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On the cover: The singer Pili sings to María Albaicín at the Corral de Morería, Madrid. Her attitude and dress (bata de cola) are typical of the Alegrías.

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EDITORS' CORNER

Just passing the fall equinox, we bring you Flamenco as the cover story (the cover photo and caption are from Pohren 1962). See also the Poetry Corner, expanded to two pages to accommodate the enthusiasm of the poets this month.

The Teachers Corner features André Montsion, who will be teaching at Camp Hess Kramer - see On The Scene for more on the camp and photos of the other teachers.

Use the Calendar also for information on upcoming events.

There are four items for your consideration in Dancers Speak.

Be of good cheer!

Pat Cross and Don Krotser

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TEACHERS CORNER



The following bio was taken from Dick Oakes' excellent website:

www.phantomranch.net André Montsion was born in Québec's Outaouais, of French Canadian parents. Music and dance have always been part of his life. Hull (now called Gatineau) was founded around 1800 and saw people of different areas, including his grandparents,

moving in to find work. The mix of English, French, Irish, and Scottish made for some interesting differences in the way the people of the area dance.

André did some folk dancing when he was ten years old. He stopped then started again at age fifteen and hasn't stopped since.

From fun to serious work, he took jazz, ballet, and character dance in order to perform stage-style folklore. He learned dances in Greece, Hungary, and Romania. Research and travel have completed his understanding of the relationship between dance, culture, history, society, and the spirituality of many people and his university studies complement his folk dance activities.

André is a teacher at the elementary, secondary, and college levels, and is a specialist at a university. He is manager/owner of retail stores, is the owner of a computer training center, and is a professor and specialist in folk dance. He also has a part in a nonprofit national organization for youth and is a member of the International Dance Council of UNESCO.

He was the artistic director and workshop teacher for *ArLeDs*, a dancer with *Ami Hai Israeli Dance Company* of Ottawa, *Orpheus* Operatic Society of Ottawa, the *International Dance Ensemble* of Ottawa, the *International Folk Dance Ensemble* of New York under the direction of Lori Shapiro, and the *Ottawa Board of Education*. He has been a teacher with the *Gatineau Board of Education*, and the Hungarian community of Ottawa; a choreographer with the Nepean Center Point Choir, a and *Montreal Popular Arts*. He has taught workshops

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FLAMENCO

The first written notice about Flamenco is found in one of the Cartas Marruecas by Cadahalso (authorized 1774, published 1789), who attributes its origin to the Gypsies, or at least specifies that it is together with them where its manifestations are to be found. The Gypsies migrated in various waves, fleeing oppression and war, from SE Pakistan/NW India, arriving in Spain in the mid-fifteenth century. The long campaign of Christian re-conquest from the 800-year Moorish period culminated in the Treaty of Málaga in 1492 – in which religious tolerance was promised by Ferdinand and Isabella. They reversed themselves, and the inquisition demanded that non-Christians convert or leave. So the Gypsies were repressed on a grand scale in which 50,000 Moriscos were forcibly baptized in 1499 amid the similar repression of the Jews.

Out of the Gypsies' and others' sufferings came the sadness or the *cante iondo* (deep song) of Flamenco. The oldest songs were sung *a palo seco* (keeping time with a dry stick hitting the ground) as guitars were only gradually developing to their modern form and becoming available to poorer classes as Flamenco developed commercially. It became recognized and popular only in the second half of the 19th century – the golden age of *Cafés Cantantes.* In those times the folk music became a vehicle for artists to seek or win broad fame as Flamencos. Out of this phase of cafe music there developed a popularity that supported staged concerts in the 20th century, and the *café* period faded until a renaissance of authentic folk flamenco emerged in the mid-20th century.

A romantic view of Flamenco is presented in **The Art of Flamenco**, by D. E. Pohren (1962). After an introduction he presents a story, "Donkey Back", of a trip of his into the mountains, making acquaintance with a shepherd – traveling and camping with him and his flock on the way to a fair, playing guitar and drinking into the nights with celebrants in gypsy weddings at the fair.

The first art of flamenco is the *cante*, which was performed *a palo seco*, and still is for some styles. The voice of the *cantaor* is preferably rough, the verses obscure to a non-native. The musical form is

commonly embellished with *melismas* (more than one note to a syllable).

