

## NACDS Leadership

It takes many people working together to make a volunteer organization successful. The term for current officers is nearing an end and new officer candidates are being solicited. If you would be willing to serve, please contact Mark Mohon at 533-5956 and express your interest in helping next year.

**“Teamwork divides the task and doubles the success.”** *Unknown*

**“Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success.”** *Henry Ford*

**President** – has responsibility to make sure that dances run smoothly; leads in planning for the future; sets agendas and presides at Board meetings.

**President-Elect** – organizes the Blue Moon Weekend during the current year; moves into the President’s position the next year.

**Dance Series Producer** – schedules bands, callers and the dance hall; coordinates dance hosts (those who set up and clean up at each dance).

**Secretary** – keeps minutes of Board meetings.

**Treasurer** - manages the bank account and tracks data on income and expenses

**Newsletter Editor** – produces a monthly newsletter with announcements and general information; prints and mails the newsletter to NACDS members in a timely manner.

**Property Manager** – coordinates the sound system at each dance; sets up and dismantles sound equipment; stores and maintains equipment.

**Membership Chair** – maintains data base of current addresses; prints mailing labels for the newsletter and other correspondence; produces a members and friends phone/addresses directory.

Whew! I think this is it! Keep in mind that each of these elected officers can delegate and solicit help for their task. The dances belong to all of us, so consider being a part of the team that makes the fun happen. Again, Mark will welcome a phone call if you are willing to help or have any questions.

**“Teamwork is the lynchpin in our long term success.”** *Ned Lautenback*

# Getting To Know You

Theresa and Tim Miller

Theresa and Tim are regular local contra dancers. She was originally from Wheeling, West Virginia and Tim grew up on a dairy farm in Ohio. Currently Theresa is an elementary art teacher in the Madison County School System, and Tim is a scientist for NASA in climatology and weather.

In his spare time Tim makes beer at home and plays guitar and mandolin in two bands –



Maple Hill and Adonis Blue. Their musical daughter, Vanessa, also plays in Adonis Blue.

They have been contra dancing for several years and also enjoy other kinds of dancing - swing, Cajun/Zydeco, ballroom, and Theresa has even done belly dancing!

They enjoy the people at contra dancing and are looking forward to attending Blue Moon dance weekend soon. This will be their first contra dance weekend.

## Blue Moon Dance Weekend

May 19-21, UAH Campus



**Pirate Tom:** Arrrgh, my evil twin brother. Tell me again how we're going to take over the world?

**Cruel Carla:** What part of "dance them into submission" don't you understand, my simple sibling. Ha, ha, ha!

**Pirate Tom:** Ha, ha, ha. Arrrgh. Urrgh. All of it?

**Cruel Carla:** Well, then. Here's the plan. First, we select a dance weekend with a reputation for being friendly and fun. Like the Blue Moon Weekend, here in Huntsville, on the weekend of May 19<sup>th</sup>! Then, we bring in an awesome line up of musicians, like the Latter Day Lizards and the Evil Twins, and callers, like Becky Hill and Barbara Groh so we attract all the best contra dancers in the country!

**Pirate Tom:** Arrrgh!!!

**Cruel Carla:** After an evening of incredible dancing to wonderful callers, we'll have them! We'll replace the callers, so they'll listen to whatever we say. We can send them back to take over all their local dances. And then on to the whole world! Ha, ha, ha!

**Pirate Tom:** Ha, ha, ha! -- but, --- it takes a lot of people to put on a dance weekend. Where will we find so many people?

**Cruel Carla:** Funny you should mention that. Speaking of incredible bands and callers... [turns to audience]

**HANDS FOUR FROM THE TOP! SIGN UP FOR THE BLUE MOON WEEKEND!**

**Pirate Tom:** *ONE'S CROSS OVER! SIGN UP FOR A JOB WITH MARK MOHON!*

**Cruel Carla:** *SWING YOUR PARTNER! TELL CAROL MEBANE YOU'RE WILLING TO HOST SOME DANCE GYPSIES IN YOUR HOME.....Spare bed, space for sleeping bag, etc.*

**Pirate Tom:** *COME TO BLUE MOON WEEKEND AND HAVE LOTS OF FUN!*

**Cruel Carla:** Now we have them! World domination! And they'll all think, "It's only a dance!"

*Script written by Bryan Walls and performed at a recent dance by puppeteers, Wayne Hitt and Shelly Vann.*

Check the Web site <http://secontra.com/bluemoon.html> for details. Email Natasha Kunin at [bluemoonweekend@gmail.com](mailto:bluemoonweekend@gmail.com) to register.

