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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The new year is slowly slipping away and here it is March, 2003. Can you believe it? This month we are honoring Sacramento's Camellia Festival. In years past it has been a very fine pageant and dance. I expect it to be the same this year. I know that Bruce Mitchell is planning the concert program and I am sure that he will be doing a great job. Along with that we will have the Federation Assembly Meeting which will be held early on Sunday morning. Please plan to attend because this is where we accept the nominations for our new Federation officers. We need your club representatives to be present to help with this procedure.

Also, please note: For those of you sending in applications in for **Stockton Folk Dance** Camp, they are due by the **15th** of this month. Please see page 12 of this issue for the application form.

I want to thank those of you who are prompt in sending in your council information to the Editor for the Council Clips section. We have recently gained information from some new clubs. We would like to see more of this information submitted. It's interesting to know what's going on in other clubs that some of us don't attend. Thanks for your help.

As of this printing I am not aware of a nominee for Vice President for the upcoming year. I am hoping that by the 16th of February that we will have that information available along with nominations for the President and Treasurer positions.

May is coming up and you'll notice that there is some information in this issue regarding Statewide 2003. Nadine and I are looking forward to attending this function. It sounds like it's going to be a real hoot with all the planning going on by those in charge.

Nadine and I have had difficulties with our local post office regarding the sorting and mailing procedures for Let's Dance Magazine. For the past five months we have tried diligently to follow the instructions provided by the post office, spending hours at our home labeling, separating, sorting by ZIP code, etc., taking the magazines to the post office, only to be informed each time that it was done incorrectly. Therefore, the decision was made that after spending two hours at home labeling and sorting, and another two hours at the post office redoing everything for each issue, it was not worth the effort that we were putting into doing this job. A mailing house in North Sacramento is now handling this for approximately one-third of the price charged by the former mailing house. This company uses a bar code on the label which should help speed up the mailing/delivery part of things. This change took effect with February's issue.

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March CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Send <u>future</u> upcoming events information to Nadine Mitchell, 1941 Danvers Way, Sacramento, California 95832-1226, (916) 665-1558,

e-mail: ggmnadine@cs.com

Deadline for April 2003 issue is February 5, 2003

Note: Information must be received by the above date or it will not be published.

March 8 & 9, 2003

*Camellia Festival. CSUS, Sacramento CA. (Second weekend in March).

See further information in this issue.

April 6, 2003

Cherry Blossom Festival. Sonoma, CA.

Date Unknown

*Blossom Festival, San Francisco.

May 23-26 2003

*Statewide Memorial Day Weekend. "A Village Faire." Pasadena, CA.

(See article in this issue).

June 8, 2003

Rose Festival. Santa Rosa, CA.

July 3 - 14, 2003

FOLKLORE AND HERITAGE TOUR IN SLOVAKIA. Dance classes, Vycholna and Detva Folk Festivals, meetings with village groups, folk concert, museums, historical sites. Transport from Vienna (Schwechat) or Bratislava airports, air-conditioned bus, full board, hotel accommodations.

Slovak Director: Pavol Pitonak, 3art@3art.sk; www.3art.sk/folktrip.htm. USA Coordinator/Contact: Vonnie Brown, 1717 Applewood Road, Baton Rouge, LA 70808; vrbfolk@prodigy.net; Tel./FAX: (225) 766-8750.

August 17, 2003

Little Festival of the Redwoods. Guerneville, CA.

*FEDERATION EVENTS

Redwood Council

Napa Valley Folk Dancers Party. Grandview Mobilehome Park Clubhouse, 4130 Byway East, Napa, 94558. Classes every Tuesday, 10:30 AM-12:00 Noon. Advanced: Thursdays, 10:30 AM-12:00 Noon. Beginners: Friday, 10:30 AM-12:30 PM. Women's Group. Party: Every 4th Saturday, 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM.

Every Wednesday Except Feb. 19 & 26 Novato Folk Dancers. Lynwood School, 1320 Lynwood Drive, Novato, CA. 94947. Time: 8:00-10:00 PM. Contact 415-892-9405.

March 15, 2003

Petaluma International Folk Dancers Party. Hermann Sons Hall, 860 Western Avenue, Petaluma, CA. 7:45 PM - ? PM. Phone Contact:

707-546-8877.

