

Newsletter of the North Alabama Country Dance Society

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Group Affiliate, Country Dance & Song Society

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NACDS home page: <http://secontra.com/NACDS.html>

May 1st:

Vicki Herndon with Bob & Cathy, Jim & Curt

Old time sound from a favorite band - **Bob & Cathy White, Jim Holland and Curt Lewis** plus spicy calling from Chattanooga - **Vicki Herndon**. Be there!

May 15th:

Jane Ewing with Tom Kat and the Fiddle

Workshop from 4:30 to 6 - Potluck supper at 6. **Chuck & Katrina Weber and Tom Green** will play and **Jane Ewing** will teach and call. Bring a dish to share and Let's dance!

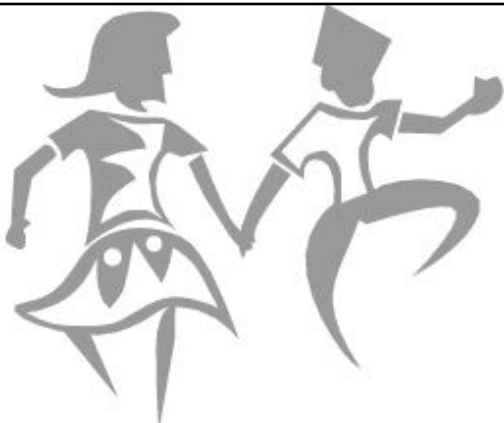
May 21-23

Blue Moon 2004 - Beth Molaro & Seth Tepfer

Clayfoot Strutters & Red Mountain White Trash

Register by May 8th & save \$10 - Get those forms in now!

The fine print: NACDS dances the 1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month in the gym at Faith Presbyterian Church on Whitesburg at Airport Rd. in Huntsville. Come to the refresher workshop at 7PM, then dance until 10:30 for \$7 (\$6 for members, \$4 for teens.) Don't forget to bring comfortable shoes to dance in and please wear a name tag. Bring someone new to a dance this month!



Steering Committee Meeting - May 6

6:30 at the Walls - 4304 Holmes Ave. Bring a dish to share. We'll make decorations and do final planning for the dance weekend. Nominations still open for next year's officers - see slate below. All are welcome!

Proposed NACDS Officers and Chairpersons

President	-	Diane Walls
President Elect	-	?
Secretary	-	Margaret Phillips
Treasurer	-	Bryan Walls
Newsletter Editor	-	Doug Roth
Dance Producer	-	Carol Mebane
Property Custodian	-	Steve Nix
Membership Chair	-	Linda Harmon

We still need volunteers to ...

a) house out-of-town dancers - contact Bob Garrett 864-8140 or Diane Walls 837-0656

b) perform various jobs such as helping to decorate the hall, sitting at the registration table, filling the water jugs, helping with lunch on Saturday and clean-up on Sunday. Sign-up sheets will be available at our dance on the 15th.

Dance Workshop

Anyone wishing to polish their dancing skills before our Annual Blue Moon Dance Weekend is invited to attend a workshop planned for Saturday May 15th.

Our teacher, Jane Ewing, will offer many pointers from basic to advanced. Experienced dancers and newcomers alike will find this class valuable.

The workshop will run 4:30 to 6. We will then break for a potluck dinner before our regularly scheduled dance that night.

Interested in dancing all week?

Cumberland Dance Week (July 25 - 31, 2004) is a labor of love created and managed by the volunteers of the Lloyd Shaw Foundation. Our goal has always been to create a week which celebrates the American folk tradition through dance, song, and music. We've been able to offer the talents of callers such as Glen Morningstar, Chris Bischoff, Seth Tepfer, Bill Litchman, and Kathy Anderson, along with a cast of terrific musicians.

Over the many years of doing this we have found that most new people come to our week because they live in the same town as other people who have come. Once someone comes from a dance group in a town, other people follow next year.

Nobody comes to Cumberland Dance Week from Huntsville. We'd like to change that, because we know that will mean more people next year.

So, to plant that seed, Cumberland Dance Week is offering a "one time only" discounted rate for the first individual, couple, or family from Huntsville of \$350 per adult, \$125 per teen (12-17), \$75 per child (6-11), and \$25 per tot (0-5).

This is essentially our room and board cost - CDW will not recoup anything to pay for staff from you this year. This offer is extended to a few other dance groups in a handful of cities. We reserve the right to stop it if it is TOO successful, for the simple reason that the Kentucky Leadership Center only has so many rooms and we can't sell out the week to people from new cities and have no space for the regular faithful guests that allow us to pay the bills.

