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President's Message, North

It doesn't seem possible that we are already coming to the end of another year! We are finishing off a great year with our Treasurer's Ball in Sonoma on Decembe 5th. I will be there shortly after 11 a.m. to conduct a Board Meeting, followed by the General Assembly Meeting.

The President's Ball last month is a special event that is always a must attend on my list, even though there is no room at the Inn and we have to sleep in the Fresno Van. This group of volunteers deserve our support with their activities. Also, we need to start thinking about supporting the Federation by serving as an officer. Dolly Barnes will be asking about this isue shortly. Our Beginners Festival in March is shaping up to be a good one again.

I cannot thank enough the nice people who have helped me get through the year by taking on activities in their areas and doing what they could to keep our Federation going. I am looking forward to a super duper year for our Federation, and my best wishes to you all for a healthy and happy holiday season. Ho, Ho, Off we go!

Fran Ajoian, President

President's Message, South

I lay awake last night pondering the richness that folk dance has added to my life. I danced four to seven nights a week for many years. The Intersection, Cole Avenue Rec. Center, Gypsy Camp, Webster Jr. High Israeli class, UCLA International Student Center, Westwood Co-op, and the Hollywood Peasants filled my cup in the 70s. Scottish dance added to my dance pleasure in the 80s. When the turn of the century comes, I hope to look back on the 90s as years of widened dance horizons.

As I lay abed, visions of wonderful dance experiences abroad appeared like sugar plums dancing. Whirling around with the local Hambo champion in Stockholm, practicing Gamel Shottis with an engineer in Oslo, learning the Birds Dance in Peru. The smiles and caresses in so many places where the local people were so pleased that an American tourist knew their dances. These memories are my treasures, but one stands out like the star at the top of my Christmas tree.

I wandered through a park at dawn, somewhere in China, observing various groups and individuals doing T'ai Chi, ribbon dances, or sword practice. As the sun peeked over the horizon, I felt moved to step into the embrace of a clump of bushes where I greeted the day with the silent devotion of Sapri Tama.

As we dance the dances of the world, we dedicate ourselves to the world community. We are the caretakers of the smiles and caresses of "the local people." Let us hope that the New Year will begin an era in which people will respect the differences in their various cultures just as we enjoy and appreciate the different dances of our international folk dance world. OPA!

Eunice Udelf, President

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The following three pages contain the 1993 Teachers Dance List. Below is the participation:

Number of teachers	89
Teachers responsible for a class	76
Teachers responding	54
Classes represented	88
Dancers represented	2294

The number after each dance on the list is the percentage of dancers on those lists submitted who do the dance. We hope you will find this dance list useful in preparing programs of area-wide interest. It is also helpful to know what others are doing when selecting dances to teach.

This list is presented by the Teachers Committee - Hadi Babazadeh, Elsa Bacher, Ruth Ruling, Bill Wenzel, Bruce Wyckoff, and Bob Young. The computer work was done by Bob Young and Larry Miller.

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BEGINNING DANCES

BEGINNING DANCES				*/	Develop
	7.	Country		%	Country
NON-PARTNER:			NON-PARTNER (cont'd):		Canada
Adjon az Isten	24	Hungary	Tsámikos	46	Greece
Ajde Jano	39	Serbia	Tzadik Katamar	70	Israel
Alunelul	84	Romania	Vranjanka	39	Serbia
Alunelul de la Urzica	25	Romania	Vrapcheto	71	Bulgaria
Arap	36	Bulgaria/Macedonia	Zemer Atik	37	Israel
Armenian Misirlou	27	Armenia			
At Va'ani	59	lsrael	COUPLE:		
Biserka-Bojerka	56	Serbia	Alexandrovska	32	Russia
Bufcansko	29	Macedonia	Bal de Jugon	22	France
Coček	24	Yugoslavia	Blue Pacific Waltz	29	U.S.A.
Dhivaratikos	45	Greece	Castle Schottische	38	U.S.A.
Erev Ba II	49	Israel	Corrido	38	Mexico
Ersko Kolo	53	Serbia	Cotton Eyed Joe	36	U.S.A.
Guhnega	19	Armenia	Couple Hasapiko	33	Greece
Ha'shual	31	Israel	Knödel drahner	21	Tirol
Hiotikos	25	Greece	Körcsárdás	30	Hungary
Hora sare	27	Romania	Milondita Tango	27	U.S.A./Argentina
Ivanice	47	Macedonia	Miss Frenchy Brown	23	U.S.A.
Jovano Jovanke	33	Macedonia	Road to the Isles	51	Scotland
Karagouna	52	Greece	Salty Dog Rag	65	U.S.A.
Kleistós (Graziosi)	19	Greece	Scandinavian Polka	29	U.S.A./Norway
Körtánc	29	Hungary	Square Tango	24	England
Kostursko Oro	45	Macedonia	St. Bernard Waltz	25	Scotland
Le Maître de Maison	34	France			
Constant Academic and Academic and Academica	62	Macedonia	MIXERS:		
Lesnoto	66	Israel	Allemannsmarsj	38	Norway
Ma Na'avu	22	Serbia	Apat-Apat	24	Philippines
Makazice	28	Macedonia	Bal in da Straat	36	U.S.A./Belgium
Makedonka	38		Circle Schottische	31	U.S.A./Sweden
Mari Mariiko	38 57	Bulgaria Israel	Das Fenster	27	Germany
Mayim			Doudlebska Polka	61	Czechoslovakia
Milanovo Kolo	27	Serbia	Kohanotchka	39	Russia
Misirlou	75	Greece	Korobushka	67	Russia
Nebesko Kolo	22	Serbia	La Bastringue	73	French Canada
Neda Grivne	19	Serbia	Little Man in a Fix	36	Denmark
Never on Sunday	53	U.S.A./Greece	Niguno Shel Yossi	26	Israel
Novoselsko Horo	38	Bulgaria	Numero Cinco	20	U.S.A.
Pinosavka	32	Serbia	Oklahoma Mixer	35	U.S.A.
Plataniótiko Neró	21	Greece		33	England/U.S.A.
Pleskavac	21	Serbia	Oslo Waltz	46	Austria
Pravo Horo	47	Bulgaria	St. Gilgen Figurentanz	40 62	Sweden
Promoroaca	27	Romania	Swedish-Finn Mixer		
Ridée (Bannielou Lambacl)	37	France	Talgoxen	47	Finland
Robin Ddiog	20	Wales	Tango Poquito	39	U.S.A./Argentina
Sadi Moma	19	Bulgaria	Tex-Mex Mixer	21	U.S.A.
Savila Se Bela Loza	55	Serbia	Ve'David	48	Israel
Seljancica	20	Croatia			
Setnja	83	Serbia	SETS:		Cashland
Sham Hareh Golan	33	Israel	Cumberland Reel	24	Scotland
Sulam Ya'akov (Jacob's Ladder)	63	Israel	Cumberland Square	21	England
Sweet Girl	59	Armenia	D'Hammerschmiedsg'selln	29	Germany
Syrt6s	63	Greece	Grand Square	35	U.S.A.
Tropanka (Moskoff)	24	Bulgaria			
Trugnala Rumjana	46	Bulgaria	TRIOS:		Dunel
			Troika	25	Russia
			Western Trio Mixer	30	U.S.A.

