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# SUMMER DANCING IS HEATING UP!

### JULY 7 - Waltz Night - Betsy Branch, Mark Douglass and Fred Nussbaum, with Michael Penk Instructing

Enjoy a night to refine your waltzing technique with music played by Portland fiddler Betsy Branch, pianist Mark Douglas, and cellist Fred Nussbaum. Betsy and Mark have played together since 1995 after they met at FolkLife. Their musical repertoire includes Irish, old time, English, gospel, classical. jazz, swing, Fred Nussbaum, in much demand at both English and contra dances throughout the northwest, has been playing the cello for years, and was one of the founding members of the Portland Baroque Orchestra. Fred recently completed a tour of New England where he played at several local dances, at a special English/Contra dance weekend in New York and at English/American Week at Pinewoods in Massachusetts.

Portland dancer Michael Penk began dancing in 1989, and has attended numerous week-long and weekend dance camps all over the country. He is proficient in contra, English country, Scandinavian, swing, and vintage dancing, and is a much sought-after dance partner. Michael, aided by Diana O'Farrell, will show you clear and simple steps to become a skilled waltzer.

### JULY 8 - Cascadia Folk Quartet with Marlin Prowell

The Cascadia Folk Quartet is known throughout the Pacific Northwest for its outstanding musicianship. These veteran entertainers charm the audience with their warm and energetic stage presence. Three members of this group were formerly know as the Whammadiddle Dingats!

The Band: Chip Cohen on fiddle, vocals, bass and guitar; Mick Doherty on hammer dulcimer and bass, Lawrence Huntey on hammer dulcimer and bases, and singer/song writer/musician Kevin Shay Johnson, a.k.a. Slim.

Bellingham caller Marlin Prowell has organized and run weekly dances in the Bellingham area, and has been in much demand at dances and camps throughought the Northwest for years.

### AUGUST 4 - Full Moon with Woody Lane

The Band: The premier Portland band Full Moon consists of Gordy Euler on fiddle, Janet Goulston on concertina and banjo, Dave Hamlin on mandolin, and Fran Slefer on piano.

Roseburg Caller Woody Lane has called contras and squares in the Pacific Northwest and across the country for more than 15 years. Besides his smooth contras and fast squares, Woody adds percussive spice as he clogs to the music.

### AUGUST 12 - Kathleen Towers and Dave Goldman with Dave Smith

Portland veterans Kathleen Towers on fiddle and Dave Goldman on piano join up to provide solid and energetic music for your dance enjoyment. Both are members of the contra band Moondog, and both play often for English country dances. Kathleen has fiddled for contra dances from Eugene to Vancouver, B.C. for 10 years. It has been said that her style drives the dancers, but she swears that it is the dancers that drive her. Dave Goldman, who has also composed an occasional waltz or reel, has been on the Portland music scene for years. You can depend on Dave to provide a high energy night of keyboard delights to keep you spinning.

Portland Caller Dave Smith brings a dynamic and engaging style to any contra dance, with not only good calling, but his knowledge of and skill at playing drums and other percussive instruments. He collects and calls unusual dances which expand the possibilities of contra dance, mixed with a few old "chestnuts."

# First Weekend in September - SUTTLE LAKE!!

Meanwhile in Portland at the September First Friday dance look for musicians Clyde Curley, Creighton Lindsey and Greg Clark. More information will be given in the next newsletter.