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Redwood Council (Continued)

Every Wednesday Santa Rosa Folk Dancers. 1:45-3:45 PM, Willowside Hall, 5299 Hall Rd.,

Santa Rosa, CA. Contact Frank and Elsa, 707-546-8877. Party: March 19.

Changs International Folk Dancers, Inc. Meets the first four Fridays of San Francisco Council

each month at the Social Hall, 7th Avenue Presbyterian Church, 1329 7th

Avenue, San Francisco. Contact Sidney Messer, 415-332-1020.

First Two Fridays of each month. Teaching: 8:00-9:30 PM. Teacher: 2003

Craig Blackstone. General Dancing: 9:30-10:30 PM.

2003 Third Friday of each month. Party Night: 8:00-11:00 PM. Refreshments

and General Dancing.

Fourth Friday of each month. General Dancing: 8:00-11:00 PM.

Mandala Folk Dance Center. Meets every Thursday at St. Paul's Church Hall, 43rd & Judah, San Francisco, 7:30-8:15 PM. Request dancing, 8:15-9:00 PM. Intermediate teaching from 9:00 - 9:45 PM. Request dancing from 9:45-11:00 PM. First and last Thursdays are always Party Nights. Contact Edith or Paul at 415-648-8489.

Peninsula Council

March 1, 2003 Peninsula Council Party. St. Bede's Church, 2650 Sand Hill

Road at Monte Rosa, Menlo Park. Contact Marcel Vinokur at

415-327-0759.

March 14, 2003 Santa Clara Valley Folk Dancers. First Christian Church, 80

South 5th Street, San Jose, CA. Contact Maxine Burnham,

408-839-0500.

March 22, 2003 Menlo Park FD. Menlo Park Rec. Bldg., 700 Alma at Mielke Streets.

Menlo Park, CA. Contact Marcel Vinokur, 415-327-0759.

March 29, 2003 Peninsula Council Party. Community United Church, Elm at

Arroyo Streets, San Carlos. Contact Al Lisin, 408-252-8106, or

Bruce Wyckoff at 415-368-7834.

Sacramento Council

Selective Saturdays

2003

Balliamo! Sierra Two Community Center, 24th St. and 4th Ave.

Contact Doris Beckert, 916-482-8674.

Selective Saturdays

2003

El Dorado Scandinavian Dancers. 3100 Ponderosa Road, Shingle Springs, CA. 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM. Workshop: 7:00 PM -

11:00 PM. Party (live music). Contact Marida Martin at

530-672-2926.

First Saturdays

2003

Reno Folk Dancers. Studio 214, 214 California Avenue,

Reno, Nevada. Contact Penney Ohnstad at 775-358-6762.

Kolo Koalition. Balkan Party: 8:00 PM - ? YLI Hall, 27th March 1, 2003

& N Streets. Contact Laura Leonelli at 916-739-6014.

Sacramento Council (Continued)

BBKM. YLI, 27th & N Streets. Meets 3rd Saturday of the month, 8:00 PM -? March 15, 2003

Contact Barbara Bevan, 916-923-1555.

March 29, 2003 First & Last Dancers Party. Valley Oaks Grange, 5th & D Streets, Galt.

8:00 PM to Midnight. Theme: "Mardi Gras." Contact Eda Scheuffele at

916-682-2638.

Third Saturdays

2003

Sacramento Cape Breton Step Dancers. St. Francis School Lunchroom,

2500 K St. Classes first Sunday of the month & third Saturday. Contact

Bob Schuldheisz, 209-745-9063.

Royal Scottish Country Dance Society. YLI Hall, 27th & N Sts. Contact 2003

Cherilyn Larsen, 916-429-9170.

2003 Nevada County Folk Dancers. Methodist Church, 433 Broad St., Nevada

City, CA. Selected Fridays. Call for dates. Contact David Unterman,

530-272-2149.

Berkeley Folk Dancers All classes are held at Hillside Montessori School, 1581 Leroy Ave.,

Berkeley, CA 7:45-9:45 PM. Contact Naomi Lidicker, 510-524-2871.

March 15 Berkeley Folk Dancers Fun Night. 7:30 PM - 10:45 PM.

Contact Claire or Al George at 510-841-1205.

Club Weekly Class Schedules

2nd year Mondays Claire & Al George, 510-841-1205 **Tuesdays** Beginners Lone Coleman & Mark Anderson 4th year 3rd year Wednesdays Louise & Bill Lidicker, 510-528-9168 **Thursdays** Henry Koopmann; Yaqi Zhang.