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INTERMEDIATE DANCES

	7	Country		Z	0
NON-PARTNER:	a	obunci y	COUPLE (Cont'd,)	6	Country
Abdala	15	Bulgaria	El Shotis Viejo	18	Mexico
Alí Paşa	53	Turkey	Folsom Prison Blues	16	U.S.A.
Assoulis	24	Armenia	Sypsy Wine	16	U.S.A.
Bapardess Leyad Hashoket	28	Israel	Hava Nagilla	20	Israel
Bavno Dro (Boxell)	46	Macedonia	Japanese Soft Shoe	35	U.S.A.
Baztan-Dantza	22	Spain	La Cachucha	20	
Bela Rada	30	Serbia	Lepa Anka Kolo Vodi	30	Early California
Belasičko	49	Macedonia	Lights of Vienna		Croatia
Čerešničky	32	Czechoslovakia	Livavteenee	18	U.S.A.
Ciuleandra	53	Romania		17	Israel
Dospatsko Horo	37	Bulgaria	Lucky (Mr. Lucky)	18	U.S.A.
Drmeš iz Zdenčina	24	Croatia	Maple Leaf Rag Marklaender	39	U.S.A.
Eleno Mome	28	Bulgaria	narkiaender Na'ama	27	Germany
Gerakina	25	Greece		17	Israel
Gocino Kolo	26	Serbia	Siamsa Beirte Šírto	19	Ireland
Godečki Čačak	44	Serbia		24	Bulgaria
Harmonica			Skater's Tango	16	U.S.A.
	15	Israel	Somewhere My Love	20	U.S.A.
Haroa Haktana	23	Israel	Ta'am Haman	15	Israel
Hasápikos (slow)	52	Greece	Tsiganochka	30	Russia
Hora Agadati	29	Israel	Vo Sadu	15	Russia
Hora Fetelor	38	Romania	Vossarul	27	Norway
Hora lautareasca de la Mitreni	15	Romania	Vrtielka	29	Slovakia
Horehronsky Chardas	40	Slovakia	Zillertaler Laendler	24	Austria
Ikariotikos	25	Greece	Zwiefacher	24	Bavaria
Imate Li Vino	31	Macedonia			
Iste Hendek	19	Turkey	SETS:		
Joc de leagane	47	Romania	Bare Necessities	17	England
Karamfil	67	Bulgaria	Belle of Bon Accord	16	Scotland
Kriči, Kriči, Tiček	19	Croatia	Double Sixsome	29	Scotland
Lech Lamidbar	30	Israel	Dundee Whaler	23	Scotland
Moravac/U Sest	19	Serbia	Elizabeth Quadrille	29	U.S.A.
Opsaj Diri	20	Croatia	Garry Strathspey	20	Scotland
Orijent	44	Serbia	Italian Quadrille	19	U.S.A./Italy
Pajduško Horo	38	Bulgaria	J. B. Milne	19	Scotland
Panagjursko Horo	16	Bulgaria	Levi Jackson Rag	35	England
Prekid Kolo	33	Serbia	Mairi's Wedding	28	Scotland
Ravno Oro	30	Macedonia	Postie's Jig	40	Scotland
Rumelaj	41	Turkey	Prince William	15	England
Sandansko Oro	20	Bulgaria	Rothesay Rant	16	Scotland
Sestorka	18	Bulgaria	Sauerlaender Quadrille	16	
Shiri Li Kineret	35	Israel	Shiftin' Bobbins	23	Germany
Somogyi Karikazo	26	Hungary	St. John River	23	Scotland
Svekrvino Oro	22	Macedonia	Trip to Bavaria	24 30	Scotland
Jarina de la Abrud	22	Romania	hip to bavaria	20	Scotland
Tino Mori	57	Macedonia	MINEDO.		
Yedid Nefesh	22	Israel	MIXERS: Arnold's Circle	40	F = 1 = 1
Yevarechecha	24	Israel		40	England
refut cencena	24 %	101 001	Margaret's Waltz (by cpl)	25	England
COUPLE:	/=		Teton Mountain Stomp	39	U.S.A.
Ada's Kujawiak No. 1	60	Poland	TOTOO		
Brandiswalzer	18	Switzerland	TRIDS:		I 1
Caballito Blanco	27	Mexico	Three-hand Fling	15	Ireland
Dodi Li	39	Israel			
El Gaucho Tango	29				
er basens rango	21	U.S.A./Argentina			

