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## Editors' Corner

Our cover story highlights one of the clubs using the Pacific Art Center as their venue. A beautiful space, it combines a lovely dance floor with the pleasure of an open-air patio. Thursday nights, our featured club, Asteria Greek Folk Dance Club, dances there.

The June/July issue will be featuring the many summer camps that are available. We'd love to hear from you if you've had a camp experience that you would like to share. Have you been to Door County, Mainwoods, Pinewoods, New Mexico or the Swannanoa Gathering? Are you planning on attending a camp this summer? Send your reminiscences or anticipations to [editor@FolkDanceScene.org](mailto:editor@FolkDanceScene.org)

Dancers Speak this month asks about "muck" in your head. See page 16 and let Sandy know your reaction at [sandysmail1@verizon.net](mailto:sandysmail1@verizon.net)

Be of good cheer!

— *Pat Cross and Don Krotzer*

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## Federation Corner



I welcome this invitation to contribute to the ongoing dialog between the Folk Dance Federation of California (north) and our sister organization in the south. Beverly Barr asked me, as the current President of Federation north, to write something about what is

happening north of the imaginary and fuzzy line that separates our respective areas of influence.

Most importantly, I want to encourage all folk dancers to attend the Statewide Festival coming up May 30 to June 1. All of these festivals are unique, but this one promises to be even more so, with an inviting program organized by Teddy Wolterbeek and her hard-working committee. The venue is Shingle Springs/Placerville located in the Sierra foothills, with the theme: Gold Rush Jamboree. Institutes on Saturday morning and afternoon, with reviews on Sunday, will feature Istvan (Kovacs) Szabo and Ellie Weiner teaching Hungarian dances and Michael Ginsburg offering dances from the Balkans. This is enough by itself to warrant coming, but there is much more. Friday evening will have a Miners' Ball with dancemaster James Letchworth teaching and cueing all sorts of fun dances with periodic 15 minute intervals of regular international favorites organized by teenage protégés of Teddy and Al. Of course there will be a big dance party Saturday evening, plus a free pancake breakfast, installation ceremonies, barbecue, and more dancing on Sunday. Finally and especially relevant here, on Saturday starting at 12:30 there will be a meeting of the N/S Liaison Committee with Laila Messer leading the northern contingent.

In other news, I want to mention that the Federation north is now in its second year operating under new bylaws. We have modernized and streamlined our organizational structure, and seem to be enjoying renewed interest and participation in the business of the organization. When we were re-writing our bylaws, Karen Wilson-Bell kindly provided us with the bylaws and other helpful documents from the Federation south. We also discovered in the process that, to our dismay, earlier Federation administrations had failed to follow through on an application for tax exempt (501 c (3)) status, so we have that bureaucratic hurdle ahead of us. We also have a \$50,000 bequest to be used for the promotion of folk dance. All in all we feel optimistic that folk dancing and with it the Federation will survive and prosper into the immediate future.

— *Bill Lidicker*

*Asteria Greek FD Club is a recent addition to the Folk Dance Federation clubs.*

If it's Thursday night, it's Asteria Greek night at the Pacific Arts Center in West Los Angeles.

Energized by the Intersection Reunion in 2004, **Dennis Gura** launched a Greek folk dance night at Café Danssa in West Los Angeles, which had not hosted any Greek dancing since 1988! Greek night was an immediate Sunday night success drawing Westsiders delighted to find a new venue for Greek dancing. Greek night eventually switched to Thursday nights, and hosting and DJ responsibilities expanded to include **Drina Johnson, Deno Katsenes, Anne Sirota, and Jerry Savin.**

In early 2007, after **David Blume**, the owner of Café Danssa passed away, the Café closed its doors. Greek Night, **Sherry Cochran's** Balkan Night and Café Aman found themselves scrambling for a new place. Wonderfully, we found the Pacific Arts Center (PAC), a dance studio near Century City. PAC is a marvelous location, with a comfortable sprung wooden dance floor and a delightful patio, with twinkling holiday lights strung across the top, which gave Greek Night its name Asteria, 'Stars'.



Asteria is a party to which everyone is truly welcome! The atmosphere is a delight; the low lights create a warm, friendly, inviting ambiance. On a typical night, music is taverna and village, old and modern, music from Pontos, Crete, Thrace, Macedonia, Epirus, the islands and more; on the patio, it's coffee, conversation and *tavli*.

Asteria follows in the tradition of a Greek *kafeneion*,



a place to hang out and socialize. Asteria is unique in its mix of people, range of ages, men and women, Greeks and non-Greeks; mix of music, modern and traditional; mix of dances, taverna and village; and a great location for Westsiders.

Asteria celebrated its first anniversary on March 20th with live music by the Greek Edition (**Tim Rice, Jessica Ruiz, Ty Rust, Gee Rabe, Frankie Farrell, and Jerry Summers**).



Stop by any Thursday evening and join us for a wonderful evening of dancing and conversation, no experience necessary. P.S. A little Greek is spoken at Asteria.

Asteria's hours are 8:45 to 11:00, or thereabouts. The address is 10469 Santa Monica Boulevard, just west of Beverly Glen. The cost is \$8.00.

— *Anne Sirota and Jerry Savin*

## Federation Clubs

**ASTERIA GREEK DANCE CLUB**  
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24232 Calle Aragon

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(714) 932-2513 Shirley Hansen  
BELLFLOWER, Woman's Club of  
Bellflower, 9402 Oak St.