510-525-1865

7:45-10:30 PM Contact Ed Malmstrom, Saturday Requests 510-525-3030

Fresno Folk Dance Council

March 29, 2003

Fifth Saturday Party and Dance. Lafayette Social Hall. 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM.

Finger foods and a donation of \$3.00 are requested.

Where to Dance in Fresno

Tuesdays

Fresno Danish Dancers. Clovis Senior Center. 6:30-9:00 PM. Contact Wilma

Anderson, 559-292-3176.

Central Valley-CAFY. Lafayette Center. Preston Street, West of Blackstone.

Contact Fran Ajoian, 559-255-4508.

Wednesdays

McTeggert Irish Dancers. Beginners: 5:30-6:30 PM. Intermediate and

Advanced: 7:00-8:00 PM. Contact Maureen Hall, 559-271-5200.

Saturdays

Fresno International Folk Dancers. Pinedale Senior Center: Contact Kent

Peterson, 559-226-5010.

Modesto Folk Dancers & Village Dancers of Modesto

Every Wed. Night

Modesto Folk Dancers. Group meets at The Modesto Court Room, 2012

McHenry Blvd., Modesto. Cost: \$3 per person. Contacts: Floyd Davis and

Barbara Summers. Phone: 209-847-4439.

Every Fri. Night

Village Dancers of Modesto. Group meets at The Modesto Court Room, 2012 McHenry Blvd., Modesto. Cost: \$3 per person. Contacts: Don and Judy Kropp; Floyd Davis and Barbara Summers. Phone: 209-847-4439.

For information on other Federation activities call 510-558-6862.

CANCELLATION OF FOLK DANCE TEACHER TRAINING SEMINAR LAS VEGAS

Dick Killian of the Ethnic Express in Las Vegas has informed us that due to knee surgery of one of the instructors, Dick Oakes, it was necessary to cancel this event.

HERITAGE FESTIVAL San Carlos, January 10 & 11, 2003

The year 2003 marked the seventh trip to the Heritage Festival for our band of Mother Lode folk dancers. We've always had a great time and are drawn by the interesting dance party programs (and the area's fine restaurants). While most of us concentrated on learning and dancing, Al and Teddy Wolterbeek made the three-hour drive out of the foothills to teach Swedish dances at the Saturday institute. Suzanne-Rocca-Butler rounded out the afternoon with Turkish and Bulgarian dances.

Teaching at the institutes has always been first-rate and exhibitions have been entertaining. This year we were wowed by the Solvang Village Dancers, directed by David Heald. The four dancers were outstanding. Their performance lasted a perfect 15 minutes and after the applause died down, we were all back to doing what we enjoy most.....dancing!

Whatever heritage is celebrated next year in San Carlos, you can be sure it will be celebrated with pure pleasure. And as Al Lisin recommended, you can always bring a friend. **Dale Martin**

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Press Release

Contact: Bob Schuldheisz

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Email: bobschul@softcom.net

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

80 YEARS OF DANCING TRADITIONS

The Royal Scottish Country Dance Society – Sacramento Branch is celebrating 80 years of dancing traditions with a Workshop & Ball on Saturday March 29, 2003 at St Francis School 2500 K Street in Sacramento. Workshop teachers are Marian Stroh and Carolyn Hunt. The workshops run from 10:00-11:30 and 1-2:30. A review of the Ball dances start at 3:00 and end at 5:00. The Formal Scottish Ball is from 7:30 – midnight and is followed by a midnight buffet. Music at the Ball will be provided by Thistle Glen. The complete package is \$40 (\$45 after March 15) (Students \$25). Workshops only \$20. Ball & Buffet \$30. Spectators Buffet \$10. For more information, contact Ball Chair: Bob Schuldheisz at 209-745-9063 bobschul@softcom.net or Ball Co-Chair: E.B. Van Otterloo at 209-938-0708 ebanott@diamondofcalifornia.com or our website: www.recds-sacramento.org.

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The Sacramento International Folk Dance and Arts Council presents:

Camellia International Dance Festival



Concert, Workshops, and Party

California State University, Sacramento
All Events will be held in the CSUS Student Union Ballroom
Convenient parking is free in lots #4 and #7.