ADVANCED DANCES

ADVANCED DANCES					
	X.	Country		%	Country
NON-PARTNER:			COUPLE:		
Al Gemali	7	Israel	Békési Páros	14	Hungary
Aluneiul de la Bailești	8	Romania	Bohemian National Polka	23	Bohemia
Balta	9	Romania	Feiar med vals	9	Norway
Bičak	15	Bulgaria	Gammai Polska	11	Sweden
Briul de la Fágáraș	13	Romania	Gammalschottis fr. Lingbo	9	Sweden
Briuletul	8	Romania	Hambo	47	Sweden
Bučiniš	29	Bulgaria	Innherredspols	13	Norway
Čačak	19	Serbia	Kujawiak (Kerchief)	12	Poland
Čekurjankino	14	Bulgaria	Kujawiak No. 3	18	Poland
Četvorka	13	Macedonia	La Encantada Tango	16	U.S.A./Argentina
Četvorno Horo	30	Macedonia	Lipa ma Marýca	22	Italy
Cimpoi	29	Romania	Maxixe	8	U.S.A./Brazil
Dajčovo	18	Bulgaria	Neapolitan Tarantella	10	Italy
Dedo Mili Dedo	19	Macedonia	Palóc Csárdás	9	Hungary
Divčibarsko Kolo	31	Serbia	Pariserpolka	12	Norway
Dobrudžanska Reka	17	Bulgaria	Poniewierany	8	Poland
Floricică Oltenească	23	Romania	Rerospols	21	Norway
Gankino	19	Bulgaria	Santa Rita	13	Mexico
Gjuševska Račenica	19	Bulgaria	Sinderhoning	13	Denmark
Hora de la Chircani	10	Romania	Stabberinglender	19	Norway
Jove Male Mome	35	Bulgaria	Tango Campana	11	U.S.A.
Keshenavo	23	Israel	Viper Tango	11	U.S.A./Argentina
Kjustendilska Račenica	23	Bulgaria			-
Kokiče	11	Bulgaria	SETS:		
Kulsko	26	Bulgaria	Black Mountain Reel	13	Scotland
Mindrele	24	Romania	Bratach Bana	9	Scotland
Oláhos	23	Hungary	Let's Have a Ceilidh	19	Scotland
Ovčepolsko	23	Macedonia	Luckenbooth Brooch	8	Scotland
Pandalas	18	Bulgaria	MacDonald of the Isles	17	Scotland
Pasareiska	19	Bulgaria	Nessie's Reel	10	Scotland
Polomka/Brass Band	20	Serbia	Picking Up Sticks	11	England
Raca	26	Croatia	Polharrow Burn	16	Scotland
Rekansko	9	Macedonia	Rest and Be Thankful	8	Scotland
Rustemul	40	Romania	Thirteen-Fourteen (1314)	12	Scotland
Sîrba Pe Loc	14	Romania	White Heather Jig	13	Scotland
Strumička Petorka	10	Macedonia		and a constant of	
Vlaško (Moreau)	34	Bulgaria			
Vulpița	26	Romania			
			TRIDS		

TRIDS: Dreisteyrer

Austria

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The number listed after each dance represents the percentage of dancers who know the dance. 54 teachers submitted dance lists representing 88 groups and 2294 dancers.

Dance tabulation prepared by Larry Miller and Bob Young

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Argentine Tango

Alberto Toledano and Loreen Arbus were booked out to perform in Argentina, end of July - all of August. They were the first non-Argentines ever to be invited to perform at the oldest and most prestigious tango festival in Argentina, "X^Q Congreso Nacional del Tango". They received a standing ovation, people stood in line to get their autographs, and their appearance was covered by all the local media. And, in another first for non-Argentines, the renowned stars of "Tango Argentino" and "Forever Tango", Gloria and Eduardo, showcased Alberto and Loreen at their club, "La Galeria Del Tango". Additionally, they were featured in several other shows at various clubs in Buenos Aires.

