Church Unitarian, Centre &

Eliot Sts, Jamaica Plain.

Brookline-COS Scottish: 617-325-6657, 617-661-5899. English: 781-662-6710, 508-875-0382. Scandinavian: 781-891-3207,

Eph@ieee.org. At Church of our Saviour, 23 Monmouth St. Brookline-KI Israeli: 617-484-4282, 617-277-9155, ken\_avner@harvard.edu, www.israelidance.com/playshop/ifd.htm. At Temple Kehillath

Israel, 384 Harvard St

Cambridge-FC Renaissance: 617-661-3353 at First Congregational, 11 Garden

Cambridge-HH Sunday Israeli: 617-484-3267, 617-254-HORA at Harvard/ Radcliffe Hillel, 52 Mt. Auburn St

Cambridge-MIT Sunday International, 2nd & 4th Tuesday contra, Wednesday Israeli: 617-253-FOLK, http://web.mit.edu/fdc at MIT Student Center. Call for location on campus.

Cambridge-Ry Telespringar: 617/661-3670 dgolber@aol.com. At Ryles Jazz Club, 212 Hampshire Street, Inman Square

Cambridge-VFW Thurs contras: 781-662-6710, 781-272-0396, 508-229-2854 At VFW Hall, 688 Huron Ave

Cambridge-YW Scottish: 617-484-0950 at 7 Temple St.

Carlisle Contras: 978-369-1232, 617-547-7781 at Unitarian Church Clinton Contras: 978-368-8470, jcs12367@juno.com. At town hall. Concord Family dance: 781-662-6710, 781-662-7476. Monday Contras: 781-272-0396, 781-259-8442. Second Saturday Contras: 978-369-4462, 781-944-3544. Third Saturday Contras: 978-667-7459. Fourth Saturday Contras: 617-547-7781, 978-369-1232. Fifth Saturday Contras: 781-662-6710. At Concord Scout House, 74 Walden St.

Western Squares 978-774-8159, 978-927-8173. At Calvary Danvers Episcopal, corner Holten & Cherry Sts.

Fitchburg Scottish: Fitchburg Library Auditorium, Main St. 978-342-1724. Contras: Whipple Middle School, Green St, off County Rd. 978-Ipswich 356-1477

Contras: 781-944-3544, www.toc.lcs.mit.edu/~slonim/rjelly. First Lexington Unitarian, on the green

781-324-7355. Studio 665, 3rd Floor, 665 Salem Malden Contra St, Maplewood Square.

Salsa/Swing: 781-646-1233. www.DanceCaliente.com at Cong. Medford

Church, 400 High St. Medway Contras: 508-883-3443, mtvictor@juno.com, at Christ Episcopal

Church, 14 School St Melrose Balkan: 617-840-2362. Dance Studio, 466 Franklin St.

Northboro 3rd Sat Contras: 978-481-4802. First Unitarian, 40 Church St Rehoboth Contras:508-252-6375, 508-669-5656, shwnkndrk@aol.com At Goff Hall, Bay State Rd

Scottish: 978-745-2229 at First Universalist Church, 211 Bridge St Salem Contras: 508-888-4968 at Grange Hall, Old County Rd, East Sandwich

Sandwich (near fish hatchery)

Southboro International: 508-872-4110. At Fayville Village Hall, Central &

Grove Sts

Scottish: 978-897-2466 at Town Hall Stow

Watertown Greek 617-547-1095 at Hellenic Cultural Center, 25 Bigelow Ave. Weston **Scottish**: 781-259-9566, 617-235-6490 at First Church, on the

Woods Hole Contras: 508-548-6661. At Community Hall.

Worcester Contras: 508-755-7329. First Cong. Church, 1070 Pleasant St.

#### Regular Events - Western Mass.

3rd Sundays Family dance. Northampton. Oct-March

All Mondays English, Amherst. 7-9:30 PM. \$5.

All Wednesdays Scottish, Great Barrington. 7 PM. Sep-June

All Thursdays Scottish, Northampton. 7-9:30. Sep-May All Fridays International, Amherst, 8-10 PM, All year

1st Fridays Contra & Scandinavian w/Fourgone Conclusions. Greenfield. 8

2nd Fridays Contra Pittsfield. January-June.

2nd, 4th, 5th Fridays Contra w/David Kaynor. Greenfield. 8-12 PM.

