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On the cover: West Valley Folk Dancers, and furry friend September 22, 2016. Photo by Don Krotser.



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Teacher's Corner

Editors' Corner

We enjoyed the changing season as we visited West Valley and Narodni in preparation for this issue. See *lagniappe*, (something extra) on page 19.

Find your own adventures in Calendar, ads, On the Scene and Club Directory.

Hear from your fellow-dancers in Dancers Speak and Poetry Corner.

Be of good cheer!

Pat Cross and Don Krotser

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Ira Weisburd has been teaching and choreographing folk and line dances for more than 30 years. He has taught international and Israeli folk dancing in Florida at regular Wednesday and Saturday classes in Margate as well as Wednesday classes for the Boca Raton Folk

Dancers and Mondays at various venues at Valencia Isles.

He is especially known for his Latin-style line dances, and has made his mark on the world of Israeli folk dancing through his own dances and through collaborations with well-known Israeli choreographers.

Ira also has taught at the Beaver Folk Dancing Special Event in Pennsylvania and given workshops throughout the USA. He recently embarked on a world tour with workshops in Asia, Australia, and New Zealand.

Ira lives in Boca Raton, Florida with his wife Diane.

Ed.Note: The above bio was taken from Dick Oakes' excellent web-site: <http://phantomranch.net/folkdance/folkdanc.htm>

You can see Ira in person at the Camp Hess Kramer weekend, October 21-23. He will also be giving workshops at some clubs. Check Calendar and OTS for dates and places.



WEST VALLEY FOLK DANCERS

In October West Valley Folk Dancers will celebrate 57 years of happy dancing. Several people have been with us from nearly the beginning. Way back then the western San Fernando Valley was a fast-growing bedroom community, when Allen and Byrdie Pelton and two other couples decided to establish a folk dance club. Allen had been the first president of the Folk Dance Federation, South, and the new club immediately became a member of the Federation. For the first 19 years the group danced at one of the old elementary schools, built long enough ago to have a real hardwood floor in the small auditorium.

The club grew by attracting people who, like the founders, had enjoyed dancing in other areas before moving to the West Valley to raise families. All through the early years the children came on Friday night, playing with toys in a back corner, graduating to card games on the stage, and finally, after a summer workshop series, able to join in the dancing.

The club was organized as a cooperative, which helped build a sense of ownership and involvement, which still prevails. Although the dedication of the close-knit group was our strength, its "in-grown isolation" was a limitation. Busy with careers, families and dichondra lawns, we rarely went to institutes, festivals, or camps. We were becoming a living museum, preserving the dances of the past 20 years, but out of touch with the rest of the current dance scene. We needed new dancers.

This changed in the 70's with the establishment of a strong program of beginner and intermediate teaching. Shared responsibility remains a conscious goal involving new people in club tasks, and we still have the reputation as a friendly, welcoming group. Our festivals have been very well attended, even though we are in the Valley, which some folks think is another country!

Our annual installation parties are held at the home of Mel Wilson, one of our very early members, who left for career and family reasons. After his wife died and children were grown, he happened to read about an upcoming festival in Woodland Hills; he came, danced, and returned to West Valley. In a year he was president, a post he'd held many years before. Many of our members have been so for 40 or more years, myself included.

In the 80's we had a group of boys, wards of Jim Macdonald, who took them everywhere, and they stayed with us for several years, bringing our average age way down, and giving all of us a lot of fun. One, Mark, became a strong dancer, joined our performing group, and went on to dance with Polskie Iskry, a professional Polish group.

As a co-op, about a half-dozen of us take turns doing the teaching. In addition, the club has had guest teachers quite often, including Yves and France Moreau, Jaap Leegwater, Cristian Florescu and Sonia Dion, Billy Burke, Tom Bozigian, Athan Karras, Nicolas Helferink, Wen-Li Chiang and Sue Chen, Ada Dziejowska, and Zeljko Jergan, among others. That tradition continues: see below.



Joan and Paul Waller

As happened with many groups, we were forced to move several times, mostly because of basketball, which is more lucrative, but not because they didn't



l. to r.: Sylvia Mehr-Assa, Rose Cicinelli, Judy Garris, Susan Isaksen, and Monica Zordich enjoying a dance

like us. The Woodland Hills Recreation Center has always welcomed us back for festivals, although they could not give us Friday nights anymore. Now we dance at the Canoga Park Senior Center, even though we aren't all seniors. It's a really nice venue on Jordan between Saticoy and Sherman Way. Our programs used to be evenly divided between circle and couple dances, but now we have more line and circle dances, along with some new and old couple dances. We welcome all comers, beginners through advanced dancers. We meet on Fridays, 7:15 to 10 p.m.