In July, 1993, Alberto and Loreen performed in the Dance Kaleidoscope concert series (now into its 10th year), held at the State Playhouse, in Los Angeles. Every year over 100 companies audition--this year just 26 were chosen. Their performance got a sensational review by Lewis Segal in the Los Angeles Times: "First came deadpan stylists Alberto Toledano and Loreen Arbus in perhaps the most unpredictable drop-dead footwork 'Dance Kaleidoscope' has ever seen."

ALBERTO AND LOREEN WILL TRAVEL TO YOUR AREA.

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For more information regarding performances, workshops, private lessons, the instructional video and/or interviews, please contact Alberto Toledano (818/506-0780). (Spanish . English . French)

For television and movie appearances, please contact their agents Julie McDonald/Riley Day of Joseph Helfond & Rix, Inc. (213/464-7167).

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FOLK DANCE NEWS

Slavonijo - is a performing Kolo Ensemble doing dances and songs from Croatia, Bosnia, and Macedonia. The highlight of their year last year was dancing in the Ethnic Dance Festival in San Francisco. They are looking for people who like to dance and sing to join their performing group. Rehearsals are held on Monday evenings at Slavonic Cultural Center, 60 Onondaga Avenue, San Francisco, from 7:30-9:30 p.m. They currently do 4-5 performances a year. For more information, contact John Daley at 510-841-0934.

Greater East Bay Council - The Concord Folk Dancers will have their party on Sunday, December 5, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., with refreshments at 2:30. Stan Valentine will call squares, and Jean Williams will emcee. Concord Senior Center, 2727 Parkside Circle, Baldwin Park, Concord.

Attention Let's Dance Contributors - Please note on the inside front cover the change made in deadline requirements for submissions to *Let's Dance*. Previously, we requested that news and articles be submitted by the first day of each preceding month. However, with this deadline, copy has been coming in late, and it has been difficult to get the magazine out on time. From now on, copy should be sent to the Federation Office to arrive on the 25th of the month, 2 months preceding the publication month. For example, copy for the March issue should be sent to arrive on the 25th of January. This will give us more time to put the magazine together and get it printed and mailed so you will receive it before the first of each month. Thank you for your cooperation.

Alaska! - Don't miss the boat! Make your plans now to sail through the fabled Inside Passage to Alaska right after the 43rd National Square Dance Convention next June 23-25 in Portland. Imagine the thrill of sailing into pristine Glacier Bay National Park where glaciers plunge into icy blue waters filled with whales, seals, and colorful puffins. Imagine the excitement of setting the hook on an Alaskan King Salmon on a fishing excursion near Ketchikan. There won't ever be a more enjoyable cruise than this ship filled with friendly squares. Since it is the official post-convention cruise for square dancers and their friends, you can expect something special - special events, special mementos, and an especially low price.

For information on how to book, call Cruise Holidays of Oregon at 800-624-7779, 800-633-2732, or 800-848-7120. This cruise is sure to sell out and space is limited on the ship, so book early. Reservations will be made on a strict first-come, first-served basis. A deposit is required, credit cards are accepted, and a payment plan is available. Bon Voyage!

In Memoriam - Folk dancers in the Akron, Ohio area were saddened by the loss of Antoinette M. Vydra (Fenello) long-time dancer and wife of Richard Vydra, Director of the Akron Kolo Club. Mrs. Vydra was born in Akron and was a teacher in the Akron public schools for 18 years, and the Cleveland public schools for 10 years. She will be greatly missed by her family and many friends.

Happy Holidays

From Let's Dance



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Lemonia

Epiros, Greece

Lemonia (leh-mohn-YAH), meaning "little lemon tree" is a very popular melody from Epiros, northwestern Greece. It is usually danced as a simple "Sta Tria", or even as a rhythmically modified "Sta Dhio". The version described here, presented at the 1993 Stockton Folk Dance Camp by Joe Graziosi, is from the repertoire of the dance troupe of the Lykiion Ellinidhon of Athens. As is often the case in Epiros, the "Sta Dhio" or "Poghonisios" is added at the end.

CASSETTES: Joe Graziosi, Stockton Camp Tape, 1993, Side A/6; Greek Dances 1992 #2, Side B/5. 3/4, 4/4 meter

FORMATION: Open circle with hands joined in W-pos or escort hold*.

*Described in Steps and Styling published by the Folk Dance Federation of California, Inc.