3rd Fridays Contras & squares. Greenfield. Teaching 8, dance 8:30 PM. \$6

1st Saturdays English w/Helen Davenport. Amherst. 8-10:30 PM \$6. 1st Saturdays Contra w/Wild Asparagus. Greenfield. Beginners 8 PM, dance

8:30 \$6 All year.

2nd Saturdays Contra w/Swallowtail. Amherst. Beginners 8 PM,dance 8:30 \$6.

2nd Saturdays Square Dance w/Ralph Sweet. Goshen. 8 PM. Sep-June

3rd Saturdays English w/Pleasures Of The Town. Amherst. Beginners 8 PM, dance 8:30-11. \$7. All year.

3rd Saturdays Gender free contras. Greenfield.

4th Saturdays Contra. Amherst. 8:30-11:30 PM \$6.

4th Saturdays Contra w/Joe Baker & Mountain Laurel. Sheffield. 8:30 PM.

\$5/adults, \$2/kids. Jan-Nov 4th Saturdays Zydeco Greenfield. Teaching 8, dance 8:30 PM.

4th Saturdays Square Dance w/Bob Livingston. Bernardston. 8 PM

5th Saturdays Contra w/Soozarama. Amherst. 8:30 PM. \$6.

various Saturdays Gender-free contra. Greenfield. 8 -11 PM.

#### Venues - Western Massachusetts - area code 413

Amherst Monday English: 256-8260. 1st Saturday English: 860-285-

8694, dancerhiker@yahoo.com. 2nd Saturday Contra: 253-5638, www.swallowtail.com. 3rd Saturday English: 549-4123.

4th Saturday Contra: 367-9269, sconger@shaysnet.com. 5th Saturday Contra: 367-9269, sconger@shaysnet.com. At Munson Library, South Amherst International Folk Dance. 323-6330,

549-6748 at Bangs Community Center. Boltwood Walk. Bernardston 4th Sat. Squares: 337-4778, at Bernardston School, School St.

Goshen 2nd Saturday Squares: 268-7176 at Town Hall, Rte 9.

Great Barrington Scottish: 448-8621, 229-8096 at Fitness Express, 42 Bridge St. 1st Friday Contras: 549-1913. 2nd,4th,5th Friday Contras: 367-Greenfield

9380. 3rd Friday Contras: 802-254-2874, btomczak@sover.net. 1st Saturday Contras: 323-9604, Wild. Asparagus@pobox.com. 2nd Saturday Contra: 773-1671. Gender-Free Contras: 665-8119, 584-0938. 4th Saturday Zydeco: 773-8366. At Guiding Star Grange, 401 Chapman St.

Hadley 2nd Fri.Swing: at N.Hadley Village Hall, 239 River Drive. 585-

Northampton Scottish 586-5476; 3rd Sun. Family dance 586-7602. At Lyman

Hall, First Churches, 129 Main St (Rte 9).

Pittsfield 2nd Friday Contra: 499-7105 at Pittsfield Grange, 1123 West St. Sheffield 4th Saturday Contra: 528-9385 at Grange Hall, Route 7.

#### **Regular Events - New Hampshire**

2nd Sundays English Concord. Sep-May

3rd Sundays English w/Marianne Taylor. Portsmouth. 7-9:30 PM. All year.

All Mondays Contra Nelson. June-Dec

All Wednesdays International. Hanover. Oct-May All Wednesdays Scottish. Concord. 7:30 PM. \$4. All year

"middle" Wednesdays Scottish. Nashua. 7-9 PM. 1st & last Thursdays Scottish. Nashua. 7-9 PM.

All Thursdays International, East Concord.

1st Thursdays Contra w/Lamprey River Band. Dover. 8-10:40 PM. \$4.

Scottish. Keene. 7:30 PM. All Fridays

All Fridays Scottish Greenland. 8 PM. Oct-June

1st Fridays Traditional Squares w/Dudley Laufman. Wentworth.

1st & 3rd Fridays Contra Holderness.

1st & 3rd Fridays Scottish. Sandwich. 7:30 PM.

2nd & 4th Fridays Contra. Milford. 8-11 PM. \$5. All year. 3rd Fridays Contra. Kensington. 8-11:30 PM. \$5. Sep-June.

1st Saturdays Contra. Peterborough. Instr. 7:30 PM, dance 8-11:30 PM Sep-July

1st Saturdays Country Dance Deerfield. Nov-June

2nd Saturdays Contra. Francestown. 8:00-11:00 PM. \$5. All year.

2nd Saturdays Contra. Gilmanton Corners. 8-11 PM. \$5/person, \$10/family.