The power of authenticity is expressed as *duende* – the ability of a performer to transmit emotional involvement to the audience. In **Insider's Guide to Flamenco**, by Jaime Santos (Polansky Publications 1966), an incident is reported: "About 50 years ago a woman was dancing the *Petenera* with such emotion that the audience was transfixed. Many remarked that it was the greatest dancing they had ever seen. The dancer kept on until she reached such a peak of frenzy that the audience could no longer stand her suffering; they had become part of it. Then suddenly the dancer crashed to the floor and died almost immediately of a heart attack."

The *baile* may be considered the second in importance and is absent from some styles of flamenco, such as "the Cantes de Levante (the southwest region of Spain) [which] have no definite rhythm. There is another group of songs without rhythm called the *cantes a palo seco*. Their main characteristic is that they have no guitar accompaniment." (Jaime Santos) The dance may be solo, couple, or group. The style for women is primarily expressed in the grace of the upper body posture and movement of the hands and arms, although zapateado (shoe stamping) has become expected also. For men the posture is more upright, movements more expressive of power, with zapateado more integral throughout than for women. Costumes are customary - for the man somewhat like a *toreador* – without the decorations, for the women colorful dresses - sometimes with a cola (train).

The guitarist in traditional flamenco is an accompanist for the singer and dancer and must accommodate their needs for supporting rhythm and chording. The *compás* is the time structure which must be honored according to the song – expressed in strums, *rasgueados*, arpeggios, *golpes*, and in improvisations (*falsetas*) between verses. The pitch (key) must be accommodated to the singer's voice; the chord sequence is fixed within the *compás* of the song.

Flamenco songs and dances can be classified according to rhythm and emotional content: the most common rhythm is 1 2 <u>3</u> 4 5 <u>6</u> 7 <u>8</u> 9 <u>10</u> (1 <u>2</u>). The first group in this category are all serious melancholy minors: *Soleares, La Caña, El Polo, Soleariya.* The second group is much gayer: *Alegrias, Mirabrás, Caracoles, Romeras, Rosas. Alegrias* means happiness, is played in a major key. The third, *Bulerias,* is fast and tricky, played in any key, major or minor.

The second category is made up of the *Seguidilla* (*Seguiriya*), *Serrana*, *Cabales*, all depressed to melancholy (except *Cabales*, used as last verse in *Seguidilla*): rhythm 1 2 3 (4) 5 (6) 7

Serrana I raised a lamb in my flock From too many caresses it turned wild The more you caress a woman the wilder she gets

The *Cantes de Levante* include *Malagueña* (from *Málaga*), *Granaína*, and *Taranta* – also *Cartagenera*, *Murciana* and *Minera*, all versions of the *Taranta*.

There is another group of songs without rhythm called the *cantes a palo seco* – they have no guitar accompaniment; *Saetas, Martinetes, deblas, Carceleras, Tronás*.

The *Farruca* (a male solo dance), *Tangos, Tanguillo, Zapateado, Rumba, Zambra, Tientos (Antiguos* – slow and serious, *Castaneros* – simply a tango), *Taranto* are all in simple 1 2 3 4 time.

Sevillanas, Fandangos de Huelva, Jaberas, Verdiales are usually danced by a group, in simple 1 2 3 time.

(adapted from Jaime)

A *cuadro* flamenco includes *jaleo* – the encouragement of the artists by others than the performers of the moment with *palmas* – rhythmic clapping, finger-snapping, tongue-pops, and shouts (*Olé!*). You can and should practice some form of participation to learn about flamenco, but don't try it in public unless you are assured that you are welcome, and won't confuse the art. The development of flamenco into a public, commercial art led to guitar soloists, competition in absurd degrees, and dominance in the early 20th century of staged concerts for large audiences. There have been popularizations, mixing of genres, invention of new forms, sometimes referred to as *musica aflamencada* (see also *Flamenco Nouveau*), but a renaissance of interest in traditional flamenco has emerged, supported by numerous recordings.

Carlos Saura, a Spanish cinematographer, created a trilogy of films starting with *Boda de Sangre* (Blood Wedding), and later *Flamenco*, a collection of dances by top flamencos.

Now with the internet and the World Wide Web, one can find websites by individuals, Spanish tourism, *aficionado* groups; about artists recordings, and local studios for lessons. In Los Angeles the Fountain Theater presents performances from time to time.

I continue to be inspired by flamenco even as I mostly play guitar in Fifth Friday, the folk dance band of the Pasadena Folk Dance Co-op. Best wishes for your enjoyment!