Measures	3/4, 4/4 meter PATTERN
3/4 16 meas	INTRODUCTION No action. Leader may take 8 meas introduction and dance Part I once more.
	I. <u>VOCAL</u>
1-3	Facing slightly R of ctr and moving in LOD (CCW), step on R (cts 1-3); step on L across in front of R (cts 1-3); step on R (cts 1-3).
4	Turning to face ctr, step fwd on L in front of R (ct 1); step back onto R (cts 2-3).
5-6	Step on L behind R (cts 1-3); step back onto R (ct 1); turning to face slightly R of ctr, step on L in front of R (cts 2-3).
7-8	Pivoting to face ctr, step on R to R (cts 1-3); step on L beside R (cts 1-3).
	II. INSTRUMENTAL
1-2	Facing ctr, step on R to R (cts 1-3); step on L behind R (ct 1); step on R to R (cts 2-3).
3-4	Step on L in front of R (cts 1-3); touch ball of R in front of L (cts 1-3).
	III. INSTRUMENTAL (VARIATION)
1-2	Repeat Part II, meas 1-2.
3-4	Step on L in front of R (cts 1-3); step on R in front of L (ct 1); step back on L (cts 2-3).
4/4	IV. STA DHIO (or DYO) $4/4$ (or 2/4) meter, counted here as $1,2,3,4 = S,Q,Q$
1	(Begins with meas 2 of Poghonisios) Facing ctr, step on R to R (cts 1-2); step on L across behind R (ct 3); step on R to R (ct 4).
2	Step on L across in front of R (cts 1-2); step on R to R (ct 3); step on L across in front of R (ct 4).
DANCE S	EQUENCE: Part I (3x); II (4x); I (3x); III (4x); I (3x); II (4x); I (3x); IV (4x).

OPA! FOLKLORE STUDIES

by Rae Tauber

JASZBERENY, HUNGARY: A Folk Art Fair in conjuction with the Csango Festival last August brought many of the Csango people from Transylvania. With them came a diverse collection of costumes and costume pieces, wood carvings, unusual older pieces of pottery, beaded necklaces, woven runners and wall hangings. Friday afernoon, this collection was casually arranged near the hotel on the local street. Villagers spoke of difficult economic times and how their children and grandchildren were trying to seek a better life in Mungary. While the ties to their "homeland" remain strong, folk art is diminishing as the older skilled craftsmen pass on and supplies for making the embroidered and beaded pieces are in short supply.

The same appears to be true in Romania. Villagers welcomed us into their homes to show and sell costume pieces from earlier generations. Particularly beautiful were the "sit-upons", the front and back aprons which are worn over an embroidered chemise. At the painted monasteries in the north, women used fences to display their collection of hand-work. It is possible that the immediate connection of people to their folk art will be supplanted by professional costume makers servicing the performing groups. The most significant and characteristic pieces will find their way into the folk art musuems. The group had an excellent lecture/demonstration of costumes at the Deri Museum in Debrecen, Hungary. These pieces had to be brought out of storage, as there is no room to display them.

TAPÉ, HUNGARY. Gypsy musicians lead Csango choral group from church to the local czardas for a goulas party. While we listened to the group in church, the gypsy band waited outside. Although Christian, they do not enter churches other than their own. They played non-stop at the party, with the singers breaking into small groups and recalling their archaic musical heritage in four and six part harmony. The band was in the courtyard and when the huge goulas kettles ran out, the dancing started. There were some really fine local dancers, and many of our group joined in.

BISTRITA, ROMANIA. This group of Romanians gave us a full program; evening performance followed by a party where everyone joined in. In the morning they held a workshop, followed by a light lunch, and an opportunity to buy costumes which had been collected in neighboring villages. We then visited a nearby town, were welcomed into homes to visit (and buy costumes) and as it was St. Mary's Day, also went to church. The dancers are an amateur group with few opportunities to perform these days, so considered our visit an real highlight. Folk Dance Federation of California Dance Research Committee: Joyce Lissant Uggla, Ruth Ruling

Picking Up Sticks

(England)

Originally titled "Picking of Sticks" and published in *The English Dancing Master* (1st Ed. 1650), the title was changed by Cecil Sharp to "Picking Up Sticks," and published in *The Country Dance Book, Part 4* (1916). He used the tune from another dance, "Lavena." Elsie Whiteman of the Benacre Band introduced the tune of "Kitty Magee," which is sometimes played for the third figure of the dance. The dance notes and a summary of the research on this dance are presented in *The Playford Ball, 103 Early English Country Dances*, by Kate Van Winkle Keller and Genevieve Shimer (1990).

MUSIC:Country Dance Tunes, Set VII by Cecil J. Sharp has the tune "Lavena." "Kitty Magee" is in Community
Dances Manual 5 from EFDSS. English Country Dance Tunes by Peter Barnes gives both tunes.

RECORD:CDS-7 "Popular English Country Dances of the 17th and 18th Centuries"Side A/3; Country DanceSeries #3 (45 rpm); Folkraft 1410X45; EFDSS PLA3 Side B/2.6/8 meter

FORMATION: Longways for three couples, facing the head of the hall, inside hands joined.

STEPS and Skip* (2 to a meas): Step (cts 1-2); hop (ct 3); repeat (cts 4-6).

STYLING: Walk* or Run* (2 to a meas): Step on cts 1,4.

Forward a Double and Back: Move fwd with three light springy steps (usually R,L,R) and a close with L (2 meas); move bkwd three steps (L,R,L) and close with R (2 meas). Can also be danced with four steps fwd and four steps back, or with a small, light balance (three quick steps) instead of the last step and close.

<u>Arm R</u>: Ptrs move fwd, hook R elbows and turn once around CW with six light springy steps (meas 1-3). Without changing step or rhythm release arm hold and move back into original position with two more steps (meas 4).

Arm L: Repeat action, but hook L elbow and turn CCW.

<u>Siding</u>: A movement of courtesy keeping eye contact with ptr. Moving in a CCW arc dance Forward a Double, exchanging places with partner (2 meas). Retrace pattern, moving in a CW arc to return to orig pos (2 meas).