3rd Saturdays Contra. East Concord. 8-11 PM. \$5. Kids under 12 free.

3rd Saturdays Swing Keene. Oct-May

4th Saturdays Contra. Dover. 8:30-11:30 PM.\$6. All year

#### \*\*\* SPECIAL EVENTS \*\*\*

Jan 12-14 New England Dance Legacy Weekend UNH, Durham. 225-

6546, 463-7771, 664-2513

#### Venues - New Hampshire - area code 603

Concord 2nd Sunday English: 934-2543. At Howard Auditorium, NH

Hospital 105 Pleasant St. Wednesday Scottish: 226-2739. At Odd

Fellows Hall, Pleasant St

Deerfield 1st Saturday Country dance: 463-7771, 463-7151. At Town Hall,

Old Centre Road.

Dover 1st Thurs Contra: 664-2513. 4th Saturday Contra: 659-7038.

East Concord 3rd Saturday Contra: 746-2388. International: 746-3139. At

East Concord Community Center

2nd Saturday Contra: 547-2955, 487-2480, Town Hall. Francestown

2nd Saturday Contra: 267-7227. At Academy Building, Gilmanton

Gilmanton Corners.

Friday Scottish: 436-4118. At Parish Hall, Post Road (Rte 151). Greenland Hanover

Wednesday International: 802-633-3226, at Kendall Retirement

1st & 3rd Friday Contra: 536-3887. At Town Hall. Holderness

Keene Friday Scottish: 352-6968. At Unitarian Church, Washington St.

3rd Saturday Swing: 357-2100. At Moving Company, 76

Railroad St

Kensington **3rd Friday Contra**: 770-7988, 659-5612. At Town Hall, Route

Milford 2nd & 4th Friday Contra: 886-5071, 672-8252. Town Hall.

Scottish: 891-2331, lorenw@rwp.mv.com. At Chandler Library, Nashua

Main St

Monday Contra 827-3455, 827-3732. At Town Hall. Nelson

Peterborough 1st Saturday Contra: 525-3883. At Town House.

3rd Sunday English: 886-5071, blw@star.net, Portsmouth

taylorgorman@juno.com. At Portsmouth Ballroom, Portsmouth &

Fleet Sts

1st & 3rd Friday Scottish: 284-6164. Town Hall. Sandwich

1st Friday Traditional Squares: 744-5135. At Town Hall Wentworth

#### **Regular Events - Connecticut**

International, West Hartford-AL. 7-10:00 PM. \$5. All year. All Sundays

1st Friday Swing West Hartford-TH. 8:30-11:30, teaching 7:30. \$11

Contras & English w/Ed & Marjorie Potter. Norwalk. 8-1st & 3rd Fridays

10:30 \$5 Sep-May

1st Saturdays Contra. Chaplin. 8-11 PM. Teaching 7:30 PM. \$6.

1st Saturdays Contra New Haven. 8-11, teaching 7:30.

2nd Saturdays Round Hill Country Dances. Greenwich. Instruction 7,dance 8-

11. All year

2nd Saturdays Square dance w/ Bob Livingston & Barbara's Band. Killingly 8

PM. Sep-June

2nd Saturdays Contra Wethersfield. 8-11, teaching 7:30. \$7

3rd Saturdays Cajun/Zydeco Wethersfield. 8-11:30, teaching 7:15, \$10.

3rd & 5th Saturdays Contra Branford. 8-11, teaching 7:30.

4th Saturdays Swing Wethersfield. 8:30-11:30, teaching 7:30, \$5

#### \*\*\* SPECIAL EVENTS \*\*\*

Dec 31, Sunday New Year's Eve Contra American Legion Post, Wethersfield. 8-12:30 \$10. 860-233-6603, www.geocities.com/

Heartland/4159

March 3, Saturday Highland Ball. West Hartford Community Center. 203-

238-0694 Joyceschase@home.com

Family Dance Cranbury Comm. Chapel, Newtown Ave & March 30, Friday Frank St, Norwalk, 7:30-9:30 PM. 203-226-6681, 203-373-9320

March 31, Saturday ContraFest Town Hall, 50 S.Main St, W.Hartford. \$10. 860-233-6603, www.geocities.com/Heartland/4159

#### **Venues - Connecticut**

Branford Contra: 203-776-1812, barbararuth@rocketmail.com,

www.ctcontra.com/nhcd. At Branford Community Center, 46

Church St.