**PASADENA FOLK DANCE CO-OP**  
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(626)914-4006 Rick/Lynn Bingle  
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**RAINBOW SENIOR CLUB**  
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**SAN DIEGO VINTAGE DANCERS**  
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# Dancers Speak

## APRIL QUOTE OF THE MONTH

*You can't dance if you got too much muck in your head.*

— *Yoko Ono*

## April Question of the Month

When you are dancing, are you thinking of anything other than the dance? Are you even thinking of the dance? And if your thoughts stray, how does that effect the way you dance? Have you had a bad day? Are you late in doing your taxes? Are you worried about someone you love? Can you dance well when you are down or anxious? Does the dance erase, at least temporarily, your concerns?

Write and tell us how your "muck" affects your dance. [sandysmail1@verizon.net](mailto:sandysmail1@verizon.net)

— *Sandy Helperin*

## DANCING WITH TWO LEFT FEET. (34)



I was just thinking if our folk dance traditions could survive the onslaught of time. Are we going to be dancing the same dances years from now? Are we going to be listening to the same music?

Who knows?

Maybe we can learn from the Greek community on how to preserve our traditions.

Somehow, the Greeks managed to keep their language, tradition, music and dances while dispersed throughout the world. They make sure that Greek is spoken at home, marriages are among their own, and rituals and habits are maintained through the generations.

Many have seen the movie "My Big Fat Greek Wedding". If not, I highly recommend this movie by Nia Vardalos about a young Greek in her early thirties, single and no immediate prospects of changing that status any time soon. She works in the family business - a Greek restaurant. Desperate to get out of the situation she takes matters into her own hands and signs up for a night-school class studying computers. Without getting into too many details, her action leads her to the altar and a "Big Fat Greek Wedding".

Over the years, my wife and I have been close friends with the owners of "Corfu", a Greek restaurant

in Agoura, and their daughter Demetra, whose story almost verbatim follows the script of the movie. For the last fifteen or more years we frequented the restaurant religiously every Thursday to eat some great food, dance to Yorgo's Bouzouki playing, and enjoy the company of a dozen of our Greek dancing aficionados.

Demetra's story closely follows the script of the movie. She worked in the restaurant, wanted to study computers, eventually get married, and have children. I still recall how hard we laughed when we first saw the movie with Demetra calling out every so often: "This is my life!"

Yes, Demetra married a young Greek man and recently we attended their Orthodox Church wedding.

One of the things that impressed me the most was that everybody in such a large group, from very young to the very old, not only knew all the dances but also joined in every dance. Demetra, in her huge and billowing wedding dress, led many of the dances, as her father and relatives alternately showered her with a rainfall of dollar bills. By late evening, we all danced on a floor littered with money.

This is what made me think of the future of our dancing groups.

Do we sit out most of the dances and dance only the ones we know?

Or do we learn from the Greeks, and enjoy them all, as we put our few dollars in the kitty to keep the lights on?

— *Lou Pechi*

## LEONA WOOD

Folk dance has lost another pioneer in bringing folk dance to the public. Leona Wood, the co-founder of Aman Folk Ensemble, died at age 86. She was an accomplished artist, working in the areas of sculpture, mosaics and goldsmithing, as well as a dancer and choreographer. Her specialty was dances of the Middle East.

As a child, Wood studied ballet and was introduced to folk dance. She devoted her early adulthood to her artistic pursuits, but returned to folk dance and especially to belly dance. In the 1960s, Aman was formed at UCLA, as an outgrowth of UCLA's Village Dancers, and went on to become a stellar performance group.

— *Sandy Helperin*

Westwood Co-Operative Folk Dancers  
presents

Sunday, April 6, 2008

# Spring Festival

1:30 - 5:30 pm

## A Festival of International Dances

We are encouraging new dancers to join us  
as we will be teaching a few simple and easy  
but interesting dances for all.

Costumes Welcome

Free Admission

Lots of Free Parking

## Veterans' Memorial Auditorium

(Culver Blvd. at Overland in Culver City)

Westwood Co-op Folk Dancers, Members  
of the Folk Dance Federation of California, South  
co-sponsored by:

for info about the festival  
call Beverly Barr (310)202-6166

The Culver City Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services

## Afterparty - Dinner and Dancing

immediately following the festival at 6:00 pm

## Felicia Mahood Senior Center

SW corner of Santa Monica Bl. at Corinth (entrance in the back on Corinth)  
free parking in well lit, large lot end of block south on Corinth

Chinese Buffet Dinner (no MSG)  
includes wine, cider, tea \$14

Everyone must reserve in advance

for info & reservations call Beverly or Irwin (310)202-6166

# Calendar

Note: Federation Dance Events are in Bold.

## CALL TO CONFIRM ALL EVENTS

### APRIL

1,8,15,22,29 *John Filcich* teaching at Cal Tech Folkdancers. Info: Nancy (626) 797-5157.

6 **Westwood Co-op's Festival. Veterans Auditorium, Culver City. 1:30 – 5:30. See ad.**

6 *International Roma Day*, Pacific Arts Center, 10469 Santa Monica Blvd. L.A. See OTS. Info: [www.pacificartscenter.com](http://www.pacificartscenter.com).

25 *Concert of Korean Music and Dance*, presented by UCLA Ethnomusicology Dept. 7:00 at Korean Cultural Center, 5505 Wilshire Blvd. L. A. See OTS. Info: (323) 936-7141(ext.123), [www.kccla.org](http://www.kccla.org).

### MAY

5 **Cinco de Mayo party with the West L. A. Folk Dancers 7:30. All-request dance program. Pot-luck snacks. Brockton School, 1309 Armacost Ave. in W.L.A. See OTS. Info: Beverly at (310) 202-6166 or (310) 478-4659.**

17 Tamburitzans of Duquesne University perform 7:00 at Servite Theatre, 1952 W. La Palma Ave., Anaheim. See ad. Info: (714) 832-7470, [annunciationbyzantine.org](http://annunciationbyzantine.org).