#### **Dance Locations**

BC	Benton Center, 630 NW 7th, Corvallis
BWT	Burlingame Water Tower Dance Hall, SW 17th and Marigold (between Spring Garden and Taylor's Ferry
	Roads)—no street shoes permitted on the dance floor
FCC	Fulton Community Center, 68 SW Miles (off Barbur, traffic light just east of Terwilliger)
GP	Guthrie Park, 3 miles south of Dallas
KMS	Kelly Middle School, North Park & Howard, Eugene
KOC	Knights of Columbus Hall, 725 Shipping NE, Salem
LDC	Living Dance Center, 3536 SE 26th Avenue
LSC	Luepke Senior Center, 1009 E. McLoughlin Blvd, Vancouver, WA
MAC	Multnomah Art Center, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy. (at 31st)
MFMH	Multnomah Friends Meeting House, 4312 SE Stark
MG	Mountainview Grange, White Salmon. Call 503/386-6461 for address
NG	Netel Grange, Lewis & Clark Road, 3.9 miles south of Miles Crossing at "Logan Road Chapel" sign.
	Call 503 / 325-7279 if lost.
PPAA	Portland Police Athletic Assoc., 618 SE Alder
RG	Rockford Grange, 4250 Barrett Drive, Hood River
SAC	Saint Andrew's Church, SW Dosch Road at Sunset Boulevard (near Beaverton-Hillsdale Hwy)
SBEC	Saint Barnabus Episcopal Church, 2201 SW Vermont (about 3 blocks west of Bertha)
SCB	Sunlight Community Center, 6404 SW Barnes Road, Portland

### Regular Dances

Unless stated, all dances are open to everyone—experienced or not, with or without partners, and feature live music. All dances are taught. PCDC encourages sit-in musicians (unmiked) at regular PCDC dances at the discretion of the hired band and caller.

PCDC First Friday Dance. This contra dance showcases local and regional callers and dance bands. If you'd like to call or book a band for this dance, please contact PCDC. Musicians are encouraged to sit in with the hired band, but will not be miked. MAC, 8 pm, beginners' workshop 7:30 pm. \$7/\$6 for seniors and PCDC members.

First Friday English Country Dance, Potluck, & Open Band. Open Mike for Callers, and Open Band, for those who would like to play. 7 pm at SCB \$3.

PCDC First Saturday English Country Dance. English Country dance is a source of modern square and contra dance style. SBEC, 8 pm, beginner's workshop 7:30 pm. \$7/\$6 seniors and PCDC members.

First Saturday Cats & Dogs Contra-dance. UnLeashed! and various Cat bands alternate months with guest callers. FCC, 8 pm, beginners' workshop 7:30 pm. \$7.

Second and Fourth Friday English Country Dance. Run by the

Portland English Country Dancer, these two monthly dances feature a variety of callers and musicains. BWT, 8pm, no beginners' workshop. \$6. (No street shoes allowed at BWT.)

PCDC Second Saturday Dance, the longest continuously running contra dance in the state. This dance is similar to the first Friday dance, maintaining the tradition. FCC, 8 pm, beginners' workshop 7:30 pm. \$7/\$6 seniors and PCDC members.

Portland Ceili Society Dance is "a gathering of friends" with lively Irish music, frequently played by world famous musicians. Very aerobic dancing and a full bar are only a few of the notable features of this Third Friday of the month dance, held upstairs at PPAA. Cost \$9.

Third Saturday Contradance is organized by Paul McCullough. Dances tend towards the challenging side. FCC, 8 pm, beginner's workshop 7:30 pm. \$7.

Fourth Saturday Contradance is organized and called by Mary Devlin. FCC, 8pm, beginners' workshop 7:30 pm. \$7/\$6 CDSS members.

Fifth Saturday Contradance features the old-time music of the Rose City Aces with guest callers. FCC, 8pm, \$7.

#### Out of Town Dances

Fourth Friday Scandinavian Dance, KOC, Salem. 8 pm. Call 503/364-6713 to confirm.

First & Third Saturday Dances. BC, Corvallis. 8 pm. (Bring non-street shoes.) Call 541/754-1839.

Second Saturday Dance, KMS, Eugene, 8 PM. Beginner's instruction at 7:30 PM. (For info or places to stay, call Ellen at 541/686-2053.)

Fourth Saturday Swing 'n Contra Dance, GP, Salem. 8 pm.

Astoria Old-Time Country Dance, NG, Astoria. Call 503/325-7279 for info.

Eugene Fourth Saturday Contra Dances, KMS, Eugene 8 pm. Call 541/686-2053 for details.

Hood River Saturday Dances, RG, 8 pm. Call 503/386-6461 for details.

White Salmon Saturday Dances, MG, 8 pm. Call 503/386-6461 for details.

