

# CDS Boston News



Summer 1992

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## WORK (and Play) at Pinewoods

The Pinewoods season starts earlier than you might think! Before the First Weekend, there are Work Weekends, when we open the cabins and other buildings, clear paths, and generally get camp ready for the summer. Pinewoods provides the tools and supplies, food, and living quarters.

This year's work weekends are May 22-25, May 29-31, and June 5-7. Each begins after supper Friday and ends Sunday evening. The Saturday-evening dance each weekend will focus on a particular genre, but anyone is welcome on any weekend. The featured dancestyles:

May 22-25: Scottish  
May 29-31: English and American  
June 5-7: International, English and American

Whether you're new to camp or an old hand, these weekends offer a special experience of Pinewoods. The songs of birds seem clearer, the crunch of pine needles underfoot crisper, the smell of the woods sweeter. When you come back in the summer, you can point proudly to the path you cleared, the screen you hung, or the flowers you planted in May or June.

To sign up for a work weekend, call or write Susannah Shewmaker, PO Box 193, Brattleboro, Vt 05302. Phone: 802/368-7858.

---Brad Saylor

## DANCE at Pinewoods

Here's a summary of Boston Centre's Pinewoods activities this summer. For current information on registrations and waiting lists, call or write the contact person shown below.

### June 19-21: First Weekend

Informal program, organized largely by the campers. Small dance and music staff.

Diane Bigelow and Michael Resnick  
20½ Buck St, Woburn, Mass 01801  
617/938-6686

### July 2-6: July 4th Weekend

American and English country dance; Morris, longsword, rapper, and clog.

Eileen Callahan  
123 Dudley St, Apt 3, Cambridge, Mass 02140  
617/864-2236

### July 6-10: English-Scottish Session

English and Scottish country dance; Morris, longsword, rapper, clog; Scottish Ladies' Step, Highland, couples dances; Scots song.

Deborah Hawkins  
75 Woodbine, Belmont, Mass 02178  
617/489-2113

### Sept 5-8: Labor Day Weekend

Informal program similar to the First Weekend, with camper-organized activities.

Mitch Diamond and JJ Jones  
61 Fells Ave, Medford, Mass 02155  
617/391-4951



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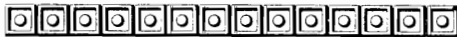
by Joe Kynoch

Thanks to Jane Hecht for organizing the members' dance at the Annual General Meeting. It was a great dance with about fifty people attending. A summary of the meeting will be in the next News.

Thanks to Susan Janssen for organizing the English Dance Musicians' workshop. About 20 people attended and all thought it was a great success. Some of them are now getting together to play---maybe some new bands will be formed. We are already planning the next workshop; if you have any ideas or would like to help out, please call Susan at 617/641-4963.

On a similar note, if you would like to help organize a workshop for Contra Dance musicians, please call the office.

The Board is working on plans for next year. We have made a commitment to increase the membership and attendance at dances. We need a lot of help here; if you have ideas about how to bring more new people to our dances, or have time to help with publicity, please call the office.



**Summerdance Series**

Keep dancing through the summer! Every Wednesday something different: English, English/Scottish, Cajun, Swing, Scandinavian, and the ever-popular Contra/Zwiefacher night. The series starts July 8 and ends Sept 2. All dances are at the Masonic Hall, 1950 Massachusetts Ave, Cambridge, Mass, and run from 7:30-10:30 PM. Admission is \$5, \$4.50 for members of any of the sponsoring groups: Boston Centre, NEFFA, or the Folk Arts Center. See the enclosed flyer.

The Masonic Hall (where the Boston Centre office is) is in Porter Square, just a minute or two from the Red Line subway station and commuter-rail stop. Also served by the No. 77 and 77A bus lines.



**National CDSS Dance Camps**

More Summer Camp Activities

Registrations are still being accepted for most CDSS sessions at Pinewoods and Buffalo Gap in West Virginia. There is room at Pinewoods for American and English/American dance weeks, Early Music week, and Folk Music week. At Buffalo Gap there are spaces for English/American and Family weeks. There

is a long waiting list for Family week and a short one for Campers' week, both at Pinewoods. For an application, write

Country Dance and Song Society  
17 New South St  
Northampton, Mass 01060

or call 413/584-9913.