Don Krotser

After his introduction to flamenco (see Poetry Corner), Don attended performances in the Boston area, made acquaintance with other enthusiasts, and began to pick up some of the style of flamenco. He bought a flamenco guitar brought from Spain by Thomas Knatt (now La Gitana Luthier), was attracted by a dancer and became an habitue of her group's practices and performance. He has performed solo to good reception.

Further information: [<u>http://palaudalmases.com/</u> <u>home/en/first-written-references-of-flamenco/</u>].

[www.TxRedbones.MehraPublishing.com/gypsypeoples]

[http://www.timenet.org/roberto.html]

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Note: Federation events are in bold. CALL TO CONFIRM ALL EVENTS OCTOBER

- 1 & 8 Narodni Kathy Draper & John Redden teaching Maple Leaf Rag, Thurs. 7:30-10:30 p.m. at Woman's Club of Bellflower, 9402 Oak St., Bellflower. Info: Julith (562) 404-4383 (home), (562) 881-9504 (cell) or www.narodni.org
- 2-4 *Greek Festival,* Fri. 5:00-10:00; Sat. 1:00-10:00 Sun. 1:00-10:00 at St. Nectarios, 20340 Covina Blvd., Covina. Info: (626) 967-5524.
- 3 Veselo Selo Sandy Wodicka teaches advanced dance Ludokopano, Sat. 7:30-10:30 p.m., at Unitarian Church, 511 S. Harbor, Anaheim. Info: Lu Perry (714) 828 -2581.
- 3 *15th Annual Playford-to-the-Present Ball*, Saturday, in South Pasadena. Info: Annie Laskey (310) 895-1571 or www.caldancecoop.org
- 7 *Zhena Folk Chorus/Music*, Wed. at noon at Pasadena Presbyterian Church, 585 E. Colorado Blvd., Pasadena 91101. Info: artnightpasadena.org
- 9 Zhena Folk Chorus & Miamon Miller's Garlic Band with guest, Nick Ariondo, Fri. 6:00-10:00 p.m. at Pasadena Conservatory of Music, 100 N. Hill Ave., Pasadena 91106. Info: artnightpasadena.org
- 10 Café Aman, with Drina Johnson teaching Greek dances, Sat. 7:30-8:30 p.m. & (mostly) Balkan Dance Party, 8:30-11:30 p.m. at DanceFit LA, 10936 Santa Monica Blvd., West Los Angeles 90025. Parking in back or on street. Info: madelyntaylor@hotmail.com
- 11 *Culver City English Country Dance,* Sun. 4:00-7:00 p.m. Caller: James Hutson; Music: The English Roses. At Lindberg Stone House, Lindberg Park, 5041 Rhoda Way, Culver City, CA 90230. Info: Annie Laskey (310) 895-1571 or www.caldancecoop.org

Workshops with Ventzi Sotorov

16 - L.I.F.E Balkan Dancers, Fri. 8:00-10:00 p.m. at DanceFit LA Studio, 10936 Santa Monica Blvd. www.lifebalkandancers.com Workshop ifollowed by all-request program hosted by Sherry Cochran. Info: worldance1@gmail.com

17 – San Diego Folk Dance Center, Sat. 6:00 p.m., 4569 30th St., San Diego, Info: (619) 466-4043

20 – Tuesday Gypsies, Tues. 8:00-10:30 at Masonic Lodge, 9635 Venice Blvd., Culver City. Info: Millicent, (310) 390-1069