Email Mark Mohon at [mark.mohon@gmail.com](mailto:mark.mohon@gmail.com) to sign up for helping – sitting at registration table, filling water coolers, set-up, etc.

# Huntsville Calendar

- Huntsville dances are the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of each month in the gym at Faith Presbyterian Church, 5003 Whitesburg Dr., South, (corner of Whitesburg Dr. & Airport Rd.). Beginners Workshop is at 7:00 PM then the regular dance is from 7:30 – 10:30 PM.
- Admission is \$7 (\$6 for members), \$4 for teens, free for ages 12 & under. Remember to bring comfortable, non-scuffing shoes for dancing. Bring someone new to a dance this month.
- Contact Bryan Walls (256) 837-0656 or email: [bwalls@pobox.com](mailto:bwalls@pobox.com) or visit <http://secontra.com.NACDS.html> for more info.

| Date      | Caller   | Band                               |
|-----------|--|------------------------------------|
| May 6     | Erin McGuire and Doug Roth<br>(Last chance to practice before Blue Moon) | Kaleidoscope                       |
| May 19-21 | <b>Blue Moon Dance Weekend</b><br>Becky Hill, Barbara Groh               | Latter Day Lizards, The Evil Twins |



## Area Dance Gypsy Calendar

| Date     | Location  | Caller             | Band  |
|----------|---|--------------------|---|
| May 9/23 | Flat Creek, TN                                    | Chrissy Davis-Camp | Inge Wood & anyone who wants to play<br>(Usually 20-30 pickers and 100 dancers!!) |
| May 26   | Sewanee   | Chrissy Davis-Camp | Ed Baggott & Elsie Peterson   |
| May 5    | Nashville   | Chrissy Davis-Camp | Old South   |
| May 12   | Nashville   | Emma Rushton       | Wingates  |
| May 19   | Nashville   | Ed Wilkinson       | Nashville Ceili   |
| May 26   | Nashville   | John Sharlet       | Frances Cunningham & David Coe  |
| May 28   | Nashville<br>English Dance /Friends Meeting House | Susan Kevra        | Al & Emily Cantrell & Kent Martin   |
| May 13   | Birmingham  | Doug Singleton     | Carter's Little Pills   |
| May 13   | Chattanooga                                       | Bryant Haynes      | Peavine Creek   |
| May 27   | Chattanooga                                       | Frederick Park     | Ed Baggott & Elsie Peterson   |

**FoOTMaD (Birmingham)** dances 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays at the YMCA, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave & 23<sup>rd</sup> St, 7:30 PM. <http://www.bamalong.com/bcds.htm>.

**CTDS (Chattanooga)** dances 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays at All Saints Academy, 310 E. 8<sup>th</sup> St., downtown, 8:00 PM.

Contact Steve at (706) 937-4991, Claire & Bryant at (423)876-7359 or <http://contranoooga.org>

**Misty Mountain Dancers (Sewanee, TN)** dances at the Legion Hall in Sewanee, TN. For details, call (931) 598-0814 or check <http://www.mistycontra.zoomshare.com/0.html>

**NCD (Nashville)** dances almost every Friday at 8:00 PM at University School.

For directions, contact Chrissy at (615) 210-6808 John, email: [DanceFools@aol.com](mailto:DanceFools@aol.com) or <http://dancenashville.org/>

**Flat Creek** dances – 2 & 4<sup>th</sup> Tues, Flat Creek Community Center <http://www.nashvilleoldtime.org/Dances/flatcreekcontradances.htm>

### A Bit Farther Away, But Well Worth The Travel

**CCD (Atlanta)** dances on Fridays & alternate Tuesdays. <http://contradance.org> (What the Hey! Dance weekend – May 5-7)

**KCD (Knoxville)** dances every Monday. <http://www.kornet.org/kcd/>

**MCD (Memphis)** dances on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays. <http://hometown.aol.com/horselovers/index.html>

**Sautee Community Dances (N. GA)** once a month from Sept – May. <http://sauteecontra.home.mindspring.com/>

## NACDS

### North Alabama Country Dance Society

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**Please Join Us!**  
**Or Renew Your Membership!**

Send just \$10 for one, or  
\$15 per family, to the address above.

Make checks payable to NACDS.  
(mailing label shows renewal date)

Members receive monthly newsletter,  
2 guest passes, and a \$1 DISCOUNT to  
each regular dance!

## This and That

- “Thank you” to Jane Ewing for the two dance workshops she taught in March. Our dancing has improved!
- Thanks to Donna Deaton for hosting a recent Board meeting and button-making party. Snacks were great.
- Many young people who are attending our dances add excitement and energy. Notice a few below.