Chaplin Contras: 860-423-1963, 860-455-0368, John.Ivan@uconn.edu. At

Chaplin Grange, Route 198.

2nd Saturday Country Dance: 914-736-6489, 203-381-9509, Greenwich

bkoser@bestweb.net,bigfoot.com/~roundhill. Round Hill

Community House, Round Hill Rd.

Killingly 2nd Saturday Squares: 860-774-5865. At Killingly Grange, Route

New Haven Contra: 203-776-1812, barbararuth@rocketmail.com,

www.ctcontra.com/nhcd. At St. Thomas's Episcopal Church, 830

Whitney Ave. (corner of Whitney and Cliff)

1st & 3rd Friday Country Dance: 203-226-6681, 203-373-9320, Norwalk

edwin.potter@snet.net, Cranbury Comm. Chapel, Newtown Ave &

Frank St.

Wethersfield

West Hartford-AL Sunday International: 860-561-5069, 860-232-7368, At

American Legion Hall, 12 Memorial Rd. West Hartford-TH 1st Friday Swing 860-649-0482, zsdman@erols.com.At

Town Hall,50 S.Main St

2nd Saturday Contra: 860-233-6603, rlindau@attglobal.net. 3rd Saturday Cajun: 860-648-2584, tamarind1@gobi.com. 4th

Saturday Swing: 860-346-5473, 860-346-7954,

swingout@webtv.net. At American Legion Hall, 275 Main St.

#### **Regular Events - Vermont**

2nd Sundays English Norwich. Jan-April

2nd & 4th Mondays International Brattleboro. Sep-July

Most Tuesdays Scottish w/Bernard McGrath & Joy Leland. Fairlee. 7-9 PM \$3

All Wednesdays Scottish Montpelier

All Wednesdays Israeli Burlington. Sep-May

All Thursdays Scottish w/Major & Bailey. Putney. 7:30 PM. Sep-June

1st Fridays Contra Danville. Oct-May

1st Fridays Contra North Clarendon. Feb-May

1st Fridays International Norwich. Sep-June. Call to confirm

1st & 3rd Fridays Scottish Cornwall 2nd Fridays Contra Chelsea. Oct-May 3rd Fridays Contra Burlington. Sep-June

3rd Fridays Community dance North Clarendon. Jan-April

Alternate Fridays English South Burlington. Sep-May 1st Saturdays Swing West Dummerston. Sep-June

1st,3rd,5th Saturdays Contra. Montpelier. 8 PM.

2nd Saturdays Contra. Wolcott.

2nd Saturdays Contra. Burlington. Instruction 7:30 PM, dance 8:00 PM.. \$5.

2nd Saturdays Contra w/David Millstone & Northern Spy. Norwich. 8-11:30

3rd Saturdays Family dance Cornwall. Sep-May

PM. Sep-June

3rd Saturday Contra Townshend.

3rd & 4th Saturday Swing White River Jct. Sep-June. Call to confirm

4th Saturdays Contra. Bristol. 8 PM.

Last Saturdays Contra w/Fred Breunig & Tune Police. East Putney. Beginners 8, dance 8:30 -11 PM.

Various Saturdays Gender-Free Contra Putney. Dances on 2/3, 4/7, 6/2 Various Saturdays Ed Larkin Dancers' Open House Royalton. Dances on

12/16, 1/13, 2/17, 3/10, 4/14

#### Venues - Vermont - area code 802

Brattleboro 2nd & 4th Monday International: 348-7463. At School of Dance,

17 Eliot St.

Bristol **4th Saturday Contra**: 388-4548. At Holley Hall.

Burlington Wednesday Israeli: 878-4823. At Ohavi Zedek Synagogue, 188

N.Prospect St. **3rd Friday Contra**: 660-9491. At Champlain Club, Crowley St. **2nd Saturday Contra**: 658-0832,658-8488.

Edmunds School, Main & So.Union Sts.

Chelsea 2nd Friday Contra: 883-5578. Grange Hall.

Cornwall **3rd Saturday Family Dance**: 388-7828, 426-2548 **Scottish**:

987-2572. Town Hall.

Danville **1st Friday Contra**: 426-3331. At Knights of Pythias, Hill St.

East Putney Last Saturday Contra: 387-5985. At Pierce's Hall. Fairlee Tuesday Scottish: 603-353-4647. At Town Hall.