18 *Topanga Banjo-Fiddle Contest*, Paramount Ranch, Agoura, 9:00 to 6:00, Israeli, Scottish, English, clogging, square dancing; performances, food, crafts. (818) 382-4819, [www.topangabanjofiddle.org](http://www.topangabanjofiddle.org).

24, 25 *United Scottish Society's Annual Scottish Festival*. Orange Co. Fairgrounds.

26 **Memorial Day party, with West L. A. Folk Dancers, 7:30. All-request program. Pot-luck snacks. Brockton School, 1309 Armacost Ave. in W.L.A. See OTS. Info: Beverly at (310) 202-6166 or (310) 478-4659.**

### JUNE

5 **Kriss Larson's Interfolk Band at Narodni! Women's Club of Bellflower, 9402 Oak Street, (714) 932-2513. <http://www.narodni.org>.**

13,14,15 *Huck Finn Jubilee*, Mohave Narrows Park, Victorville. Barn dances, performances, food, crafts, contests. Info: (951) 341-8080, [www.huckfinn.com](http://www.huckfinn.com).

27 *Concert of Korean Music and Dance*, presented by UCLA Ethnomusicology Dept. 7:00 at Korean

Cultural Center, 5505 Wilshire Blvd. L. A. Info: (323) 936-7141(ext.123), [www.kccla.org](http://www.kccla.org).

### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

*Voice of Roma Cultural Events*, Info: (707) 823-7941, [voiceofroma@comcast.net](mailto:voiceofroma@comcast.net), [www.voiceofroma.com](http://www.voiceofroma.com).

4/4 *International. Roma Day Celebration*. 7:30 at Croatian American Cultural Center, 60 Onondaga, SF. Live Music & Dancing with: Édessa, dance instruction with Sani Rifati.

5/3 *12th Annual Calif. Herdeljezi Festival*, Ives Park & French Garden, Sebastopol.

4/6 *Arcata Folk Dance Festival* at Bayside Grange, 2297 Jacoby Creek Road, Bayside, CA. Info: (707) 822-8045 or [linneaman@aol.com](mailto:linneaman@aol.com).

4/13 *Folk & Ballroom Dance Concert & Blossom Festival*. 1:00-2:00 concert, 2:00-5:00 general dancing. At CCSF Performance Theatre, SF. Info: [joel@folkdance.com](mailto:joel@folkdance.com) or [crb2crb@aol.com](mailto:crb2crb@aol.com).

*Alasdair Fraser and the San Francisco Scottish Fiddlers*. Tickets: [www.sfscttishfiddlers.org](http://www.sfscttishfiddlers.org), (800) 838-3006. Schedule:

4/25: Oakland: Regents Theatre at the Valley Center for the Performing Arts. \$22/\$17

4/26: Grass Valley: Veterans Memorial Auditorium. \$20/\$10

4/27: Santa Rosa: The Jackson Theater, Sonoma Country Day School. \$22/\$17

4/25 *El Dorado Int'l Dance Assn Night of Folk Dancing*, live music by Village Folk Orkestra. 7:30 at Marshall Grange, Garden Valley. Info: Philip or Sarah at [sarah.philip@yahoo.com](mailto:sarah.philip@yahoo.com) or (530) 333-4576.

5/10 *Lullabies concert* with Diana Rowan (harp) and Lily Storm (voice & harmonium). 7.30 at 7th Ave Presbyterian Church, SF. Special Mothers' Day concert: Free! (415) 664-2543.

5/31 *Pontian Glendi*. 6:00 reception, 7:00 Buffet dinner and dance. At Nativity of Christ Greek Orthodox Church, Novato. Info: Nikos Savvidis (707) 569-9578 or Effie Fourakis (415) 924-5686 or [effiejf@aol.com](mailto:effiejf@aol.com).

5/10 *Santa Rosa Folk Dancers' Rose Festival* 1:00 - 4:30 at Wischemann Hall in Sebastopol.

5/30-6/1 *Statewide 2008* with Michael Ginsburg & Kovacs (with Ellie Weinberg) in Placerville, CA. See ad.

## Stockton Folk Dance Camp

Week One: **July 20 to July 26, 2008**

Week Two: **July 27 to August 2, 2008**

**Enjoy seven days of dancing** with dance masters from around the world at the University of the Pacific Campus, Stockton, California. From your arrival Sunday evening to the after party the following Saturday night, you will experience a week of folk dance, folklore, and music. Although the schedule is the same each week, the experiences are different. Saturday night party theme first week – Romanian; second week – Polish. Expect an Island theme for Wednesday night. Come both weeks to take it all in.

**Each day there are dance classes** with the master teachers; afternoon workshops; dances for children of all ages; daily cultural assemblies with knowledgeable speakers; evening review of each day's material; dance parties; late night coffee house; auction; weekly talent show; and weekly theme party. All dances are on wood floors in air-conditioned venues. Vendors provide folk items and music for purchase. Included in the camp registration is a research dance syllabus. A DVD of the dances presented at camp will be available for purchase.

**The Lawton Harris Folk Dance Collection** located at the University of the Pacific is one of the largest folk dance research libraries in the nation, containing dance descriptions, hardbound books, records, CD's, and videos for extensive dance research

**Partial Scholarships** are available on a limited basis—application forms available on our website [www.folkdancecamp.org](http://www.folkdancecamp.org).