Upcoming events: We will have Ira Weisburd as a guest teacher on Friday October 28, and our anniversary party will be held on Friday November 18. Both events are at the center.

Jill Michtom

Some of the information about our early days was excerpted from an article that was in Folk Dance Scene in October 1984, written by Lila Aurich and Harry Kues.

Thanks to Jay Michtom for the following pictures from the mid-1990s.



l. to r. : Larry Stern, Fred O'Brien, Walter Phillip, Jay Michtom, Paul Waller, Wally Aurich and Bob Alexander at an Oktober fest at which West Valley performed



l. to r.: Jill Michtom, Joan Waller, Mickey Stern, Helga O'Brien, Gerri Alexander. Lottie Phillip, Bunny Hogan and Lila Aurich all decked out in their dirndls



Some West Valley dancers on 'Horseback' at a party that had an Ascot theme



Jill and Jay Michtom practicing their lion-tamer routine for a party with a circus theme

CALENDAR

Note: Federation events are in bold.

CALL TO CONFIRM ALL EVENTS

OCTOBER

- 1 *Playford-to-the-Present Ball English Country Dance Ball*, Saturday 7:00 p.m. at Pasadena Scottish Rite Cathedral, 150 N. Madison Ave. Pasadena 91101. Info: Pat Green 626.449.8433, patgreen2722@gmail.com or Sparky Sotcher 310.827.3618, sparkyp2p@gmail.com
- 3 *Celtic Dance – Jam Session*. Learn and dance the ceili with CnaG Gaelic League of LA's dance division Ceili Rua (Wild Gathering). At Ford Amphitheatre, 2580 Cahuenga Blvd. East, Hollywood 90068. Info: 323.461.3673
- 7-9 *Greek Festival*, Friday 5:00-9:00 p.m., Saturday 12:00-11:00 p.m., Sunday 12:00-10:00 p.m. at St. Sophia, 1324 S. Normandie, Los Angeles 90006. Info: 323.737.2424
- 7-9 *Greek Festival*, Friday 5:00-9:00 p.m., Saturday 11:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m., Sunday 12:00-6:00 p.m. at Sts. Constantine and Helen, 43404 30th St. West, Lancaster 93536. Info: 661.945.1212
- 8 *Folk/Roots* festival sponsored by Folkworks. Workshops in instruments and singing, dancing, concert. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., Santa Monica locations. Info: FWFolkRootsFestival.com
- 9 *Culver City English Country Dance*, Sunday 4:00-7:00 p.m. Caller: Ric Goldman. Music by Interfolk Band at Lindberg Stone House, Lindberg Park, 5041 Rhoda Way, Culver City, CA 90230. Info: Kevin Savage 310.650.8570 or www.caldancecoop.org
- 14 *Sleeping Beauty* presented by Russian Grand Ballet, Fri. 8:00 p.m. at the Alex Theatre, 214 No. Brand Blvd., Glendale, CA 91203. Info: 800.840.9227
- 15 *Dances of Peru from Peru to the World*, Sat. 8:00 p.m. at the Alex Theatre. See above.

IRA WEISBURD'S SO. CALIFORNIA WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