**The BOLLES Scholarships**

...and Others

The Endowments and Grants Committee is pleased to announce the recipients of the Bolles Scholarships for 1992 [see the Spring 1992 News]. We have awarded three scholarships for this summer's CDSS programs at Pinewoods Camp:

To Lisa Greenleaf, an experienced contra-dance caller, for American Dance week, to develop skills at calling American squares;

To Susan Janssen, pianist, for English Dance week, to work on playing for English Country dance;

To Beth Lewis, a promising new dance leader from Portland, Me., for English Dance week, to study the teaching of English dance.

Besides the Bolles awards, we have also made a grant to the Framingham Folk Dancers for an English dance workshop.

These four grants total \$930. This year, Boston Centre has also awarded nearly \$1000 to support new dance series in Medway and Taunton.

In April, the Board of Directors appointed Robin Rogers-Browne to the Endowment and Grants Committee, joining Arthur Ferguson (chair), Sam Rubin, Jacqueline Schwab, and Gordon Talley. We will be happy to discuss any proposals you have for projects that will benefit the dance community in Boston and New England.

---Gordon Talley

# Calendar

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## BOSTON CENTRE PROGRAMS

(Except where noted, all telephone numbers are in Area Code 617)

### Continuing Series

#### TUESDAYS: NEW ENGLAND SQUARE AND CONTRA DANCE

Hannum Hall, 7 Temple St, Cambridge, Mass. 7:30 - 10:30 PM. *Last dance of the season: June 9*  
**Callers:** Tony Saletan, Sarah Gregory Smith, Tony Parkes, or guest caller.  
**Musicians:** Rotating groups of first-class, lively bands  
**Contact:** Arthur Anger (H)899-8702, (W)253-7044

#### WEDNESDAYS: ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE

Hannum Hall, 7 Temple St, Cambridge, Mass. 7:30-10:30 PM. *Last dance of the season: June 24*  
**Teachers:** Helene Cornelius, Barbara Finney, George Fogg, Rich Jackson, Robin Rogers-Browne, Brad Saylor, Jackie Schwab, Chris Walker  
**Musicians:** "Bare Necessities" (Peter Barnes, Earl Gaddis, Mary Lea, Jacqueline Schwab) and others.  
**Contact:** Mary Stafford, 782-7266

#### FIRST FRIDAY ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE

Church of Our Saviour, Monmouth & Carlton Sts, Brookline, Mass. 8:15-11 PM.  
First Fridays. Various leaders and musicians. *Last dance of the season: June 5*  
For dancers thoroughly familiar with basic English Country Dance figures. Dances will be taught.  
**Call:** CDS office, 354-1340.

### Meetings

*Meetings are open; all members are welcome, but call ahead to confirm date, time, and place.*

**Board of Directors:** 3rd Weds, 6:00PM, CDS Office, 1950 Mass Ave, Cambridge (354-1340)  
**American Dance Committee:** 2nd Tues, 6:15PM. Call for location (899-8702)  
**English Dance Committee:** 2nd Weds, 6:00PM, Call for location (782-7266)



### How to send stuff to the CDS Boston News

Please send all editorial submissions, letters, and Calendar listings to

CDS Boston News  
c/o Shag Graetz  
49 Stow St  
Acton, Mass 01720

[phone: 508/263-6469]

Hard copy should be typewritten or printed; draft-mode dot-matrix printer copy is OK, but please use a dark ribbon. For longer items such as feature articles, a DOS-format ASCII file on a 5¼-inch double-density (360KB) floppy disk will save time and help avoid editing mistakes. I'll return your disk if you request it, otherwise consider it a donation to the Boston Centre. Graphics (music, drawings, etc.) must be hard copy, at least for now. Please include the name and address of a contact person, so that we can call and verify information, and send you a copy of the News with your insertion.

For information on the minimum number of flyers you'll need to submit, and the address to which to send (or bring) them, please call the Editor or the CDS Boston Centre office.