**University Extension Credit** is available for an additional fee. Let us know if you are interested.

**Questions?** Ask Jan (530) 474-3231 or [jmwright32@frontiernet.net](mailto:jmwright32@frontiernet.net)

### REGISTRATION FORM – 2008

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip (or postal) Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country (if not USA) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Gender (M/F) \_\_\_\_\_ Age, if under 18 \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate preference (for shared room) \_\_\_\_\_ This will be my \_\_\_\_\_ year at Folk Dance Camp

**I will attend (check one):**  1<sup>st</sup> Week (7/20-7/26)  2<sup>nd</sup> Week (7/27-8/2)  Both Weeks (7/20-8/2)

**A: \$400 Commuter Camper (tuition only)**  **C: \$825 Tuition, private room and all meals**  
 **B: \$750 Tuition, shared room and all meals**  **Add a \$10 per week linen fee, *or* I'll bring my own linens**

Enclosed is my deposit of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$75 per person per week due now, with an additional \$225 per week due by May 15)  
*No deposit refunds after May 15, unless your position is filled by a person on the waiting list.*

Make checks payable to: FOLK DANCE CAMP – or you may charge the amount to your Visa or Master Card:

Card No \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ Amount to charge: \_\_\_\_\_

Name as it appears on card: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

*(OR download registration form from [www.folkdancecamp.org](http://www.folkdancecamp.org) and e-mail to [jmwright32@frontiernet.net](mailto:jmwright32@frontiernet.net))*

*Return Registration Form to:*

Folk Dance Camp  
 Attention Jan Wright  
 36676 Viola Meadows Court  
 Shingletown, CA 96088

# Stockton Folk Dance Camp

July 20-26, 2008  
July 27 – August 2, 2008  
University of the Pacific Campus  
Stockton, California

Enjoy a week (or two) of total immersion in folk dance and folk culture with these outstanding teachers:



**Roberto Bagnoli – Italian.** Roberto Bagnoli is teacher and choreographer for *Terra di Danza* from Reggio Emilia and *Concordanze* from Cremona in Italy. This will be his first teaching appearance in the United States.



**Cristian Florescu and Sonia Dion – Romanian.** Cristian Florescu and Sonia Dion are a very popular teaching couple, specializing in the dance styles of Romania. Cristian danced with many folk ensembles while he lived in Romania (*Cumuna Carpatilor, Izvor, Balada* and *Joc*). Sonia Dion was a principal dancer and choreographer for *Les Sortileges Dance Company* in Montreal, Canada, where they met. This will be their fourth teaching appearance at Stockton Folk Dance Camp.



**Jerry Helt – Squares** – Jerry Helt is internationally known for his expertise in the calling and teaching field and for his ability to bring fun and joy into the dance world. Jerry has been at camp every year since 1956, delighting us with great squares and contras, building up to exploding and progressive squares on Friday night.



**Daniela Ivanova – Bulgarian** – Daniela Ivanova has many years of experience as a dance teacher and choreographer with several groups, including the *Medina Pitka* school ensemble, *Tropanka* folk dance group (New Bulgarian University), *Zornitza* University Students' folk ensemble in Bulgaria, and the *Chigra* Ensemble of Novi Sad, Serbia. This will be her second teaching appearance at Stockton Folk Dance Camp.



**NEW!! Radboud Koop – Russian** Radboud Koop has been studying Russian dances with Hennie Konings for the past 20 years and with Olga Zolatova, director of the Pyatnitsky Ensemble folk dance school. He teaches Russian folk dance in the Netherlands and in Belgium. This will be his first teaching appearance in the United States



**Richard Schmidt – Polish** Richard Schmidt was the artistic director of the Podhale Folk Dance company of Montreal, Canada from 1991 through 2007. In 2000 he was given a Lifetime Achievement Award from the government of Poland for his work in promoting Polish Folk culture abroad. He is currently the artistic director of the *White Eagle Dance Company* of Montreal.



**Tineke Van Geel – Armenian** Tineke Van Geel has been teaching folk dance since 1977 and researching and teaching Armenian Folk Dances since 1985. In 2006 she received a special award from government of Armenia for her devotion and energy in promoting Armenian dance, music and culture in many countries over the past twenty-five years. She lives in the Netherlands



**Workshop: Island Dances with Merilyn Gentry and Nora Nuckles** Merilyn and Nora are back with their ever-popular teaching of dances from "The Islands." Join in the fun while the other campers are taking their naps.



**California Kapela – Live Music** From L to R: Milen Slavov (accordion), Evan Stuart (bass), Susan Worland (fiddle), Barbara Deutsch (woodwinds), and Rumun Shopov (percussion)  
**Singing Classes with Barbara Bevan**



# Calendar

6/21– 28 *Mendocino Folklore Camp*, Mendocino Woodlands, CA. Zeljko Jergan, Kovacs, others. Info: (818) 203-5812, [sullyburke@adelphia.net](mailto:sullyburke@adelphia.net).

6/28-7/5 *Balkan Music & Dance Workshop* at Mendocino Woodlands, Mendocino. Info: Eastern European Folklife Center, PO Box 12488, Berkeley, CA, (510) 547-1118, or [www.eefc.org](http://www.eefc.org).

7/17-20 *WorldFest #12* at Fairgrounds in Grass  
7/20–26, 7/27–8/2 *Stockton Folk Dance Camp*. Two identical weeks, at Univ. of Pacific. Cristian Florescu and Sonia Dion, Romanian; Richard Schmidt, Polish; Tineke van Geel, Armenian; Roberto Bagnoli, Italian; Daniela Ivanova, Bulgarian; Radboud Koop (replacing Hennie Konings), Russian; Jerry Helt, Squares; Merilyn Gentry & Nora Nuckles, Island Dance. See ad.