<http://www.lloydshaw.org/cumbframe.htm>

You may join us or renew your membership (check date on mailing label) at any of our dances, or by sending \$10 (\$15 for families), payable to NACDS at the address below. You will receive this monthly newsletter & 2 free guest passes, plus you will pay \$1 less to get into each of our regular dances.

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Blue Moon 2004

Tips for a great Blue Moon:

Be hospitable, keep an eye on dancers who are sitting out & ask them to dance. Join the shortest line. Join at the bottom of the set. Take hands-four BEFORE you are asked by the caller (don't worry about proper or improper until prompted.) If a dance doesn't go perfectly, smile anyway - it's just a dance. After each dance, thank your partner and applaud the band & caller. Enjoy yourself - it'll be a great weekend!

Calendar

Local events in **bold**; contact Bryan Walls (256 837-0656; bwalls@pobox.com) for more info.

Apr. 30 (Fri.) Sewanee: Misty Mountain Dancers - ME Anderson calling with "The Furies"

Apr. 30 (Fri.) Nashville - Melmac Lickers with Doug Singleton

NCD dances almost every Friday at the Woodbine Community Center, Burbank & Oriel, near I-440 & Nolensville Rd.

Instruction at 7:30, dance at 8:00. For more info, contact Chrissy (615-210-6808) or John (DanceFools@aol.com).

May 1 (Sat.) NACDS - Vicki Herndon with Bob & Cathy White, Curt Lewis and Jim Holland

May 6 (Thu.) NACDS - Steers meeting & potluck @ the Walls 6:30

May 7 (Fri.) Nashville - Susan Kevra with Little Egypt Pepsteppers

May 8 (Sat.) B'ham FoOTMaD - Susan Kevra with Little Egypt Pepsteppers *once again!*

B'ham FoOTMaD dances 2nd Saturdays at the YWCA, 2300 3rd Avenue North; 7:30 \$8. Info: <http://www.bamalong.com/bcds.htm>

May 8 (Sat.) Chattanooga - Charley Harvey with Tom Kat and the Fiddle

CTDS dances 2nd and 4th Saturdays at All Saints Academy, 310 E. 8th St., downtown; 8-11 P.M.; \$5.

For info contact: Steve at 706-937-4991 or Claire & Bryant at 423-876-7359 or: <http://contranooga.org>

May 14 (Fri.) Nashville - George Segebade calling with The Elftones

May 14 (Fri.) Sewanee: Misty Mountain Dancers - Bryant Haynes calling with "In the Woods"

May 15 (Sat.) NACDS - Jane Ewing with Tom Kat and the Fiddle - afternoon workshop & potluck?!

May 21-23 NACDS - Blue Moon 2004 - Clayfoot Strutters & RMWT with Beth Molaro & Seth Tepfer

May 22 (Sat.) Chattanooga - Beth Johnson with Up In The Air

May 28 (Fri.) Nashville - Eddie Doss calling with Nashville Weather

May 29 (Sat.) NACDS - No Dance

June 4 (Fri.) Nashville - Chrissy Davis-Camp calling with Taylor Dunn, Andy Smith & Friends

June 5 (Sat.) NACDS - Chrissy Davis-Camp with Tom Kat and the Fiddle

June 11 (Fri.) Nashville - John Sharlet calling with Wingates

June 12 (Sat.) Chattanooga - No Dance

June 12 (Sat.) B'ham FoOTMaD - Archie Faulkner with Curley Fries and the Idaho Boisies

June 18 (Fri.) Nashville - Emma Rushton & Kendal Broadie calling with In the Woods

June 19 (Sat.) NACDS - TBA

June 26 (Sat.) Chattanooga - TBA with Ed Baggott and Elsie Peterson

In Atlanta they dance on Fridays and Tuesdays - see <http://contradance.org>

In Knoxville they dance every Monday - see <http://www.kornet.org/kcd/>

In Memphis they dance 1st and 3rd Fridays - see <http://hometown.aol.com/horselovers/index.html>

To get your dances on the schedule, e-mail us with the particulars by the 20th of the month. - Doug & Bryan

Other Dance Events of Note

What the Hey? April 30 - May 2 Atlanta see <http://www.dancerhapsody.com/WhatTheHey/index.cfm>

Our own 2004 Blue Moon Weekend is May 21-23 at the UAH University center.