Bend Community Contradance, 3rd Sat. at Kenwood Gym, dance "parties" for summer, 2nd Sat. in fall. 541/317-1458, kanestdt@bendnet.com

Fort Vancouver Contra Dance Soc., 3rd Fri. at Luepke Center, Vancouver, WA 8 pm. Call 360/735-8687 for details.

## CALENDAR • JULY/AUGUST 2000

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# July

- 1st(Sa)PCDC English Country Dance. off for the summer.
- 1st (Sa) First Saturday Cats & Dogs Dance. 8 pm at FCC. Caller: Elinor Preston. Music: UnLeashed!.
- 1st (Sa) Corvallis First Saturday Dance. off for the summer.
- 1st (Sa) Astoria First Saturday Cajun Dance. 8pm at NG. Caller:TBA. Music: TBA.
- 5th (We) First Wednesday Beginner Music Teaching Session. Call Charlie (231-0205) for details.
- 7th (Fr) PCDC First Friday Waltz Dance. 8 pm at MAC. Music: Betsy Branch & Mark Douglass.
- 7th(Fr) First Friday English Country Dance, Potluck, & Open Band.off for the summer.
- 8th (Sa) PCDC Second Saturday Contra Dance. 8 pm at FCC. Caller: Marlin Prowell. Music: Cascadia Folk Quartet.
- 8th (Sa) Eugene Second Saturday Dance.
- 8th (Sa) Salem Second Saturday Dance.
- 14th (Fr) Second Friday English Country Dance. 8 pm at BWT. Caller: Nan Evans. Music: Mark Douglass, Betsy Branch, & Fred Nussbaum. (Bring Dance Shoes for this Hall.)
- 15th (Sa) Third Saturday Contradance. 8 pm at FCC. Caller: Paul McCullough. Music: Feline Groovy.
- 15th (Sa) Corvallis Third Saturday Dance. off for the summer.
- 18th (Tu) Third Tuesday Portland Folk Song and Old-time Music Jam, 7:30-9:30 pm. Call 452-9961 for directions/ information.
- 21st (Fr) Portland Ceili Society Dance.
- 22nd (Sa) Fourth Saturday Contradance. Dance 8 pm at FCC. Caller: Mary Devlin, Music: Andrea Hoig & Julie King.
- 22nd (Sa) Salem Fourth Saturday Swing 'n Contra Dance.
- 22nd (Sa) Eugene Fourth Saturday Dance
- 28th (Fr) Fourth Friday English Country Dance. 8 pm at BWT. Caller: Cynthia

- Stenger & David Macemon. Music: Kathleen Towers, Denis Wilkenson, & friends. (Bring Dance Shoes for this Hall.)
- 28th (Fr) Scandia of Salem Dance, 8 pm, KOC. Call 364-6713 for more information.
- 29th (Sa) Fifth Saturday Contra Dance. 8 pm at FCC. Caller: Erik Weberg. Music: Ruthie Dornfeld, Joel Bernstein, & Clyde Curley.

## August

- 2nd (We) First Wednesday Beginner Music Teaching Session. Call Charlie (231-0205) for details.
- 4th (Fr) PCDC First Friday Contra Dance. 8 pm at MAC. Caller: Woody Lane. Music: Full Moon.
- 4th (Fr) First Friday English Country Dance, Potluck, & Open Band. off for the summer.
- 5th (Sa) First Saturday English Country Dance. off for the summer.
- 5th (Sa) First Saturday Cats & Dogs Dance. 8 pm at FCC. Caller: Nan Evans. Music: Feline Groovy.
- 5th (Sa) Corvallis First Saturday Dance.off for the summer.
- 5th (Sa) Astoria First Saturday Dance. 8pm at NG. Caller: TBA. Music: TBA.
- 11th (Fr) Second Friday English Country Dance. 8 pm at BWT. Caller: Nan Evans. Music: George Penk, Fred Nussbaum, & Denis Wilkensen. (Bring Dance Shoes for this Hall.)
- 12th (Sa) PCDC Second Saturday Contra Dance 8 pm at FCC. Caller: Dave Smith. Music: Kathleen Towers & Dave Goldman.
- 12th (Sa) Salem Second Saturday Dance.
- 12th (Sa) Eugene Second Saturday Dance.
- 15th (Tu) Third Tuesday Portland Folk Song and Old-time Music Jam, 7:30-9:30 pm. Call 452-9961 for directions/ information.
- 18th (Fr) Fort Vancouver Contra Dance, 8 pm at LSC. Caller: Nan Evans. Music: Gordy Euler & friends.
- 18th (Fr) Portland Ceili Society Dance.
- 19th (Sa) Third Saturday Contradance. 8