- 18 **Los Osos Folk Dance Workshop**, Tuesday 1-3:00 p.m. at So. Bay Community Center, 2180 Palisades Ave., Los Osos 93401. Info: Anne 805.534.1501 or annetiber@charter.net
- 19 *I Dance Line Dance Workshop*, Wednesday 7-10:00 p.m. at I Dance Studio, 21803 Avalon Blvd., Carson 90745. Info: Aurie Perisme 310.489.8606 or maurieper@aol.com
- 20 **Narodni Int'l Folk Dance Workshop**, Thursday 7:30-10:30 p.m. at Bellflower Woman's Club, 9402 Oak St., Bellflower 90706. Info: Julith 562.881.9504 or julithilona@gmail.com
- 21-23 **Camp Hess Kramer Folk Dance Weekend**, Friday-Sunday. Info: Beverly Barr 310.202.6166 or dancingbarrs@yahoo.com
- 25 *Line Dance Workshop*, Tues 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Fountain Valley Rec. Center, 16400 Brookhurst, Fountain Valley 92708. Info: Vickie 951.809.8010 or vickie@promodonnas.com
- 26 *Manhattan Beach Line Dance Workshop* Wed. 1-4:00 p.m. at Manhattan Beach Community Church, 303 S. Peck Ave., Manhattan Beach 90266. Info: Noel 310.374.4329 or castlewr@msn.com
- 28 *Irvine Line Dance Workshop* Fri. 1-3:30 p.m. at Lake View Senior Center, 20 Lake Rd., Irvine 92604. Info: Charlie Choi 949.351.1197 or khchoi345@sbcglobal.net
- 28 **West Valley Folk Dance Workshop** Fri. 7:30-9:30 p.m. at Canoga Park Senior Center, 7326 Jordan Ave., Canoga Park 91305. Info: Lila Aurich 818.348.6133 or lila@aurich.com
- 29 *Huntington Beach Line Dance Workshop* Sat. 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. & 1:30-3:30 p.m. at Rogers Senior Center, 18041 Goldenwest St., Huntington Beach 92648. Info: Suzy 714.315.9092 or suzyhazard@gmail.com
- 30 **Laguna Woods Folk Dance Workshop** Sun. 7-10:00 p.m. at Laguna Woods Clubhouse #2, 24112 Moulton Pkwy, Laguna Woods 92637. Info: Miriam 949.770.726 or 7miriamkahn@gmail or Lee 949.933.6294 or leeotterholt@yahoo.com

21 *Celebrate Forsythe* – 3 major U.S. ballet companies: San Francisco Ballet, Pacific Northwest Ballet & Houston Ballet, Fri. 8:00 p.m., at The Music Center, 135 No. Grand Ave., Los Angeles 90012. Info: 213.972.7211

21-23 2016 Camp Hess Kramer Camps' Review Weekend, See OTS and ad. Info: Beverly Barr 310.202.6166 or dancingbarrs@yahoo.com

23 *Macedonian Church Festival*, Sun. 12:00 p.m. at St. Mary Macedonian Orthodox Church, 10550 Whittier Blvd., Whittier, CA 90606. Live music by Chris Bajamkovic. Info: Cane Carovski 323.819.1961, Church 562.695.3323 or moc.stmary.ca@gmail.com

27 Halloween Party at Narodni, Thurs. 7:30-10:30 p.m. at Woman's Club of Bellflower, 9402 Oak St., Bellflower. Come in costume (or not). Info: Julith 562.404.383, 562.881.9504 (cell) or www.narodni.org

29 *Ragamala Dance Co.*- Classical Dance of India, Sat. 8:00 p.m. at Valley Performing Arts Center, 18111 Nordhoff St., Northridge. Info: 818.677.3000 or www.valleyperformingartscenter.org

NOVEMBER

6 *Beginners Folk Dance Festival, Sunday, 1:30-5:30 p.m. at Woman's Club, 9402 Oak St., Bellflower, CA 90706. Beginners free, all others \$5.00 or free if you bring a new dancer. Info: Pauline Klak 310.832.1074, www.narodni.org or www.SoCalFolkDance.org*

12 *Café Aman*, Saturday, 7:30 p.m., Bulgarian/Macedonian music with Veselba, at LA DanceFit, 10936 Santa Monica Blvd., West LA 90025. Info: madelyntaylor@hotmail.com

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

10/14 *Sacramento Line Dance Workshop* with Ira Weisburd Fri. 7-10:00 p.m. at Veteran's Memorial Hall, 110 Park Dr., Roseville 95678. Info: Toni 916.508.1236 or tnt123@hotmail.com

10/16 *Benecia Line Dance Workshop* with Ira Weisburd Sun. 1-4:30 p.m. at Clock Tower, 1189 Washington St., Benecia 94510. Info: Susan 707.751.3731 or sba412@gmail.com

OUT OF STATE

WASHINGTON

10/7-9 *International Folk Dancers of Richland 62nd Annual Festival*, instructor: Stephen Kotansky. Fri. night dance party; Sat. – Instruction & evening party; Sun. – Instruction & review. Events at Shuffler Shanty in Kennewick, WA. Info: Barb Puigh 509.948.0572 or blp509@aol.com

FOREIGN

EUROPE FROM A TO Z

7/4-17/2017 *Amsterdam to Zurich!* Sail the Rhine from Netherlands to Switzerland stopping at Cologne, Mannheim, Strasbourg and Lake Lucerne. Info: Marija & David Hillis 2147 Parker St., Berkeley, CA 94704. See ad. Info: 510.549.0337 or www.folkdanceonthewater.org or folkdanceonthewater@gmail.com

GREECE

10/15-28 *Folk Tour to Greece* led by Jim Gold and Lee Otterholt. See ad. Info: Jim Gold, jimgold@jimgold.com or www.jimgold.com

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11/7-21 *Folk Tour to India* led by Lee Otterholt. See ad. Info: Jim Gold, jimgold@jimgold.com or www.jimgold.com



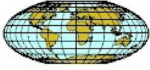
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Oct. 22 Review of Alexandru's dances.