8/1-9 *Lark In The Morning World Music & Dance Camp*. Info: [www.larkcamp.com](http://www.larkcamp.com).

## MASSACHUSETTS

6/13-15 *First Weekend* at Pinewoods Camp. Info: Linda Henry (413) 256-0673 or [lindapiano@gmail.com](mailto:lindapiano@gmail.com).

7/3-7 *Country Dance July 4th Weekend* at Pinewoods Camp, Info: Karen Axelrod (413) 584-4195, [karenaxelrod@yahoo.com](mailto:karenaxelrod@yahoo.com).

7/7-11 *English Scottish Session* at Pinewoods Camp. Info: (617) 864-3410 Jean Farrington, [jiffar@rcn.com](mailto:jiffar@rcn.com).

## NEW YORK

8/9-16 *Balkan Music & Dance Workshop* at Iroquois Springs, Rock Hill, New York. Info: [www.eefc.org](http://www.eefc.org).

## NORTH CAROLINA

The Swannanoa Gathering, Warren Wilson College, PO Box 9000, Asheville, NC 28815-9000, Info: (828) 298-3434, [gathering@warren-wilson.edu](mailto:gathering@warren-wilson.edu) or [www.swangathering.com](http://www.swangathering.com).

7/13-19 Celtic Week

7/20-26 Old-Time Week

7/27-8/2 Contemporary Folk Week

## OREGON

4/11-13 *2008 Spring Folk Dance Festival featuring Tom Bozigian with Sheree King Bozigian* teaching Dances from Armenia at Friendship Masonic Center, 5626 NE Alameda St., Portland. Info: Ros (503) 730-5135.

## WASHINGTON

4/19 *NFDI "Stockton, Part II" workshop*, Cedar Valley Grange, Lynnwood, WA. Info: Diane Vadnais (425) 889-0541 or [www.scn.org/arts/nfdi/](http://www.scn.org/arts/nfdi/).

6/29 *50th Skandia Midsommarfest* - 11:00 - 6:00 at St. Edward State Park, Kenmore, WA. Info: [Skandia-folkdance.org](http://Skandia-folkdance.org) or (206) 784-7470.

## FOREIGN

### ARMENIA

5/11-22 & 10/1-12 *Dance Tours of Armenia*, organized by Tineke van Geel. Info: [www.tinekevangeel.nl](http://www.tinekevangeel.nl).

### BULGARIA

7/27-8/2 *Bulgarian Folk Music & Dance Seminar*, Plovdiv, Bulgaria. Info: Larry Weiner (301) 565-0539 [larry@larryweiner.com](mailto:larry@larryweiner.com).

8/4–17/08 *Bulgaria!*, folk culture, dancing, and singing tour, led by Jim Gold. Koprivstitsa Festival. Info: (916) 371-4441, [TobaGoddard@hotmail.com](mailto:TobaGoddard@hotmail.com).

### CZECH REPUBLIC

8/21– 24 *Dance2008Bohemia*, international folkdance festival, in Prague and the regional Bohemian spa town of Podedbrady. Info: [www.ifbbohemia.cz/dance2008.html](http://www.ifbbohemia.cz/dance2008.html) or Jiri Pokorny, phone: +420 222 511 683.

### GREECE

7/2-6 *22nd World Congress on Dance Research*, Athens, Greece. Info: [president@cid-unesco.org](mailto:president@cid-unesco.org).

8/5-17 *Int'l Seminar of Greek Traditional Dances* in Western Macedonia with Yannis Konstantinou. Info: Caroline (415) 272-4641 or [carolinesimmonds@hotmail.com](mailto:carolinesimmonds@hotmail.com).

10/19-31 *Greek folk culture, dancing, history, art, etc.* with Jim Gold and Lee Otterholt. Info: Jim Gold (210) 836-0362, [www.jimgold.com](http://www.jimgold.com) or [jimgold@jimgold.com](mailto:jimgold@jimgold.com).

### NORWAY

5/14-24 *Norway!* led by Lee Otterholt. Folk Culture, Folk Dancing, History, Art, Music, Adventure! Info: Jim Gold (201) 836-0362, [www.jimgold.com](http://www.jimgold.com) or [jimgold@jimgold.com](mailto:jimgold@jimgold.com).

### POLAND

5/3-17 & 9/6-29 *Poland!* Folk culture, dancing, history, art, etc. Info: Jim Gold (201) 836-0362, [www.jimgold.com](http://www.jimgold.com) or [jimgold@jimgold.com](mailto:jimgold@jimgold.com).

# Calendar

## ROMANIA

4/26-5/3 *Dance & Cultural Tour to Romania* sponsored by the DOINA Foundation. Info: [stichting.doina@hetnet.nl](mailto:stichting.doina@hetnet.nl), [www.Stichting.Doina.nl](http://www.Stichting.Doina.nl).  
 10/11-18 *Dance & Cultural Tour to Romania*, Targu Mures - Transylvania, Info: [stichting.doina@hetnet.nl](mailto:stichting.doina@hetnet.nl), [www.Stichting.Doina.nl](http://www.Stichting.Doina.nl).

## RUSSIA

6/28-7/9 *Dance on the Water Cruise*, St. Petersburg to Moscow. Dancing led by Lee Otterholt, trip run by Mel Mann. Info: (510) 526-4033, [meldancing@aol.com](mailto:meldancing@aol.com).

## SERBIA

6/8-19 *Serbia*, Folk Culture, Folk Dancing, History, Art, etc. Info: Jim Gold (201) 836-8307, [jimgold@jimgold.com](mailto:jimgold@jimgold.com) or [www.jimgold.com](http://www.jimgold.com).