- 15, 22 Narodni John Matthews & Julith Neff teaching German dances from this year's Stockton Camp, Thurs. 7:30-10:30 p.m. at Woman's Club of Bellflower, 9402 Oak St., Bellflower. Info: Julith (562) 404-4383 (home), (562) 881-9504 (cell) or www.narodni.org
- 17 Veselo Selo Sandy Wodicka reviews Kucano. Sat. 7:30-10:30 p.m., at Unitarian Church, 511 S. Harbor Blvd., Anaheim. Info: Lu Perry (714) 828-2581.
- 18 Workshop With Ira Weisburd , 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m., at Brockton School. \$10.00 See OTS. Info: Beverly or Irwin (310) 202-6166 or (310) 478-4659 or dancingbarrs@yahoo.com
- 18 Macedonian Church Festival, 12 p.m. See ad.
- 23-25 31ST Annual Camp Hess Kramer Workshop Weekend, at Malibu, CA. Teachers: Beverly Barr, Andre Montsion, & Israel Yakovee. Info: Beverly or Irwin (310) 202-6166, (310) 478-4659 or dancingbarrs@yahoo.com See ad and OTS.
- 24 Veselo Selo Maimon Miller "Garlic Band" Sat. 7:30-10:30 at Unitarian Church, 511 S. Harbor, Anaheim. \$10.00. Info: Lu Perry (714) 828-2581. See ad.
- 24 Nevenka Folk Ensemble & Swing Riots Creole & Gypsy Jazz, Sat. 7:30 at Unitarian Universalist Church of Santa Monica, 1260 18th St., Santa Monica, CA 90404, admission \$18.00. Info: www.nevenka.org
- 25-27 *Greek Festival,* Fri. 5:00-10:00 p.m.; Sat. 11:30 a.m.-11:00 p.m. Sun. 12:00-9:00 p.m. at St. Basil, 27129 Calle Arroyo, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675. Info: (949) 542-3445.
- 29 Narodni Halloween Party, Thurs. 7:30-10:30 p.m. at Woman's Club of Bellflower, 9402 Oak St., Bellflower. Come in costume. Info: Julith (562) 404-4383, (562) 881-9504 (cell) or www.narodni.org
- 30 West Valley Anniversary and Halloween Party. 6:30 at Canoga Park Sr. Ctr. 7326 Jordan Ave. Chinese dinner included in admission. See OTS. Info: (818) 345-4401, shirliefeldman@sbcglobal.net
- 31 Veselo Selo Halloween Party & Nostalgia Dances for the Spirits, Sat. 7:30-10:30 at Unitarian Church, 511 S. Harbor, Anaheim. Wear your Halloween costume! Info: Lu Perry (714) 828-2581

NOVEMBER

- West L.A. Folk Dancers' Halloween Partv 2 on Mon. after Halloween 7:30-? at Brockton School, 1309 Armacost, West L.A. - \$6.00 - See OTS. Info: Beverly & Irwin Barr (310) 202-6166, (310) 478-4659 or dancingbarrs@yahoo.com
- 14 Café Aman, Sat., celebrating Marge Gajicki's birthday, Cane & Snezana Carovski teaching Macedonian dances 7:30-8:30 p.m. & Macedonian accordionist, Chris Bajmakovich, from Chicago from 8:30-11:30 p.m. at DanceFit LA, 10936 Santa Monica Blvd., West LA 90025. Info: madelyntaylor@hotmail.com

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

10/18 Croatian Heritage Festival, Sun. 1:00-8:00 p.m. at the Croatian American Cultural Center, 60 Onondaga in San Francisco, Sinovi of Seattle with John Morovich, Sidro Tamburitz Orchestra, Slavonian Traveling Band, & Veseli Krvati Croatian Kolo Dancers, Croatian food & drink, \$15.00 – Children free, Info:

www.CroatianAmericanWeb.org

- 10/25 Folk Dance Federation Officers Ball "A Musical Cruise Around the World", Sun. 1:30-5:30 dance workshop, 5:30-7:00 p.m., onsite dinner with entertainment, 7:00-10:00 p.m. dance party (with more surprises). Info: LucvSChang@gmail.com
- 11/27, 28 Kolo Festival, San Francisco. See ad for details.

OUT OF STATE OREGON

10/24-25 2015 Fall Int'l Folk Dance Festival with Lee Otterholt teaching Balkan & Int'l dances. At Polish Hall, 3832 N. Interstate Ave., Portland, OR. Info: Bob Epstein (503) 203-2671, repstein@europa.com; Dick Heijdeman (503) 235-7929, dickheii@gmail.com or www.KylosFolkDancers.org

WASHINGTON

10/2 & 3 61st Annual Folk Dance Festival, Int'l Folk Dancers of Richland. Featuring NW regional club instructors: Fri. 10/2 Get Acquainted Party 7:00-10:00 p.m. at Richland Community Center, 500 Amon Dr., Richland, WA. Sat. 10/3 Registration, Teaching and Party 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 p.m. at Shuffler Shanty, 717 N. Irving St., Kennewick, WA. Info: Ron Hinz (509) 967-5535, ronh@owt.com, or Ray Puigh at rjpuigh2@aol.com

FOREIGN **ALBANIA & KOSOVO**

10/4-17 Folk Tour to Albania & Kosovo led by Jim Gold & Lee Otterholt. Dance with Albanian master teacher Genc Kastrati. Info: (201) 836-0362 or jimgold@jimgold.com

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NORWAY/SWEDEN/DENMARK

6/13-23/2016 Folk Tour to Norway, Sweden & Denmark led by Lee Otterholt. Info: Jim Gold. See ad.