Lyndonville Saturday International: 748-3512, 748-2877, 633-3226. Bole

Gym, Lyndon State College

Montpelier 1st,3rd,5th Sat Contra: 586-9661, 229-1207. Capitol City

Grange. Wed.Scottish: 863-4105, 229-9811. Union School, School

St.

No.Clarendon 1st Friday Contras: 492-3111. 3rd Friday Community:492-

3111. At Grange Hall.

Norwich **2nd Saturday Contras:** 603-448-2950, millstone@valley.net.

Friday International: 674-5934. English: 875-4121. At Tracy

Hall, Main St

Putney Gender Free Contra: 603-256-6995. At Community Ctr,

Christian Square. Thursday Scottish: 387-5737. At Dance Studio,

Landmark College.

Royalton **Ed Larkin Dancers**: 433-1283. At Royalton Academy.

So. Burlington Friday English: 658-4126, 862-3638, 878-4893. Municipal Bldg,

575 Dorset St

Townshend **3rd Saturday Contra**: 874-7141. At Town Hall.

West Dummerston 1st Saturday Swing: 254-5443. At West St. Arts.

White River Jct Saturday Swing: 603-863-6519. At Jazzercise Ctr, 27

Maple St

Wolcott **2nd Saturday Contra**: 748-5137. At Town Hall.

#### **Regular Events - Rhode Island**

All Wednesdays Scottish. East Greenwich. 7-10 PM.

Various Saturdays Contradance. Cranston. 8 PM. \$6 Dances 11/25, 12/23,

1/20, 2/17, 3/17, 5/22, 6/16

Various Saturdays Cajun Dance w/Magnolia. East Providence. 8 PM,

teaching 7:30 \$9

#### Venues - Rhode Island

Cranston Saturday Contra: 401-828-3229, jstw@edgenet.net. At Oaklawn

Grange, Wheelock St. 8 PM. \$6

East Greenwich Wed Scottish: 401-828-9349, sueandpaul@ids.net At

Rocky Hill Grange.

East Providence Cajun 401-246-2720, 508-636-2221, Aeee@aol.com. At

Brightridge Hall.

#### **Regular Events - Maine**

All Sundays Scottish. Kennebunk. 6 PM.
All Mondays Scottish. Belfast. 7:30-9:30 PM. \$2.

2nd Wednesdays English. Freedom. 7-9:30 PM, \$3.

All Thursdays International. Bar Harbor. 7-9 PM. \$1.

All Thursdays International. Rockland. 6:30-8:30 \$4.

All Thursdays Scottish Brunswick. 6:30-8:30. \$3

2nd Fridays Contra. Kittery. 8-11:30 PM. \$6. All year.

3rd Fridays Cajun Auburn. 8-11 PM \$6

3rd Fridays Contra w/Sheep Island Rovers. Stonington. 7:30-10:30 PM \$5

4th Fridays Contra. No. Whitefield. 8:30-11:30 PM. \$6.

1st Saturdays Contra w/Oakum Bay String Band. Blue Hill. 8 PM \$5 All year

1st Saturdays Contra. Skowhegan. 8 PM. \$5, \$10 max. per family.

1st Saturdays Contra w/Wake The Neighbors. Falmouth. 8-12 PM, teaching 7

PM. \$7. Last Dance 12/2/00.

1st Saturdays Contra w/Wake The Neighbors. Portland. 8-12 PM, teaching 7

PM. \$7. First Dance 1/6/01

2nd Saturdays Contra Belfast. 8 PM \$5

2nd Saturdays Contra w/Green Mountain Railway. Hulls Cove.

2nd Saturdays **Contra** w/Marsh Island Band. Orono. 8 PM, teaching 7:30, \$5 2nd & 4th Saturdays **Family Dance & Contra**. No.Yarmouth. Family Dance 6, Potluck 7:30, dance 8:30-12. \$7

3rd Saturdays Contra w/Scrod Pudding. Bowdoinham. 8:30 PM.\$6. Bring water.

3rd Saturdays Contra. Trenton. 8-11:30 PM. \$6 Bring water.

4th Saturdays Contra. Rockport. 8:00-11:30 PM. \$5.

4th Saturdays Contra w/Sheep Island Rovers. Winter Harbor. 8-11 PM. \$4.

#### \*\*\* SPECIAL EVENTS \*\*\*

Mar 16-17 **Downeast Country Dance Festival** Lewiston. 568-7597,

circleleft@uninets.net, w3.ime.net/~laurie/decdf

#### Venues - Maine - area code 207

Bar Harbor Thursday International: 461-6631, 288-3800, 257-4321,

jra@jax.org. At Municipal Bldg.