Oct. 29 DARK

MOUNTAIN DANCERS

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WEST VALLEY FOLK DANCERS

The teaching for October will be: Anna's Waltz, a Swedish non-partner dance taught by Roo Lester at Mainwoods Dance Camp, and a review of *Melnik*, Bulgarian line dance.

In October we will be having a guest teacher, Ira Weisburd. His dances have always been very popular, so we are looking forward to this session. Put Friday night, October 28, on your calendars.

We dance Friday nights from 7:15 until 10:00 at the Canoga Park Sr. Center, 7326 Jordan Ave., that's just north of Sherman Way, between Canoga and Topanga. The facility has a lovely wood floor and adjacent convenient parking. First night is always free. See you there. Info: JayMichtom@yahoo.com, 818.368.1957.

FOLK DANCE PARTY IN VENTURA

The Ventura International Folk Dancers are planning a folk dance party on a Sunday afternoon/

evening in November, before Thanksgiving. We will dance in the lovely studio at the Channel Islands YMCA, playing many requests along with our own repertory of delightful dances. Please come dance with us! Come early and visit our beaches or our many cool thrift stores and other local fun attractions. Details to follow when the date and time are confirmed. Contact Valerie for up-to-date info on that: Dancing.Valerie@gmail.com

Valerie Daley

NARODNI

October 6 & 13 Karen Codman will be reviewing dances taught by Iliana: *Yuta* and *Adzhibelik*.

October 20 We will be hosting Ira Weisburd. He will have CD's, dance notes, and YouTube access to videos of the dances taught available. Invite all your friends for this special evening. Donation is a \$5.00 minimum.

October 27 Narodni's Halloween party. Put on a costume and join us for our traditional dance with tricks and treats.

Our regular meeting night is Thursday at the Bellflower Woman's Club from 7:30 to 10:30. If you want to get on the mailing list to receive our weekly email announcements, you can sign up at narodni@callicomp.info.

For more information, contact Julith Neff at 562.881.9504 (cell). You can also visit our website at www.narodni.org for basic information.

Julith Neff

CAMP HESS KRAMER FOLK DANCE WEEKEND

October 21-22-23, 2016

Don't miss the 32nd year of enjoying the Camp Hess Kramer Weekend Folk Dance Workshop: This is one of the best and happiest folk dance weekends. There is a revised flyer in this issue of *Scene* with updated information about this weekend workshop. If you have not signed up yet for the weekend, you better do it now, as it is almost here. Don't forget to register for one of the best events that happen every year in October.

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We look forward to having you join us Oct. 21-22-23

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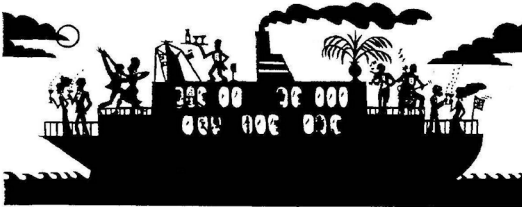
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Folk dancer Louis Richter writes in on how to make newcomers to your club feel welcomed and comfortable.

Any other comments from readers would be very appreciated.

As international folk dancers we are generalists: We go for breadth (maximum different cultures) at the cost of depth (profound familiarity with one culture). Some people specialize in dances of one culture -- depth at the cost of breadth.

When I see new faces at our dance, I ask them about their dance experience. This is to make them feel respected, to know what cues might be meaningful to them, and to avoid the gaffe of lecturing them on a genre of dances in which they are expert.

Louis Richter

REMEMBERING ARNOLD DOLMATZ

Recently the folk-dance world lost a long-time and skilled dancer and I lost a dear and valued friend, Arnold Dolmatz. Arnold was a man for all seasons. He especially loved the fast folkdances with complicated foot work and Scottish sets with complicated patterns. A teller of jokes and stories, he brought humor and smiles into every class. And, of course, he brought his special brand of enthusiasm and energy.