POLAND

9/4-17/2016 Folk Tour to Poland led by Richard Schmidt. Info: Jim Gold. See ad.

SPAIN

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at *Popular Arts*, the University of Toronto Folk Dancers, *Kineskamie* under the direction of Baie Comeau, Camp Hess Kramer, Narodni International Folk Dancers of Bellflower, California, the UNESCO World Dance Conference, and the Ethnic Express International Folkdancing Club of Las Vegas, Nevada.

André leads World Cultures tours of Montréal and is the author of several books on prayer.

Dances André has taught include Ca la Noi la Falticeni, Caribou, Gique Dandre, Joc de Doi, L'oiseau dans la Cage, Le Rossignol, Maresi na Glendo, Mareşi Pentozali, Rethymniaki, Sîrba din Caruta, U Šest Koraka, Valse de Maman, and Vot Petit Chien.

^{4/15-29/2016} Cruise with Yves and France Moreau See ad.

CAMP HESS KRAMER ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCE WORKSHOP

Last year we celebrated the 30th anniversary of this enjoyable weekend. We would be happy to have you join us as we continue to celebrate and learn new dances from our very popular teachers, Beverly Barr, Andre Montsion and Israel Yakovee.

Enjoy seeing your longtime friends and making new friends. Enjoy a weekend of outstanding fun learning dances. We must mention the fabulous food that we have at each meal, happy hour, and our Saturday night ice cream social. I always come home with a treasure from the silent auction. Don't forget to donate to the silent auction. This is a chance to get rid of the things that you don't wear or don't use any more, that may end up as someone's treasure. We learn a lot of dances and have a lot of fun at this weekend camp. We look forward to seeing you in Malibu. It's the best!!

For information, see the full page ad in this issue of Scene or call (310) 202-6166 or (310) 478-4659 or dancingbarrs@yahoo.com Happy Dancing





Israel Yakovee

Beverly Barr

NARODNI INTERNATIONAL FOLKDANCERS

- October 1st & 8th Kathy Draper and John Redden will teach Maple Leaf Rag
- October 15th & 24th John Matthews and Julith Neff will teach German dances from this year's Stockton Camp.
- October 29thHalloween Party Come in costume. No doubt there will be plenty of treats. And as a bonus treat, this night will be free!

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) 404-4383 (home) or (562) 881-9504 (cell). You can also visit our website at www.narodni.org for basic information.

Julith Neff

WORKSHOP AND FUN WITH IRA WEISBURD - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2015

Ira will teach new dances from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; followed by an afternoon of request dances. Beverly Barr will review and teach some of Ira's dances from now and the past. Beverly has been teaching Ira's dances for many years. She loves his dances and is happy to be able to do this. Beverly was the first teacher in California to introduce Ira's dances and has continued to do so for more than 25 years.

We look forward to a great day of international folk dancing and line dancing on a wonderful wood floor at Brockton School at 1309 Armacost Ave. in West L. A. Reduced price is \$10.00 for the whole day. Dancing will end when you are too tired to dance.

Contact Beverly or Irwin to answer any question or get more information. (310) 202-6166 or (310) 478-4659 or dancingbarrs@yahoo.com

WESTWOOD CO-OPERATIVE FOLK DANCERS

Halloween comes early this year!! Westwood Coop will have a Costume Party on Thursday, October 29. Dancers without costumes are also welcome – (but clothing of some kind or other is essential of course.)

The all-request dance program gives you a chance to choose your favorite dances.

Join us between 7:30 and 9:45 on this special evening and prepare to have a terrific time.

Snacks are welcome.

Laurette Carlson, Vice-President

BEVERLY BARR'S MONDAY CLASS

News for new dancers, returning dancers or anyone else who wants to learn more and become a better dancer. All this while enjoying dancing on a wonderful wood floor. Beverly Barr's Monday evenings, at Brockton School in West Los Angeles, have a new schedule beginning. Sept. 21. The evening will begin at 7:30 p.m. with dances taught at an easier level for the new dancers and those who used to dance and are now returning.

At 8:00 the regular teaching, dancing, learning new dances, and lots of fun and laughter with a very friendly group of dancers will begin. Dance requests are always appreciated.