- pm at FCC. Caller: Paul McGullough. Music: Dave Smith, Todd Silverstein, Betsy Branch, & Mark Douglass.
- 19th (Sa) Corvallis Third Saturday Dance. off for the summer.
- 25th (Fr) Fourth Friday English Country Dance. 8 pm at BWT. Caller: Nan Evans. Music: DogHouse4-1. (Bring Dance Shoes for this Hall.)
- 25th (Fr) Scandia of Salem Dance, 8 pm, KOC. Call 364-6713 for more information.
- 25th (Fr) Oregon FolkLife Festival in Corvallis. 8 pm see FolkLife information for location. Caller: Tony Mates. Music: Mill Creek String Band.
- 26th (Sa) Fourth Saturday Contradance. 8 pm at FCG. Caller: Erik Weberg. Music: Betsy Branch & Mark Douglass.
- 25th (Fr) Oregon FolkLife Festival in Corvallis. 8 pm see FolkLife information for location. Galler: Tony Mates. Music: The Nettles.
- 26th (Sa) Salem Fourth Saturday Swing 'n Contra Dance.
- 26th (Sa) Eugene Fourth Saturday Dance.

## September

- 1st (Fr) PCDC First Friday Contra Dance. 8 pm at MAC. Caller: TBA. Music: Clyde Curley & friends.
- 9th (Sa) PCDC Second Saturday Contra Dance. 8 pm at FCC. Caller: TBA. Music: Cascadia Folk Quartet.
- 15th (Sa) Third Friday PCDC English Country Dance. 8 pm at SBEC. Caller: TBA. Music: TBA.

#### There's Still Time for Suttle Lake!

You won't want to miss Suttle Lake this year: contra and swing dance under the tutelage of nationally renowned callers George Marshall and Tom Hinds, to the exciting music of the Hillbillies from Mars and Babes in Tuneland. A plethora of dance, music, and singing workshops promise plenty of interest for everyone, and there's hiking and canoeing besides. Still undecided? Then ask anyone who's been to Suttle about Annie Johnston's fantastic meals.

You can find more details and an application form at <a href="http://www.aone.com/~kluberg/suttle.html">http://www.aone.com/~kluberg/suttle.html</a>. Or call Cynthia at (503) 722-4555. Applications sent after July 1 are handled first-come, first-served, so don't delay! (Though if this newsletter has been magneted to your fridge all summer and it's now just a couple of weeks 'til camp, do give Cynthia a call to check for last-minute openings.)

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### From the Chair:

At this years very successful dawn dance, the PCDC held its annual meeting of members to elect volunteers to leadership positions on the PCDC board. Elected to the board this year are Dave Hamlin and Mike Teegarden. Dave has served on the board in years past as chair, and he brings with him a wealth of experience from which we are very fortunate to benefit. Mike is an avid dancer and is looking forward to directing his energy toward producing dance events with the PCDC board. The board and all the other PCDC volunteers are happy to have the chance to work with Dave and Mike.

One board member is resigning, and that is Rob Hoffman. Rob has worked with the PCDC for three years and we want to take a chance to thank Rob for the valuable contributions he has made.

Since our last membership meeting last June, two volunteers have joined the board to fill vacancies. Bev Stewart is working with us as volunteer coordinator and Janene Benfield joined us as treasurer. Thank you Bev and Janene for your committment to our dance community.

In addition to board members, the PCDC is run by a group of committed volunteers who do everything from publishing the newsletter to tracking memberships to serving on committees and working on publicity. All tasks which allow the PCDC to produce such a wide variety of events and services are done by volunteers. If you'd like to be part of the volunteer scene for the benefit of your dance community, we will be happy to put your energy to good use. If you've never volunteered, consider helping work the door at a dance sometime and experience some of the behind-the-scenes aspects of dance production. Or one of many other ways that the PCDC could use your unique talents. Please phone Bev (656-9964) or Erik (246-2219) to find out more, and don't forget to thank the folks who work to bring us great events from the Portland Country Dance Community.