Saturday Workshops, March 8

Israeli dances taught by Loui Tucker
1: 00 - 2:45 P.M. \$5.00
Partner dances taught by Teddy and Al Wolterbeek
3:15 to 5:00 P.M. \$5.00

Saturday Evening Party

7:30 - 11:00 P.M. \$5.00

Sunday Concert, March 9

\$5.00 CSUS students and children under 18 free 1:00 - 3:00 PM Followed by easy general dancing until 5:00 P.M.

For information call Vick at 916 921-0955
Call or email Vick for maps or list of hotels: ecvickland@msn.com

Camellia Fun

The final touches are being put on this year's **Camellia International Dance Festival.** We are excited about our Institute teachers. Al and Teddy just celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary and most of those years they were teaching dancing! We are expecting them to teach us some "Golden Oldies". And Loui is a master of Israeli dances. So, we expect some real jewels to be taught on Saturday afternoon. We are holding the price at \$5.00 for each Institute, and a one-dollar charge for each syllabus.

The **Saturday Party** will be starting at **7:30 P.M.** There will be two reviews by each teacher at some time during the party, but not right at the very beginning. Barbara Bevan and Toba Goddard are planning a fun 50/50 (partner and non-partner) program of dances for the Saturday party.

All events will be in the Ballroom of the Student Union at the CSUS campus, as they were last year. Some fast food will be available throughout the day from vendors in the Student Union. We will have lists of the many restaurants located near the University for your evening dining pleasure.

Bruce Mitchell is in charge of the concert this year and is busy lining up a super program. We are looking forward to seeing all our friends, old and new.

DIRECTIONS TO CSUS CAMPUS

Eastbound 50

Exit at Power Inn Rd/Howe Ave.

North (left) on Howe. Cross over freeway overpass.

Left at College Town Drive (first signal).

Right at State University Drive East.

Look for Parking lot #4 sign on the left. It is right behind the Union Building.

Westbound 50

Exit at Howe Ave. (north). Straight ahead on College Town Drive at stop signal. Right at State University Drive East.

Look for Parking lot #4 sign on the left. It is right behind the Union Building.

Business 80

Exit at J Street toward east. Look for signs on the left soon after you go under a railroad bridge.

Make a right turn at stop signal in front of Campus. CSUS is at 6000 J Street (about 4 miles).

Turn left onto State Univ. Drive East. Look for Parking lot #4 sign on the right. It is right behind the Union Building.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM FOR STOCKTON FOLK DANCE CAMP FOLK DANCE FEDERATION OF CALIFORNIA, INC.

CANDIDATE REQUIREMENTS

- 1. An individual is eligible for only one Federation scholarship in a lifetime.
- 2. A candidate must be a Federation Associate Member and dancing with a Federation club. Also acceptable is a student who is dancing with a dance group.
- 3. A candidate 17 years or younger must have a parent or guardian sign the release at the bottom.
- 4. Applications must be received by March 15.
- 5. Personal interviews are at the discretion of the Committee.
- 6. After attending Camp, the scholarship recipient will be asked to submit to the Scholarship Committee an evaluation of his/her experience. Also the recipient may be asked to assist at some Federation activities in the future.

Scholarships pay the tuition portion of the registration fee for one week at the Stockton Folk Dance Camp and are paid to the Stockton Folk Dance Camp.

NAME	PHONE
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Scholarship from the Federation.	SCHOLARSHIP If No, you are not eligible for another ENT AGE IF STUDENT Ident_dance group and school you attend)
FEDERATION CLUB ATTILIATION (II su	dent, dance group and school you attend).
PLAN TO ATTEND CAMP FIRST WEE	K SECOND WEEK
Where have you folk danced and for how long	g?
In what ways have you contributed to any typ	e of dancing, folk or otherwise?
	what ways do you feel you will be able to use your folk dance rience will help you to further the folk dance movement?
As parent or guardian of the student applying caused by attendance at the folk dance camp.	above I release the Federation of any responsibility or liability
Signature of applicant	Date
Use the bac	Date k side for additional comments
Return application to Morris Jerome, 4056 Es	speranza Drive, Sacramento, CA 95864. Phone: 916-482-2491
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COUNCIL CLIPS

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<u>Phone/FAX: 916-665-1588, e-mail: ggmnadine@cs.com</u>

Deadline for April 2003 issue: February 5, 2003

BERKELEY FOLK DANCERS

Spring fever has struck BFD. We have only one event that I know of in March. That's our March Fun Night. If you haven't attended any of our Fun Nights, this is a great one to start with. Our hosts will be the Intermediate Class. The teachers, Al and Claire George, have headed some of our liveliest parties. Come and find out for yourself. Join us at Hillside Montessori School, 1581 Leroy Avenue, Berkeley, from 7:30 PM to 10:30 PM. BFD members will be charged \$5.00 and non-members will be charged \$7.00.