## TURKEY

5/2-18 *The Tangents Turkey Music Tour* - Explores the rich diversity of Anatolian music. Info: [tangentsturkeytour@gmail.com](mailto:tangentsturkeytour@gmail.com).



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## STATEWIDE 2008 GOLD RUSH JAMBOREE REGISTRATION

MAY 30 - JUNE 1, 2008 - PLACERVILLE/SHINGLE SPRINGS

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you wish email acknowledgement of registration? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

	(Students)	(Adults)	
Full Weekend Package* (excludes meals)			
Postmarked by May 15	(\$30.00)	\$55.00	X ___ = \$ _____
After May 15	(\$35.00)	\$65.00	X ___ = \$ _____
--- Prices Per Event ---			

Friday May 30:  
 7:00 - 11:00 PM Miners' Ball (\$8.00) \$15.00 X \_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday May 31:  
 9:30 am - 12:30 PM Classes (\$8.00) \$15.00 X \_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Box Lunch (pre-registration required) \$ 6.00 X \_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 2:00 - 5:00 PM Classes (\$8.00) \$15.00 X \_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 8:00 - 11:00 PM Jamboree Party (\$8.00) \$15.00 X \_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday June 1:  
 11:00 - 5:00 "Dancing on the Deck" Party \$10.00 X \_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 1:00 - Catered BBQ (pre-reg. required) \$15.00 X \_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Dance syllabus \$ 3.00 X \_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Children under 13 free for all dance events, excludes meals!

\* Weekend Package includes all classes, institute reviews, parties and syllabus; excludes meals.

Make checks payable to: Folk Dance Federation of California  
 Mail payment to: George Fairbrook  
 1001 W. Lincoln Rd - Unit Q  
 Stockton, CA 95207

For Any questions about payments, please call : (209) 474-1718

*The Tamburitzans*  
*are coming!*

When: May 17, 2008  
 Where: The Servite Theatre,  
 1952 W. La Palma Ave., Anaheim, CA 92801  
 Time: 7:00 PM

Tickets \$28 adult, reserved seat  
 \$20 general admission  
 Group rates available  
 To Purchase: 714-996-4313  
 or [www.annunciationbyzantine.org/tamburitzans.html](http://www.annunciationbyzantine.org/tamburitzans.html)

The Tamburitzans perform the music and dance of the Balkans and Eastern Europe. The troop is composed of dancers from across the globe, representing the best folk dancers performing today! This high energy show changes each year and is a feast for the eyes and ears. This is truly a must see performance.

# SIERRA STATEWIDE 2008 GOLD RUSH JAMBOREE

MAY 30-JUNE 1, 2008

## Placerville/Shingle Springs, CA

**KOVACS** (with Ellie Wiener)

teaching couples dances from Hungary

**MICHAEL GINSBURG**

teaching dances from the BALKANS



**Kovacs & Ellie**

Live music by  
Legacy at the  
Miners' Ball!

**Friday :**

7:00 - 11:00 PM Miners' Ball

**Saturday :**

9:30 - 12:30 PM Institute Classes

12:30 - 2:00 PM Lunch (box lunch avail\*\*)

N/S Committee Meeting

2:00 - 5:00 PM Institute Classes

5:00 - 7:30 PM Dinner on your own

7:30 - 8:00 PM Institute Review

with Michael Ginsberg

Jamboree Dance Party

8:00 - 11:00 PM

Sunday: Free Pancake Breakfast

9:00 - 10:30 AM Installation of New Officers

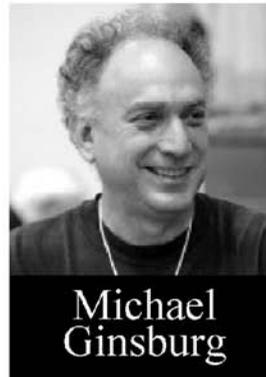
10:30 - 11:00 AM Institute Review

with Kovacs & Ellie

11:00 - 5:00 PM "Dancing on the Deck" Party

1:00 PM Catered BBQ\*\*

(\* preregistration required)



**Michael  
Ginsburg**

Join the fun!

**Our Host hotel this year: Best Western Placerville Inn  
6850 Greenleaf Dr., Placerville, CA 95667 (530) 622-9100**

**Mention the Folk Dance Federation for discounted rate of \$99, with  
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For more information: [www.statewidefolkdance.com](http://www.statewidefolkdance.com)

Email: [info@StatewideFolkdance.com](mailto:info@StatewideFolkdance.com) or **Teddy Wolterbeek (530) 677-1134**

## On the Scene

### APRIL AT LAGUNA FOLKDANCERS

Sunday Evening Teaching;

4-6 **Diki Shields** reviews *Brzak*

4-13 **Bob Altman** teaches *Cekurjankino Horo*

4-20 **Carol Maybrier** freshens up old favorites *Zalna Majka* (Macedonian) and *Ajnzerica* (Croatian)

4-27 Carol reviews *Zalna Majka* and *Ajnzerica*

The Laguna Folkdancers meet Sundays from 7:00 to 10:00 and Wednesdays from 7:30 -10:00 at the Community Center (Legion Hall), 384 Legion St., Laguna Beach. **Richard Duree** is currently teaching the Laguna Folkdancers Wednesday session.

Info: (949) 675-2199, [www.LagunaFolkdancers.org](http://www.LagunaFolkdancers.org).