Brockton Ave. School-1309 Armacost Ave. in West L.A. (between Barrington and Bundy and between Santa Monica and Wilshire Blvds. Free and easy parking on the school grounds. A wonderful floor for dancing.

BEVERLY'S DAYTIME GROUPS

Here are the places that you can join Beverly's groups.

Monday Day Time Dancing at the Sherman Oaks Senior Center at 5056 Van Nuys Blvd. is not meeting for the summer. We will let you know when this class resumes.

Tuesday Day Time Dancing at Roxbury Recreation Center, on a beautiful wood floor at 471 S. Roxbury Dr., just south of Olympic Blvd. Dancing from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Plenty of available parking. BH Residents Dancing \$1 - Non Residents Dancing \$2

Wednesday Afternoon, 12:30 – 2:00 p.m., dance at the Culver City Senior Center on the Northwest corner of Overland Ave. and Culver Blvd. Dancing \$4 – Permit Parking – You can get a permit for a year's parking or park for free across the street at the Veterans Auditorium.

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PASADENA FOLK DANCE CO-OP

We meet every Friday from 7:45 to 11:00 pm at Throop Unitarian Church in Pasadena. We will celebrate Halloween on Oct. 30 with an all-request party. For our special And Now for Something Completely Different segment, we will dance *Zemer Atik* that evening to Monster Mash. The Fifth Friday Band will play for us as well. On the less frightening Fridays of October, teaching will be from 7:45 to 9:00, followed by programmed plus request dances. Visit the Dances/This Month page of our website, PasadenaFolkDanceCoop.org, for the complete program for each evening. Also, if you scroll down to near the bottom of this page (or click on Dance List/ Videos at the top), you can see a complete list of dances available for request, many with links to videos as reminders. You can find other interesting and entertaining folk dance information on our site as well, but your time would be better spent dancing with us.

Marc Rayman

HARVEST MOON CONTRA DANCE FESTIVAL 2015

When: October 9 - 11, 2015 (Friday - Sunday night) Where: Carrillo Ballroom in Santa Barbara, CA Callers: Cis Hinkle and Sarah VanNorstrand Bands: Stringrays, Great Bear Trio Application download: www.sbcds.org/hm Contact: Kelli Butler at (805) 649-5189 or harvestmoon@sbcds.org

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WEST VALLEY FOLK DANCERS

Teaching schedule for October:

New dance: Yar Ko Pareg Armenian line taught by William Boatman

Review dance: tbd

On Friday October 30, we will have a costume party to celebrate our 56th anniversary, as well as Halloween. It will be held at our usual dance location: Canoga Park Sr. Ctr, 7326 Jordan Ave. That's a few blocks north of Sherman Way, and west of Canoga Ave. It has a lovely wood floor, and adjacent free parking. We will be having a catered Chinese dinner as part of the evening activities, starting at 6:30. Cost (for non-members) is \$15.00, including the dinner. Info: (818) 345-4401, shirliefeldman@sbcglobal.net

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Friday and Saturday, November 27-28, 2015, Croatian-American Cultural Center 60 Onondaga Avenue, at Alemany (three blocks from Balboa Bart station)

Dance classes by Yiannis Kostantinou - Greek Ahmet Luleci - Turkish John Filcich - Kolos Singing Classes by Michelle Simon and John Morovich. Watch for updates! LIVE MUSIC, 8-12 p.m., Main Hall and Kafana Trio Zulum, Zabava, Black Sea Surf, Tamburitza, Kolo Festival Band

ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED. Website (will be up soon) for registration forms, hotel, and restaurant information: <u>http://balkantunes.org/kolofestival</u>

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HEART SONG OF MAN UNKIND: FLAMENCO

They argued in the play *Heart Song*, after dance class, the Japanese masseuse, her Jewish client and the Black woman, --Argued which was more terrible: pogroms, slavery, displacement. They should have danced.

Should have loosed the keening wail of shared pain; let flamenco's fierce fires devour, stomp, challenge, defy all wound-spikes driven by man un-kind through eons, decades, generations, peoples, cultures;

Should have whirled the precious shawl -with its pleading fringe of nerve-endings now flinging lightening-sparks through space, now undulating to throaty, untamed song driving the dance,

The flamenco shawl... now cloaking the new bride, now swaddling the infant now hugging the moaning shoulders, now wrapping the body laid gently in the grave.