<u>Slipping</u>: Move sideward by springing to side on the leading ft (cts 1-2); step on the trailing ft next to the leading ft (ct 3); repeat (cts 4-6).

Steps are light and springy, posture erect, movements flowing. Make eye contact with other dancers whenever possible. Free hands are relaxed at sides.

* Described in Steps and Styling, published by the Folk Dance Federation of California, Inc.

MUSIC		6/8 meter	PATTERN		
Measures					
		INTRODUCTION. No action. Introduction varies with recording.			
	I.	FORWARD A DOUBLE AND	D BACK; DIAGONAL CHANGE.		
1-8		Joining inside hands, all lead Forward a Double and Back. Repeat.			

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- 9-12 M1 change places with middle dancer on the opposite side passing R shldrs (4 running steps), then with the last dancer on his own side (again passing R shldrs with 4 running steps).
- 13-16 Joining inside hands, all lead Forward a Double and Back.
- 17-20 W1 change places with middle dancer on the opposite side passing R shldrs, then with the last dancer on her own side (again passing R shldrs).
- 21-24 Joining inside hands, all lead Forward a Double and Back.
- 25-32 Repeat meas 9-16 with W2, now at the top on M's side, changing places.
- 33-40 Repeat meas 17-24 with M2, now at the top on W's side, changing places.
- 41-48 Repeat meas 9-16 with M3, now at the top on M's side, changing places.
- 49-56 Repeat meas 17-24 with W3, now at the top on W's side, changing places.

II. SIDING; SLIPPING AND SKIPPING.

- 1-8 Siding with ptr twice.
- 9-10 Cpl 1 join both hands and Slip down the ctr four steps between Cpl 2 *while* Cpl 2, facing across the set, Slips up four steps on the outside into Cpl 1's place.
- 11-12 Repeat meas 9-10 with Cpl 2 joining hands and Slipping down the ctr while Cpl 1 Slips up the outside.

13-16 Repeat meas 9-12.

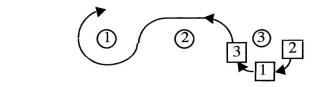
- (9-16) **Meanwhile**, Cpl 3, cross passing R shldrs and skip around the outside of the set, crossing again at the top passing R shldrs, and returning to place.
- 17-24 Repeat meas 9-16 with Cpl 3 beginning by Slipping up the ctr, then down the outside *while* Cpl 2 Slips down the outside, then up the ctr and Cpl 1 skips around the outside of the set.
 - III. ARMING; SHEEPSKIN HEY.
- 1-8 Ptrs Arm R, then Arm L.
- 9-12 W remain in place while M dance the Sheepskin Hey.

M Sheepskin Hey (skipping): M 1, followed by M 2 and 3, dance across top of set and pass behind W 1, between W 1 and 2, in front of W 2 and between W 2 and 3. M 1 and 2, upon reaching W 3 pass CW around her.

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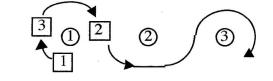
M 3, instead of following M 2, passes CCW completely around W 2 and faces up, thus becoming the leader.



M 3, followed by M 1 and 2, continues weaving to the top, and M 2, who is last in line, instead of following M 1 around W 1, passes CCW around W 2 and faces down, thus becoming the leader.



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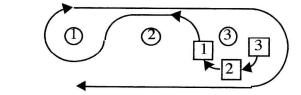
17-20 M 2, followed by M 3 and 1, continues weaving to the bottom, and M 1, who is last in line, instead of following

M 3 around W 2, passes CCW completely around W 2 and faces up, thus becoming the leader.

21-24 M 1, followed by M 2 and 3, continues weaving to the top of the W line.

25-32 M dance CW around W l, dance down the outside of W line, across the bottom of set and up to original places.





33-56 W repeat Sheepskin Hey (mirror image) while M line remains in place.

On final chord acknowledge ptr.

Description written October 1993.