# Dishwashers Needed for Suttle Lake Dance Camp, Labor Day Weekend 2000

PCDC's Suttle Lake Dance Camp is hiring 4 people to wash dishes, pots, and pans for the weekend of September 1-4.

The benefits:

- ❖ You'll be paid \$100 for the weekend
- You'll get room and board during the camp
- You'll be able to participate in dances and workshops when the dishes are done
- You'll have front row seats (well, maybe not "seats") to the Annie Show!

Please contact Elinor Preston (503-735-2625 or epreston@teleport.com, for more information.



### BETTY'S BIRTHDAY BASH

In honor of Betty Stewart's Birthday, Mary Devlin's Third Saturday dance in September will be held at the Norse Hall (111 NE 11th) rather than Fulton Park. (Fulton just wasn't big enough for this one!) Festivities will begin at 6:00pm with a birthday cake potluck.... that's right, we're talkin' gazillions of birthday cakes! Betty was one of the signing members of the PCDC bylaws as well as an active member in the Portland Folklore Society and the Stumptown Cloggers.

If you would like to become immortalized forever, we are putting together a scrapbook for Betty. If you have pictures, stories or other contributions you will find blank 'scrapbook' pages at upcoming dances, or you may contact Christine Fry (cef@transport.com or 230-0777) for further information regarding the scrapbook. If you have other questions or suggestions you may contact Holly Nelson (hollynelson@effectnet.com or 235-7528) or Eliza Romick (eromick@teleport.com or 289-8669).

Mark the evening of September 23<sup>rd</sup> on you calendar!! And spread the word!



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This newsletter, Footnotes, is published every other month. If you have a dance announcement for the newsletter, please contact the newsletter committee, or send it to PCDC, PO Box 14636, Portland, 97293. Give a concise description of your event, including featured band and callers, date, time, place, cost, and phone number for further info. The information provided here is as accurate as we can make it, but changes or cancellations may not be reflected in this calendar. We encourage submission of letters and articles of interest to the community. Letters and articles become the property of Footnotes on publication and may be edited. The DEADLINE for the September/October calendar is August 1st.

Portland Country Dance Community is a consortium of dancers, musicians and callers promoting country dance and music traditions through regular dances, workshops and other events. Everyone is welcome. Our interests include American, English,

Celtic, Scandinavian and related traditions, expressed through live performance and participation. With this newsletter, we hope to exchange information and share concerns about traditional music and dance. We publish the newsletter every other month and distribute it to members of PCDC and other folk organizations in the Pacific Northwest. Individual membership is \$15.00 a year (\$12.00 for seniors), and \$25 per year for families which provides a \$1.00 discount at our regular dances and subscription to the newsletter. Donations in excess of membership fees are tax deductible. Correspondence may be sent to PCDC, PO Box 14636, Portland, OR 97293. We are an educational nonprofit corporation and also a center of the Country Dance and Song Society, a national organization whose address is 132 Main St./PO Box 338, Haydenville, MA 01039-0338.

The PCDC board is an elected body of volunteers from the community. Meetings are held once a month, and community members are always welcome. Help, ideas and feedback from the community, in whatever form, is necessary to make PCDC events happen. Your contributions of time and support are appreciated. Call any board member for further info.

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April 18th PCDC Board Meeting Minutes In Attendance; Betty Woerner, Bev Stewart, Rob Hoffman, Erik Weberg, Eliza Romick, Sue Songer, Janene Benfield A financial report was heard to everyone's satisfaction. Approval was given for use of the PCDC mailing list. Megaband 2001 was discussed and projected expenses approved. Dusk 'till Dawn dance preparations were made and duties distributed. Family dance was briefly discussed and a more in-depth discussion will ensue at our next meeting. The prospect of a wood floor at MAC was discussed and determined that a separate committee would be necessary to undertake such a mission. The next meeting will be in late June at the home of Betty Woerner. Phone 246-2219 for further information about board meetings.