For all skin colors bend in anguish, tremble, throb, bruise, ache, moan and bleed alike...

And... all skin colors also *yearn* alike for the grace and embrace of the dance – the pulsing, vibrating, revitalizing, sorrow-cleansing communal dance that ministers to wound-spikes, blurs lines, softens spaces, cleanses bloody soil,

The communal dance where eyes and hands, speak one to another beyond words... and connect, *unify... yield... ponder...* and finally *understand. Camille Dull*

LIMERICK

A folk dancer named Katie Mendoza Was a track star up around Santa Rosa. When her team won a meet, For their victory treat She'd lead them in Savila se Bela Loza. *Carl Pilsecker*

INTRODUCTION TO FLAMENCO

Food prepared shared in honor of my visit couch to rest digest lulled to dream with a music I had never heard before

Don Krotser



WINTER, SPRING, SUMMER, FALL, SEASONS PAINTED Haiku Style

snow-painted mountains mist shrouded trees shivering pine needles crackle

blossoms decorate freshly painted greenery trembling with new life

bright flood of sunlight paints new nests in molten gold baby birds chirping

red gold brown dry leaves creep along frozen pathways painting color swirls

Lillian Rodich

MORE HAIKUS

~Here are a couple of Haikus from Maria Montes

"My skirt's best feature ~ Is twirl ability ~ It surrounds my dance ~ "

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"Warm coffee, cool breeze ~ Delicious empanadas ~ My tummy is pleased ~ "



# MY DANCE CARD:

Waltz with wonder Foxtrot with family Rhumba with romance Cha-cha with cheer Polka with pride Swing with old songs+ Quick-step with curiosity Samba with sincerity Tango with tenderness Hip Hop with happiness FOLKDANCE FOR FUN !

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# MARGE @ LARGE

Labor Day Weekend is a busy one for Long Beach and, of course, for all other towns. However, I'm



sticking close to home nowadays. We were glad to drop by E Hula Mau for its 21st Annual gathering at the Long Beach Terrace Theatre. Luckily for us it is less than two miles from home – we could have walked there!

Na Mamo presents this hula and chant competition which attracts dancers from near and far. That went on inside Terrace Theatre; however, there was also a small stage outside with amateur dancers, drummers and singers. Lei making was in process as was face painting. There were vendors with many Island delights. There were food booths located near the large fountain in front of the theatre. So pleasant to see this culture being perpetuated by devoted followers. And, we were there to see our long-time dear friends Merilyn Gentry and Nora Nuckles from Ridgecrest. Merilyn, who is recovering from a stroke several years ago, has a strong constitution and continues her dance classes and interest in folk dance cultures. I salute and admire her. Nora, Merilyn's sidekick, is her devoted and loving companion to many folk dance events.

And, not to be overshadowed this Labor Day weekend, there was also the 66th annual festival at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church. That is located less than three miles from home, but in the other direction - we could have walked there! Again, we ran across some old friends – some grecophiles who may be seen at many other Greek festivals in SoCal. Our friend, Pat Karamanougian, (not Greek by heritage) but whose electronic username is "greekatheart" was there. She publishes a calendar listing all the local Greek festivals, including location, dance floor condition, and a map for each one. The members of the Greek church in Long Beach work hard to put on this longlasting festival to which residents of the local community and beyond are invited. All visitors can enjoy the food, the performances by the dance groups of the church, the loud music, and the many arts and crafts booths.

Marge Gajicki

### RESPONSE TO LAST MONTH'S ARTICLE ON FEDERATION FESTIVALS WRITTEN BY JAY MICHTOM

I am glad that you like the direction that we are taking, but you need clarification on a couple of items.

1) The Federation budget contains \$1000 for festival support. The difference is that now, as opposed to 20 years ago, that support goes to subsidizing established festivals. Each festival (Pasadena, Culver City, Cerritos, Laguna) run at a deficit that is covered (up to a limit) by the Federation.

2) I said that income from the Officers' Jamboree would go to a beginners festival. I did not say the beginners festival was dependent on it being covered by the jamboree income. I plan on a beginners festival no matter the amount of income from the jamboree.

Marshall Cates, Federation President

# **MOUNTAIN DANCERS – 70 YEARS YOUNG**

Back in 1946, a group of skiers decided to folk dance after a day on the slopes. This became a regular dance session known as Mountain Dancers. Al Wilkes remembers the formation of this group.