Belfast Monday Scottish: 469-3293. At American Legion Hall, Church St.

Contra: 338-0715. First Church.

Blue Hill **1st Saturday Contra**: 359-2070. At Town Hall.

Bowdoinham 3rd Saturday Contra: 948-5842, 225-2117. At Town Hall, School

St. Bring water.

Brunswick **2nd Tues International**: 729-1555. The Cellar of Fitness, 9

Cumberland St. **Scottish**: 833-2329. Longfellow School. Falmouth **Contra**: 688-9043, 772-6690, srleblanc@usa.net. At

Congregational Church, 267 Falmouth Road

Freedom **English**: 568-7597. Dirigo Grange, Rte. 137.

Hulls Cove Contra 667-0260. Community Center.

Kennebunk Sunday Scottish: 967-3813 . Brick Store Museum Program

Center, Dane St.

Kittery **2nd Friday Contra**: 603-436-8372. At Grange Hall.

No. Whitefield 4th Friday Contra: 495-2331. St. Denis Parish Hall, Rte. 126. No.Yarmouth 2nd & 4th Saturday Family Dance & Contra: 865-9014, 671-

4964, jeffraymond@prontomail.com. At Westcustogo Grange, Rte

2nd Saturday Contra 942-5471. Community Center

Portland Contra: 688-9043, 772-6690, srleblanc@usa.net. At Cathedral

Church, 307 Congress St.

Rockland
Rockport
Skowhegan

Thursday International: 372-8298. Recreation Ctr, Limerock St.
Contra: 785-5118, 568-7597. Simonton Corners Community Hall.
1st Sat Contra: 566-7952, 587-4851. At Grange Hall, Pleasant St

Skownegan St Sat Contra: 566-7952, 587-4851. At Grange Hall, Pleasant St Stonington Contra 367-5058, 348-2333. Deer Isle/Stonington Dance Center, Rte 15A.

Trenton **3rd Sat. Contra**: 667-0260. At Grange Hall, Rte 3 & Rte 230.

Bring water

Orono

Winter Harbor 4th Saturday Contra: 422-9014, 461-6631. At Hammond Hall.

#### **Regular Events - Outside N.E.**

All Thursdays  $\,\textbf{Contra}\,$  . 8 -11 PM. \$6. 716-924-4980, tbleck@msn.com At

Covenant United Methodist Church, 1124 Culver Rd,

Rochester, NY. No dance 11/23.

NY. 8 PM. 607-273-8678, TCCD@tedcrane.com, http://

tedcrane.com/TCCD/

3rd Sundays English w/Richard Sauvain. 7:30-10 PM. \$6. 716-442-4681,

sauvain@rochester.rr.com At Friends Meeting House, 84 Scio St,

Rochester, NY.

#### \*\*\* SPECIAL EVENTS \*\*\*

Feb 16-18, Fri-Sat Dance Flurry Sarasota Springs, NY. www.danceflurry.org

#### **Festivals and Dance Camps**

Jan 12-14	New England Dance Legacy Weekend, UNH, Durham NH.		
	Contact: 603-225-6546, 603-463-7771, 603-664-2513		
Feb 6-13	Tropical Dance English Week Vacation, St. Croix, US Virgin		
	Islands. George Marshall, PO Box 602, Belchertown MA 01007		
	413-323-9604 TDV@wildasparagus.com www.tropdanvac.com		
Feb 15-22	Tropical Dance Contra Week Vacation, St. Croix, US Virgin		
	Islands. George Marshall, PO Box 602, Belchertown MA 01007		
	413-323-9604 TDV@wildasparagus.com www.tropdanvac.com		
Feb 16-18	Dance Flurry Sarasota Springs, New York. Contact:		
	www.danceflurry.org		
Feb 28-Mar 7	Contra Dance Vacation, Antigua, Guatemala. PO Box 42301,		
	Santa Barbara, CA 93140, bailemundomaya@bigfoot.com, http://		
	geocities.com/bailemundomaya		
Mar 16-17	<b>Downeast Country Dance Festival</b> Lewiston ME. 207-568-7597,		
	circleleft@uninets.net, w3.ime.net/~laurie/decdf		
May 4-6	Hands Four Spring Weekend, East Hill Farm, Troy NH. Contact:		
	Hands Four, PO Box 641, Bedford MA 01730, 978-670-9333,		
	www.hands4.com		

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