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CALENDAR of EVENTS

Ed Kremers, 155 Turk Street, San Francisco, CA 94102, 415-775-3444

Dec 4 Sat	4	SACRAMENTO	Kolo Koalition party; 916-923-1555
Dec 4 Sat	4		Napa Val. F.D.Party, Schaal Hall, 707-258-0519
Dec 4	4	PENINSULA	Palomanians F.D. Party; 415-333-2210
Sat Dec ! Sun	5	SONOMA	FEDERATION TREASURER'S BALL Veterans Memorial Bldg. 126- 1st St W 1:30 - 5:30; \$5.00 donation. PRIZES
Dec Sun	5	SUNNYVALE	Beginning International Folk Dance Party, Sunnyvale Community Center 408-395-8026, 408-730-7350
Dec Sat	11	PALO ALTO	Los Quadros party, 1st Cong. Church 415-4935033
Dec Sat	11	MENLO PARK	Folk Dance Party at Recreation Center 415–327–0759
Dec Sat	11	SACRAMENTO	Pairs & Spares, Babcock School 916-455-5000
Dec Sat	11	SACRAMENTO	New England Dance, School; 916-481-1974, 916-736-0845
Dec Sat	11	PETALUMA	Folk Dance Party, La Tercera School 707–546–8877
Dec Sat	11	SAN JOSE	Santa Clara Valley Folk Dance Party First Christian Church
	16-19 ,S,S	EAST BAY	"REVELS" benefit programs, pre- Christmas celebrations. 510-526-3575, 510-841-6628
Dec. Fri	17	SAN FRANCISCO	Changs Annual Christmas Party 415-661-9426
Dec Sat	18	SACRAMENTO	BBKM (Balkan) Party; 916-923-1555, 916-482-2491
Dec Sat	18	SUNNYVALE	Scandinavian FD Party, Masonic Temple 415-323-2226
Dec Sat	18	PENINSULA	Council Folk Dance Party 408-252-8106
Dec Sat	18	SANTA ROSA	Folk Dance Party, Piner School 707-546-8877
Dec	31	NEW YEAR'EVE PARTIES	Marin's Karlstad Ball 415–388–2170 Peninsula 415–348–7834 Menlo Park 415–327–0759
<u>1994</u> Jan Sat		REDWOOD CITY	PENINSULA FOLK DANCE COUNCIL FESTIVAL honoring our Greek heritage. Veterans Memorial Building. A new wrinkle - judging of costumes.

CALENDAR of EVENTS SOUTH

		30-Jan.2	New Years	8	Israeli Folk Dance
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	Dancing with Joe		Music Society,		1:30-5:30. Glendale
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	Torrance	Year	's Eve Folk Dance		9493.
4	FD Center - San Diego	Part	y, 8:00-1:00am.		
7	Tuesday Gypsies-	Hill	crest Rec. Ctr.	29	Masters of the
	Culver City	1155	N Lemon St.		Banjo at CalTech.
8	Cafe Danssa - West LA	Full	erton. Info:		Info: (818) 395-3700
9	Westwood Co-op) 254-7945.		or 395-4652
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Scandinavian Dance 7pm Beg - Adv Santa Rosa Vets. Bldg 1351 Maple Ave., Santa Rosa Dean Linscott (707) 546-2434

TUESDAY

Santa Rosa Folk Dancers 7-9:30pm Beg - Adv Kawana Ele. School 2121 Moraga Ave., Santa Rosa Elsa Bacher (707) 546-8877

SRJC International 6:30-8:30 Int Santa Rosa Jr. High School 500 E St., Santa Rosa Marilyn Wathen

WEDNESDAY

SRJC Greek/International 6-8pm Greek 8-10pm International Int Hermann Sons' Hall 860 Western Ave., Petaluma Carol Hirsh

Kawana Folk Dancers 7-9pm International/Line Santa Rosa Senior Center 704 Bennett Valley Rd., Santa Rosa Edith Mager (707) 545-2745

THURSDAY

SRJC International/Balkan
5:30-7:30 Beg International
7:30-9:30 Adv Balkan
Santa Rosa Jr. High School
500 E St., Santa Rosa
Marilyn Wathen

Napa Valley Folk Dancers 2-5pm Beg - Int The Meadows 1800 Atrium Prkwy., Napa Marvel De Lonzor (707) 252-4719 SRJC Greek/Balkan 6:45pm Beg Greek 8:30pm Adv Balkan Hermann Sons Hall 860 Western Ave., Petaluma Carol Hirsh

International 7-9pm Beg - Int Sebastopol Vets. Bldg 282 S. High St., Sebastopol Joan Marler-Smith

SRJC Greek 7-9pm Beg Vintage House 264 1st St. E, Sonoma Carol Hirsh

Napa Valley Folk Dancers 7-10pm Beg - Int First Presbyterian Church 1333 3rd St., Napa Charles Emerson (707) 258-0519

Petaluma/Novato International Folk Dancers 8-10:30pm Beg - Adv Lynwood School 1320 Lynwood Dr., Novato Frank Bacher (707) 546-8877

International 7-9pm Beg Odd Fellows Hall First St., Guerneville Morris Dab (707) 869-0285

> SRJC International/Balkan 6:30-8:30 Int 8:30-10pm Adv Vintage House 264 1st St. E, Sonoma Carol Hirsh

FRIDAY

Santa Rosa Country Dance Society Napa Valley Folk Dancers 7pm Early Amer. & English Contras 7pm Early Amer. & EnglishRancho de Napa HopfienousWillowside Middle School GymRancho de Napa Hopfienous6468 Washington St., Yountville707) 258-0519

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SATURDAY

International Folk Dance Parties 8-11:30pm First Sat .: Schaal Hall, Vineburg Second Sat.: Hermann Sons' Hall, 860 Western Ave., Petaluma Third Sat.: Piner Elementary School, 2590 Piner Rd., Santa Rosa

SUMMER

Snap-y Dancers Mondays 7-9:30pm Hermann Sons' Hall 860 Western Ave., Petaluma

Snap-y Dancers Thursdays 7:30pm Vintage House 264 1st St. E, Sonoma

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Every night of the week, all levels, various cities.