NAOMI LIDICKER

FRESNO FOLK DANCE COUNCIL

On Saturday evening, March 29, 2003, a Fifth Saturday Party and Dance will be held by the Fresno Folk Dance Council from 8:00 PM until 10:00 PM at Lafayette Social Hall. Finger foods and a donation of \$3.00 are requested.

MARY KEHOE

PENINSULA FOLK DANCE COUNCIL

The Peninsula Folk Dance Council sponsored another very successful Heritage Festival. The Folk Dance Federation of California was co-sponsor. Turnout was quite good considering all of the other folk dance related-activities taking place nearby on both Friday and Saturday. The site was, again, Mahany Hall at the Community United Church of Christ in San Carlos.

A Friday night warm-up party hosted by Marcel Vinokur opened the Festival. The hall was decorated with travel posters before the party started. Seventy-five enthusiastic dancers thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

On Saturday afternoon, from 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM, the Federation sponsored an Institute featuring five dances from the 2002 Stockton Folk Dance Camp. Twenty-three dancers attended. Suzanne Rocca-Butler presented two Turkish dances, Duz Halay and Naz Can, and one Bulgarian dance, Signa, all non-partner. Al and Teddy Wolterbeek presented two couple dances from Sweden, Slangpolska fran Enanger and Schottis fran Hammerdal.

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The Saturday evening party's format included six MCs (Greg Mitchell, Al Lisin, Denise Heenan, Bobi Ashley, Arden Pierce and Hank Sturtevant). They kept the program moving. Eighty-five enthusiastic dancers attended. Bruce Wyckoff called a contra. Four members of the Solvang Village Dancers, directed by David Heald, presented 6 lively and very energetic Scandinavian dances.

All the dedicated, hard-working people who made this festival a great success deserve a very big "Thank You." It could not be done without all of them. And, finally, it's really the dancers who bring the energy and enthusiasm needed for a successful party. Thanks to all who came and danced.

The Palomanians and Santa Clara Valley Folk Dancers announce the retirement of our long-time teacher, Denise Heenan, effective the end of December. We all miss her smiling enthusiasm and her patience for these past 22 years, but accept her desire to spend more time with family and grandchildren. Denise, enjoy your vacation from teaching, and we'll see you at Festivals and parties.

The Santa Clara Valley Folk Dancers class has moved to a new day and night for classes. We are now at the American Legion Hall in Campbell on Tuesdays at 7:30 PM.

SACRAMENTO INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCE & ARTS COUNCIL

We are busy putting the final touches on the Camellia Festival, which we are working very hard to make one of Northern California's best festivals. Loui Tucker will be teaching Israeli dances and the Wolterbeeks will teach couple dances this year. We are also planning a super concert on Sunday which will be coordinated by Bruce Mitchell. The Saturday party

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is always great! Check out the flyer for all the details and we hope to see lots of new people there this year as well as all our old friends.

Speaking of the Wolterbeeks, they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this year! A very large portion of those fifty years was spent dancing together and helping others learn about the joys of dance. Congratulations from all of us on this wonderful milestone!

Our President, Vick Vickland, made his debut on stage in a play this spring. He played a crusty old guy, which took some doing for him. He is usually so cheerful and he's not even very old!

BARBARA MALAKOFF

STATEWIDE 2003 - A VILLAGE FAIRE

This year's Statewide Festival is trying a new approach. Rather than having master teachers and a workshop atmosphere, our teachers will come from a variety of folk dance clubs throughout the state and the theme of Village Faire will be carried through the entire weekend. Each club will represent their "village" and is being asked to share a favorite dance with those from neighboring "villages" who do not know or remember the dance. We are also hoping to have musicians from the "villages" (as well as professional musicians) to provide entertainment and some live music for dancing. Ask your club to participate in the festive atmosphere that will be created. And, most importantly, be sure to attend! Statewide is being presented by the Folk Dance Federation of Southern California this year, in Pasadena, at the Scottish Rite Cathedral, 140 Madison Avenue. The celebrations will go on over Memorial Day weekend, from Friday evening, May 23, through Sunday afternoon, May 26th.

SANDY HELPERIN





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