Beyond all that Arnold was a brilliant man having the degree of doctor of optometry and a long and successful career as an optometrist. After retiring he took courses in higher math and history "just for fun." He was a marvelous cook and baker and brought homemade goodies for special occasions to dance class. And he continued to create fantastic decorations for family celebrations and other occasions. These creations were true works of art.

Marilyn and Arnold were active folkdancers and attended numerous statewide activities and festivals for many years. Arnold danced with Sam Mednick, Beverly Barr, and longest and most recently with JoAnne McCulloch. He also was active for many years with a private Scottish set dance practice group. Later, after he was left alone, Arnold continued his dancing, stories, baking, creating, and hiding his grief. But, most of all, Arnold was a family

man, loyal and loving to his wife and a proud and loving father and grandfather.

Arnold and Marilyn were wonderful friends to me (and my husband Sy) for 40 years. They made our small Scottish set practice groups a place of joy and humor. We all miss him and will never forget him.

Lillian Rodich

STOCKTON FOLK DANCE CAMP 2016

The Candlelight Ceremony at Stockton Folk Dance Camp is held each of the two weeks to welcome the dancers who are there for the first time. This year there were about 30 new campers. All campers receive a small candle while the "Each Candle Lights Anew" song is sung by all, led by a chorus. A large lighted candle is brought in and set in the center of the floor on a small table. The "old timers," having been at camp 25 or more years, are asked to make a circle around it. Then the first-timers are asked to form a circle around them. Finally, all the others form the third, outermost circle.

Since I am the oldest in attendance at Camp, 67 consecutive years, I am asked to light my candle and then light the candles of some of the others who then will light all the others. The MC (Bruce Mitchell, past director of the camp, and a few years behind me in attendance) asks me to lead the usual dance, *Lesnoto Oro*. The entire orchestra then follows me around the floor filled with a circle of dancers, the drum player at my side (which is the custom in Balkan tradition). To my surprise, after a long dance to several Lesnoto songs, the circle wound to a logical end, the drum was set in front of me and two men were ready to help me to the top (the picture). Later, hands free, I waved to the cheering crowd. This was a great honor indeed!

John Filcich



POETRY CORNER

OCTOBER

Solitude
Motionless
And alive
With barely perceptible pulse
Wind chimes
In the distance

Dried leaves drift away
From lonely branches
A flutter of sound
Muted in frosted dawn

Loneliness
Without regret
Within a gray frame
Crystal reflections

Memories
Awakened in fall
Energy
diffused from dreams

October evening
Canopy of stars
Away from city lights
Embroidered with music
Wind chimes
In the distance

Lillian Rodich

FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION

Gather up your mother,
Father, sister, brother.
Teach *T'filati*;
They'll clearly see:
One good turn deserves another.

Carl Pilsecker

THE ALCHEMY OF KOLO

Step, step, step
The pattern repeats over and over
Step, step, step
Fixed in the embrace of tempo
Step, step, step
Attention wavers in the monotony
And monitoring weakens its grip
The mind begins to hover above physical space
It becomes an unanchored vessel
Floating along a river of musical fluidity
A spark arises in the core of feeling
I start to smile
My eyes begin to close
Exuberance suffuses my limbs
Exhilaration bubbles up
I feel
Joy

N A Louie

MORSELS OF MERRIMENT

Gleaning the dance for all the good things
that harvest of riches prosperity brings,
like *Joc de Doi's* dazzle and twirl of *To Ting*,
Smilyana, Rokoko -- each a well spring.

Morsels of merriment, ministering mirth,
miraculous moments filled with great worth
give birth... to inward smiles
that carry us miles and miles.

Camille Dull

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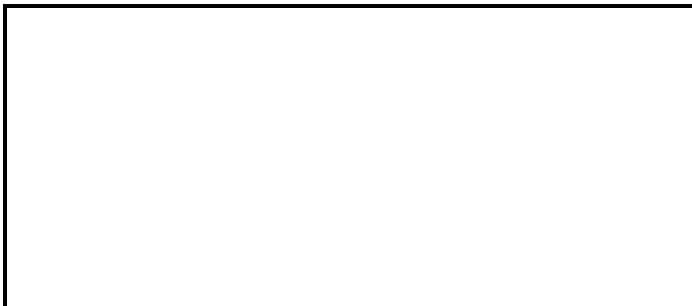
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