"As one of the last surviving people who is one of the Mountain Dancers charter members I was asked to offer some comments on how it all began. Don't hold me to accuracy on dates or names, but allowing some flexibility, here goes: First is the historical material which requires me to go back B.H. (Before the dawn of History).

Preface: In 1932, when I was 11, I joined a scout troop which had a great outdoor program that led me into hiking, back packing, and skiing. Eleven years later, I was pretty active in all three of these and was at UCLA as a member of its nascent ski team. (I was the worst guy on the team). I also worked at Lockheed Aircraft. By virtue of college and being an aircraft worker besides, I was immune from the draft, but I felt guilty about it and joined up - I told the recruiter to put me into the Mtn. Troops, but he put me into the Air Corps (because of Lockheed). About the same time I joined the Sierra Club (skiing and climbing section of course). After a few years in the Air Force (1945?), I got some time off and went on a skiing trip to the Sierra Club's Claire Tappan Lodge with a group of skier friends, which included names

like Larry Thackwell, Jimmy Klein, Bob Baker, Muir Dawson, and maybe Barbara Fitch- (later Hildebrand ). If I missed anyone, I apologize. We had a great time, good snow, and lots of singing, dancing, wine, and dinner. During the dancing part someone introduced us to polkas, schottisches and Viennese Waltzes. We danced them all with great abandon (that means we abandoned all the rules of good dancing!). Driving home we talked about the great time we had and Larry Thackwell suggested that we contact others and get together again, and maybe get someone to teach more dancing. Now, when Larry got fired up about something to do with fun and games, it very often happened-- and it did!

I don't remember the details, but we did get together a few times informally, but it got to be so enjoyable that the group got larger quickly, and we began to meet in the Arroyo Seco park clubhouse. We first thought of ourselves as an offshoot of the Sierra Club, but after a few months it took on a life of its own and we decided it needed to have a name and some kind of organization.

And in the Beginning there was the Name

I don't remember if we had a 'committee' yet, but I do remember that many names were proposed. And, as you all know, we settled on...

... The Mountain Dancers."

### Al Wilkes"

The Mountain Dancers meet the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. For more information see the Federation Clubs listing in the back of this Scene or call (626) 355-9220.

### Ann Armstrong



# MENDOCINO FOLKLORE CAMP

The first time I attended Mendocino Folklore Camp in 2007 was due to a convincing, long time, folk dancing buddy, Tom Adams, organizer of the 'Aging but still game' 70's monthly folk dance parties at Ashkenaz, who told me I couldn't miss out dancing again with Yves Moreau. Yves was our favorite Bulgarian teacher back in the early 70's when he came to our festival at UCB. We were all Sunni Bloland trained and pretty much lived, and loved, Balkan dance! Along with Yves, his wife France Bourgue taught French-Canadian and international dances as well that year. The third dance genre was Argentine tango taught by Chris & Lynnanne Miller from L.A. That triumvirate made me a convert. I signed up on a work scholarship position that first vear.

I've just returned from camp with Yves & France both back again this July. I actually was hooked 8 years ago and have been lucky enough to go ever since as a working staff, handling the silent and live auctions, and previously also the bazaar, making money for future scholarships. The fun-loving, welcoming Folklore community is what makes this camp so enjoyable along with the creative themed parties, evening Kafana performances, and beautiful redwood surroundings (though, not so much the mosquitos). The variety and caliber of dancing is tops – Bollywood hip-hop, Polynesian, swing, tap, English country and more. Singers and musicians have their own schedule of great teachers and classes, open to dancers as well.

We eat early, take several classes of our choice, eat again, dance again, take a nap (at least I've been told some do), decorate the happy hour venue, get into costumes (just a touch or the whole get up), drink, eat the themed dinner, dance some more at the evening parties, drink, snack and sleep....eventually. Wafting in the groves or dance hall, the music beckons from the talented musicians practicing for the live dance parties. This year Bill Cope was the bandleader with many from his band, including Michele Simon and Corinne Sykes. I encouraged another dancer and long time friend from the 70's to join me this year and I'm sure she, too, is now a devotee.

Come join us next year or take advantage of a work scholarship for a great opportunity to dance, sing, play an instrument or just enjoy the redwoods... a sure remedy for all that ails you.

Susie Shoaf

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Susie is a former UCB dancer, now helping run Kopachka in Mill Valley every Friday from September to June. She invites you to come on by.

> Susie Shoaf and Deborah Krikorian dressed for Chinese New Year Celebration



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