— *Diane Baker*

### RAZZMATAZZ WEEKEND

There are a few spaces left for Razzmatazz Folk Dance Weekend, June 6-8 at Mendocino Woodlands. **Ahmet Luleci** will be teaching Turkish dances and Edessa plus Joe Finn and Paul Johnson will be playing music all weekend. For more info and a registration form, contact: [marilynmsmith@sbcglobal.net](mailto:marilynmsmith@sbcglobal.net).

### WEST L. A. FOLK DANCERS

Plan ahead for our party nights:

April Fools Party - Monday, March 31, 2008

Cinco De Mayo Party- Monday, May 5, 2008

Memorial Day Party - Monday, May 26, 2008

On party nights we dance from 7:30 until you are too tired to dance. All-request program played by Beverly and Irwin Barr. Bring something for the pot-luck table.

On Monday evenings, dances from the recent camps and workshops are taught, as well as teaching a review of dances for upcoming festivals. Easier dances will be taught beginning at 7:45, followed by intermediate dances. We dance until 10:30.

On Friday evenings we will teach some new and review dances that were taught at the recent camps and workshops, review set dances and have specialty nights. This is a fun evening with a lot of good dancing. Come and enjoy international line, circle, individual, couple, and set dances. We do them all. Dance from 7:45 to 10:30 p.m.

We all look forward to Monday and Friday nights and seeing our old and new friends. Come join us and

dance with one of the friendliest groups around. What fun we have dancing and learning good dances.

We meet every Monday and Friday evening at Brockton School and dance on a beautiful wooden floor. The address is 1309 Armacost, West L.A. (between Barrington and Bundy, 1 1/2 blocks north of Santa Monica Blvd.).

We look forward to seeing you. For information call (310) 202-6166 or (310) 478-4659.

— *Beverly & Irwin Barr*

### WESTWOOD CO-OP FOLK DANCERS' ANNUAL SPRING FESTIVAL

It's almost here. Don't miss this one. One of the best festivals of the year, Westwood Co-op's annual Spring Festival, Sunday, April 6, 1:30 - 5:30 in Culver City. It is like a big reunion every year, dancing and meeting up with old friends and new friends. The Culver City Veterans Memorial Auditorium is located at the corner of Overland Ave. and Culver Blvd. The festival is free and the parking is free. Even the fun is free.

Bring along a folk dance friend or a non-folk dancing friend, who may be a potential folk dancer. They can enjoy watching, get into a few easy dances, and have a chance to see and feel the enjoyment of folk dancing.

An after-party will be held at Felicia Mahood Sr. Center in West L. A., 11338 Santa Monica Blvd., corner of Corinth, following the festival. Catered Chinese buffet dinner and dancing will begin at 6:00. Reservations and payment in advance are necessary to attend the evening dinner and dancing.

For information about the festival or the after-party, please call Beverly Barr. Dinner reservations are being accepted by Irwin Barr (310) 202-6166 or (310) 478-4659. See ad in this issue.

— *Beverly Barr*

### VESELO SELO INFO FOR APRIL AND MAY

April 5 - **Bob Altman** teaches *Guli*

April 12 -Bob Altman reviews *Guli*

April 19 - All Request Night

April 26 - Nostalgia Night... dance to the "oldies."

May 3 - May Day celebration with the May Pole Dance, always fun.

May 10 - Master teacher **Anthony Ivancich** will be teaching a variety of dances.

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May 17 - **Henrietta Bemis** will review Ivancich dances.

May 24 - Memorial Day party. All request dancing. Bring snacks to share.

May 31 - Fun for All night with hostess **Carol Maybrier**. This night features dances anyone can do with a few 1-minute reviews where needed.

## INTERNATIONAL ROMA DAY

On Sunday April 6th at Pacific Arts Center, 10469 Santa Monica Blvd. L. A. there will be a **Voice of Roma** benefit to aide the struggling Roma in Kosovo. A full day of music, dance and celebration with **Sani Rifati** on dumbek, **Chris Bajamkovich** on accordion, **Rumen Sali Shopov** on strings and tambura!

This is a landmark event in Los Angeles at an amazing and reasonable cost. Nothing like it has happened before in Los Angeles as I understand it. Some of the classes given, will also be taught with live music. Please come and be a part of the Roma community's presentation of their own music and dance with other highly qualified instructors who have been invited by Voice of Roma promoter, **Katherine Goldsby**

~ 12:30pm - 2pm \$15.00 'Living Room' Roma solo. dancing with hand gesture symbols, room 1. Instructor - Katherine Goldsby [www.myspace.com/thevoiceofroma](http://www.myspace.com/thevoiceofroma)

~ 2:00 - 3:30 \$15.00 Turkish Kashlama 9/8 steps and movement from traditional to modern. Instructor - **Marguerite Kusuhara** and drummer, **Jerry Summers** [www.gypsymagic.com/](http://www.gypsymagic.com/)

~ 3:30 - 5:00 \$15.00 Barefoot Zambra Flamenco. Instructor - **Arleen Hurtado** and guitarist, **Benjamin** [www.myspace.com/arleenhurtado](http://www.myspace.com/arleenhurtado)

~ 3:30 - 5:00 \$15.00 Accordion class. Instructor - **Chris Bajamkovich** [www.phantomranch.net](http://www.phantomranch.net)

~ 5:00 - 6:30 \$15.00 (\$10. for students buying evening party ticket) Greek/Balkan Folkdance Mix. Instructor - **Madelyn Taylor** [www.pacificartscenter.com/](http://www.pacificartscenter.com/)

~ 5:00 - 6:30 \$15.00 room 2 percussion class, davul and darabuka instructor - **Rumen Sali Shopov**

Evening Party 7:30- 11:00 \$15.00 The evening party will feature special performances by the guest instructors! **Sani Rifati** is the special guest instructor.