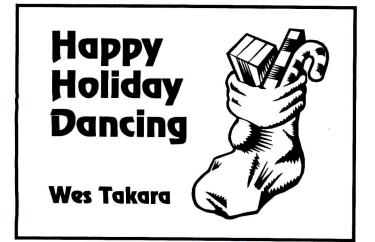
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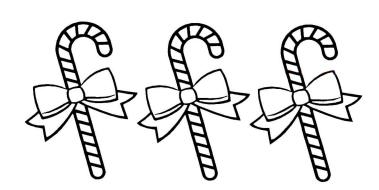
Every night, mostly in clubs and restaurants.

Line Dancing

Various times and locations. (Means no-partner popular dance routines, not Balkan folk dancing.)

Beg = beginner; Int = intermediate; Adv = advanced; SRJC = Santa Rosa Jr. College Prepared by Frank and Elsa Bacher, Redwood Council of Folk Dance Clubs





Treasurer's Ball

Veterans Memorial Bldg. 126 1st Street West Sonoma, CA December 5, 1993 1:30 - 5:30 p.m. Federation Meeting, 11:45

COME ONE COME ALL!

Donation \$5.00 1st Prize - \$100.00

A Message from the Treasurer

This year has flown by so quickly. I find it hard to believe that plans are again being made for the annual Treasurer's Ball. This year it will be held on December 5th, at the Veterans Building, 126 1st Street, Sonoma. Dancing will be from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. Frank Bacher will provide the usual fine dancing program.

There will be a raffle drawing as before. The Federation has donated \$100, and a folk dancer will give a \$50 cash prize as well. We also have a convection oven to give away - a value of well over \$100! These prizes should provide a great incentive to purchase lots of raffle tickets. There will also be many door prizes as well as homemade cookies and coffee to go along with the fun you will have on that day. Be sure to mark your calendar so that you don't miss this special event. See you ALL on December 5th!

Page Masson, Treasurer





Changs and the First World Dance Congress

by Sam Kermoian

Delegates from around the globe gathered in San Francisco on October 20-24, 1993 for the First World Dance Congress at the call of the Founder and Director, Professor Nontsizi Cayou of San Francisco State University.

The primary goal of the gathering was to further a broad international network and to improve the status of dance as an art form. The discussions and demonstrations were focused on the theme: Urgent Issues in Dance -- Its survival, preservation, and future. The panel discussions and demonstrations and dance concerts with experts and artists from various regions of the world, were all held at the new and beautiful Yerba Buena Center for the Arts.

Welcoming addresses included thoughts from numerous representatives of dance organizations selected for their activities in the field of dance. These representatives were called "custodians of dance" and were invited to enter into any discussions with appropriate ideas. CHANGS INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCERS, INC., as the first club of its kind, was invited to participate as one of the custodians and to make a few comments on the focus of dance survival. Jeanie Kermoian, current President of Changs, prepared and presented the following:

I am here today representing CHANGS INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCERS, INC. We are a club devoted to learning folk dances of all countries around the world. We have been in continual operation for 55 years and received the 1992 Isadora Duncan Award for Sustained Achievement.

According to Grace Perryman Nicholes, our first elected president, our founder Song Chang agreed to the use of his name without the apostrophe. He said the dancers did not belong to him but to the world. I am sure that all of us here today feel that dancing is a wonderful gift to the world.

If we truly believe this, the focus for the future survival of dance must be in education. Dancing, as is true of all the arts, must not be considered a frill to be abandoned when the money gets tight. Education will have to embrace dancing as earnestly as reading and writing, an integral part of every child's curriculum from early childhood--ongoing and continuous through all school years and carrying through adult life. Through dance the child finds a freedom of expression and through that freedom discovers his true self. This often serves as a springboard for success in other areas.

After retirement many senior citizens return to interests that were kindled early in life. I do not know any who do arithmetic for fun but I do know many who dance for pleasure and selffulfillment in their personal lives. The aged Hawaiian women say that when they are too old to stand on their feet they can still

dance with their arms and hands.

Dance should accompany us through life's journey.



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Statewide 1994 - International Mayfest

Mark you calendar! Make your plans! The time and place for Statewide have been set. In 1994 Statewide will be held on the campus of the College of Notre Dame in Belmont, Memorial Day Weekend, May 27, 28, 29, and 30, 1994. The theme -- International Mayfest.

Centered on the magnificent Ralston Hall, the College of Notre Dame is 85 acres of secluded countryside in Canada del Diablo, half way between San Francisco and San Jose. Originally built in 1850 as a country villa, it was acquired by energetic Bank of California founder William Chapman Ralston and his wife Lizzie Fry in 1864. They expanded the villa to its present design, an imposing four stories, 55,000 square feet, and 81 rooms, plus a dairy and stable. In spite of its size, Mary Ellen Bolying, the present curator, insists that the house "has the feeling of a home...You will hear people say it is haunted," she continued, "I say it has many benign presences ... I never feel afraid."

Lost to the family after Ralston's death, the property was purchased for a college in 1922 by the San Jose-based Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur. It has been declared a Registered National Historic Landmark and a California State Historical Landmark.

Plans for 1994 include an institute (teachers are still being confirmed), a concert, picnic, dancing in two rooms, and (of course) after parties. In addition, the Duquesne University Tamburitzans will be in concert Thursday, May 26, 1994, the day before Statewide begins, in the nearby community of Mountain View.

Plan to join us at this extraordinary location for Statewide 1994! And watch for more information in upcoming issues of *Let's Dance*.