

# Newsletter of the North Alabama Country Dance Society

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Group Affiliate, Country Dance & Song Society

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## May 7<sup>th</sup>:

## Jane Ewing with Cattywampas

A band from Atlanta, **Cattywampas** is comprised of **Tim Cape** on fiddle, and **Scott Russell** on guitar. A caller from Grant, **Jane Ewing** is comprised of **Jane Ewing** on dances-with-attitude.

## May 20-22:

## Once in a Blue Moon Two-Aught-Aught-Five

Please Note! If you wait to register after May 7, you'll pay an additional \$10! Plan your budget accordingly!

Calling by **David Kaynor** and **Cis Hinkle**

Music by **David Kaynor, Naomi Morse & Elvie Miller** also **Ed Baggott & Elsie Peterson**

Plus Workshops, a Picnic, a Jam Session, a Party, Waltzes and More Dancing Than You Can Handle!

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!

## Blue Moon 2005

Our 2005 dance weekend is just two weeks away! We'll have a final preparation / coordination meeting at McAllister's Deli on Whitesburg (catty-corner from Faith Pres.) at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, May 4th. Come at 6:00 to eat first if desired.

## NACDS Officer Nominations

Here is the proposed slate of officers at press time:

President	Mark Mohon
President-Elect	<i>Open</i>
Secretary	Shelly Vann
Treasurer	Bryan Walls
Producer	Doug Roth
Property Custodian	Steve Nix
Newsletter Editor	Linda McAllister
Membership	Beth Riggs

We'll vote at our annual meeting which is this Saturday during the dance.

## Improve your dance skillz!

On May 14, our friends in the Birmingham group will present "Contradance 101 -- A workshop for beginners, new dancers and experienced dancers who want to brush up on their moves or help the new dancers. It'll be taught by the Congenial Janet Shepherd from Atlanta with music by our own Unplugged band. 4-6 at the YWCA, \$4."

## Our Dance Floor

Last month we were all informed about the concern that has been voiced for our floor at the gym. I am not certain if it is any comfort but we are not the only ones in this boat. For those of us in attendance at "What The Hey" this past weekend we were greeted with signs about what shoes to wear and not wear along with sticky mats on which to wipe our feet. The floor was also dusted several times a day. However, there were still dancers on the floor with improper shoes.

In my travels I have seen shoe police present at gym doors where they had to inspect every pair of shoes going on the floor - let's not force ourselves to go to this extreme.

Please be aware of what our shoes can do to the wood floors! Have proper shoes for dancing. If you prefer not to buy "Special" dance shoes wear tennis or bowling shoes. Ladies - high heels are a NO-NO.

Let's dance & have fun.....

-- Jane Ewing

## Yahoo Group Reminder

To find out about dance gypsy opportunities and discuss dance related issues, join our yahoo group at:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/NACDScontraCommunity/>

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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## Calendar

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

**May 4 (Wed.) NACDS - Weekend Prep Meeting - McAllister's Deli - 6pm eating - 6:30 meeting**

May 6 (Fri.) Nashville - Barb Kirchner with Plaidgrass

NCD dances almost every Friday at the Woodbine Community Center, Burbank & Oriol, 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 7 (Sat.) NACDS - Jane Ewing with Cattywampas - Tim Cape and Scott Russell**

May 13 (Fri.) Nashville - John Sharlet with Jim & Inge Wood, Matt Combs & Tabitha Mowen

May 14 (Sat.) Chattanooga - Jane Ewing with Humble String Band (Brasstown) <- *Huntsville caller*

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 (Sat.) B'ham FoOTMaD - Janet Shepherd with Wolves A'Howling <- *Huntsville band*

-> Contradance 101 - a workshop for all who will - Janet Shepherd with Unplugged Band 4-6PM \$4 <-

FoOTMaD dances 2nd Saturdays at the YWCA, 3rd Ave. & 23rd St. in Birmingham. 7:30 - \$8.

May 20 (Fri.) Nashville - Chrissy Davis-Camp with Nashville Weather

May 20 (Fri.) Sewanee - Janet Shepherd with Cross Town Traffic

This Misty Mountain Dance starts at 8 in the Legion Hall in Sewanee TN. Call 931 598-0814 for more info.

**May 20-22 NACDS - Blue Moon 2005! David Kaynor Cis Hinkle Naomi Morse Elvie Miller**

May 27 (Fri.) Nashville - Susan Kevra with Russ Barenberg and James & Rachel Bryan

May 28 (Sat.) Nashville - Benefit Dance - Local callers & bands - potluck, elections & dancing

May 28 (Sat.) Chattanooga - TBA with Grey Mountain (Nashville)

**June 4 (Sat.) NACDS - Harry Delugach with Ed Baggott & Elsie Peterson**

June 11 (Sat.) B'ham FoOTMaD - Vicki Herndon with Curley Fries and the Idaho Boisies

**June 18 (Sat.) NACDS - Doug Singleton with Smoke and Mirrors**

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 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. - Doug & Bryan*

### Other Dance Events of Note

Ed & Elsie are playing at the River Falls Dance in Greenville, SC on May 7th if you're in the vicinity.

Chattanooga's dance weekend is called Chattaboogie - Sept. 23-25

See: <http://chattaboogie.com/> for more info.