The Voice of Roma's primary purpose is to organize, promote, and provide educational and charitable projects for and about Roma, with a special emphasis on the inclusion of Romani women, with a voice, in their local communities, as well as nationally and internationally. Voice of Roma P.O. Box 514 Sebastopol, CA 95473, [voiceofroma@comcast.net](mailto:voiceofroma@comcast.net), (707) 823-7941

Please contact Katherine for more info: [katherinamarie@hotmail.com](mailto:katherinamarie@hotmail.com)

## A SERIES OF CONCERTS FOR KOREAN MUSIC AND DANCE

In a collaborative effort, the Korean Cultural Center and UCLA Ethnomusicology Department cordially invite you to a series of Korean music and dance concerts, featuring students from the Ethnomusicology Department. The concerts will be held April 25, June 27, August 29, October 31, and December 19 at the Korean Cultural Center of Los Angeles. The concerts will include court and folk music and dance, as well as contemporary Korean music and dance.

We would be honored by your presence for these concerts. 7:00 P.M. at the Korean Cultural Center, Los Angeles, 3rd Floor Ari Hall, 5505 Wilshire Blvd. Los Angeles.

Free parking, at the back of the building, entrance on Dunsmuir Ave.

Discounted Parking: 5455 Wilshire Blvd. Los Angeles CA 90036

Info: (323) 936-7141(ext.123), [www.kccla.org](http://www.kccla.org).

— *Jin Y. Sung*  
— *Consulate General of The Republic of Korea*

## TRAVEL AND DANCE WITH BEVERLY & IRWIN BARR IN 2008

The great response to the notice of our plans for a European Cruise in Sept. 2008 was very gratifying. By the time you are reading this, we may have all the plans. We look forward to another outstanding cruise experience.

We are researching European cruises, including some or all of the following: Croatia, Spain, Italy, Greece, and Turkey, in early September, 2008. A decision on the best cruise at the best price will be made soon. We will keep everyone posted with ads in Folk Dance Scene and flyers. Our goal is to be on an

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enjoyable and interesting trip and have fun with a great group of very friendly people.

Call Beverly & Irwin at (310) 202-6166 or (310) 478-4659 for information and details, and be with us for another wonderful time together.

## MAINEWOODS FOLKLORE CAMP

Mainewoods is a wonderful dance camp, but it is so much more. So often we hear campers refer to "The Mainewoods Experience."

What is The Mainewoods Experience? It is the beautiful Maine setting, the ethnic festivities, the wonderful people, both staff and campers, the friendly atmosphere, the incredible ethnic meals, and so many small touches that make Mainewoods a truly unique experience. Is there plenty of dancing? You bet! But there is so much in addition.

For 2008 only, there will be 2 week-long sessions and a Labor Day weekend session. 2009 will have 3 weeks again as usual.

Session 1: August 16 - August 22

Roberto Bagnoli - Italian

David Vinski - Balkan

Maurice Perez - Israeli

Barbara Pixton - International folk musician

Session 2: August 23 - August 29

Kay Munn - Scottish

Daniela Ivanova - Bulgarian

Wim Bekooy - International

Susan Anderson & Carol Wadlinger - International folk musicians

Labor Day Weekend: August 29 - September 1

Monique Legare - Hungarian

Ron Wixman - Balkan

## BULGARIAN FOLK MUSIC & DANCE SEMINAR

The website for the 2008 Bulgarian Folk Music & Dance Seminar in Plovdiv, Bulgaria is now almost complete and contains detailed information about the teachers and daily schedule. This Seminar is especially designed for non-Bulgarians (or Bulgarians interested in connecting with their "roots" music and dance) who want a more in-depth opportunity to learn traditional instruments, singing styles, and dance than is normally possible for groups or individuals traveling to Bulgaria.

This richly unique program couples the knowledge of teachers at the Plovdiv Music Academy with tradition

bearers throughout the country. Many classes will be taught by village "masters" from various regions in Bulgaria; the dance program, in particular, features different groups of musicians and dancers throughout the week, teaching dances from their own villages.

July 27, 2008 - August 2, 2008, Plovdiv, Bulgaria. <http://www.folkseminarplovdiv.com>.

## NEWS FROM STOCKTON FOLK DANCE CAMP

We will be learning Russian dances at Stockton this summer. Hennie Konings will be unable to be with us, so one of the finest dancers from his company will be coming to teach us in his place. We look forward to meeting **Radboud Koop**, from the Netherlands.

By popular demand, we are bringing back **Merilyn Gentry** and **Nora Nuckles** to teach dances from the islands during the afternoon workshop session. Some of these dances will no doubt be shared with the whole camp at the Island-themed mid-week party.

Our Saturday banquet and party themes will be Romanian first week and Polish second week. We hope you will be able to join us this summer. A registration form is included in this issue.

— *Karen Wilson-Bell*

## WESTERN MACEDONIAN GREEK SEMINAR

**Yannis Konstantinou** organizes his International Seminar of Greek Traditional Dances in the Western Macedonian region of Greece from August 5th to 17th, 2008. It will be in the village of Lemos, above the Prespes Lakes ... a region rich in history where traditions are held dear and still strictly observed.

Traditional dances in this part of Macedonia are still very alive and we have many opportunities to join the residents of the neighboring villages and share with them the happiness in dancing their own dances.

The program presents facets of traditional dance and music from various regions of Greece. The teachers are native from the region taught and respectful of their traditions: Macedonia, Epirus, Thraki, Podos, Crete/Islands, Minor Asia, Thessalia.

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