The deadlines for the next issue are

News Copy: 30 JUNE 1992

Flyers: 1 AUGUST 1992

# FRIENDS OF THE BOSTON CENTRE

[Not all these dances continue through the summer. Call to make sure of the schedule.]

## Regular Events

*Andover, Mass:* **Contra dance** with guest callers and musicians, sponsored by South Church of Andover  
3rd Fridays, Old Town Hall, Main St, but call to confirm.  
**Call** South Church of Andover, 508/475-0321

*Arlington, Mass:* **Contras and Squares** with Susan Elberger, music by Roaring Jelly, Doug Reiner, director  
Third Fridays, 8:15-11 PM, St John's Episcopal Church, 74 Pleasant St. **Last dance of the season: June 19**  
**Call** 617/894-4464 or 617/641-3631

*Barnstable, Mass:* **English Country Dance**  
Fridays, twice monthly, 7:30 PM: 28 Feb; 13, 27 March; 10, 17 April; 8, 29 May.  
Barnstable Unitarian Church.  
**Call** Francis and Marjorie Worrell, 508/362-9570

*Jamaica Plain, Mass:* **Contras and Squares** with Chris Ricciotti or guest callers, sponsored by Boston Gay and Lesbian Contra Dance Group. SOFT-SOLED SHOES REQUIRED.  
Saturdays, 8-11 PM:  
First Church of Jamaica Plain, corner of Centre and Eliot Sts.  
**Call** Janet, 617/522-2216; Phil, 617/729-9206; or Scott, 617/625-6732

*Bowdoinham, Me:* **English Country dance** with the Merrymeeting Musical Menagerie. Guest callers.  
Sundays, 7:00-10:00: Next dance: 31 May. Bowdoinham Community Hall, School St.  
**Call** Greg 207/666-3090 or 207/786-6110

**Contra Dance** with Paul Krakauske, music by Scrod Pudding  
Third Saturdays, 8:30-midnight. Bowdoinham Town Hall  
**Call** Greg 207/666-3090 or 207/786-6110

*Concord, NH:* **Contra Dance** with Dave Bateman or Eve Kitchen, various musicians  
Fourth Saturdays, 8 PM till whenever. West Concord Community Center, Knight St  
**Call** 603/746-4668 or 603/654-5402

*East Derry, NH:* **English Country dance** with Brad Sayler, music by Derry Ayre and friends.  
Fourth Fridays, 8-11 PM. Upper Village Hall, East Derry Rd (1 mile from Derry traffic circle).  
**Call** Marianne Taylor 603/463-7771

*Francestown, NH:* **Country Dance** (Square and contra) with Ed Hall or Dave Bateman, various musicians.  
Second Saturdays, 8:30-11:30 PM. Francestown Town Hall  
**Call** 603/547-2955

*Kingston, RI:* **English Country dance** with Mitch Robbins, music by Melissa Savoie, Peter Corbridge & friends.  
1st and 3rd Fridays, 7:30-10:00 PM, Kingston Free Library, Rte 138 at URI entrance.  
**Call** 401/521-5160 or 203/535-3623

*Providence, RI:* **Contras and Squares** with guest callers and musicians.  
Saturdays, 8 PM. St Martin's Church, 50 Orchard Ave.  
May 23: Steve Holland with Amy Richardson & Friends; June 20: Susan Elberger with White Cockade  
**Call** 401/828-3229 or 508/636-8168

## Special Events

**Reel Nutmeg's Elegant Evening** of English Country Dances, Saturday, 30 May  
South Congregational Church, 277 Main St, Hartford, Conn.  
Afternoon workshop, potluck supper, evening ball.  
**Call** Helen 203/285-8694



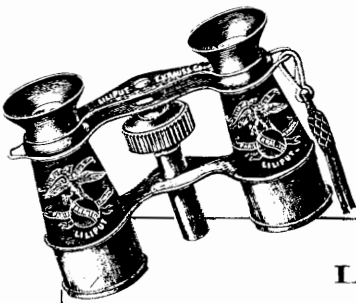
*Compiled by Gordon Talley*

Here is the final installment of the 75th Anniversary Timeline. As we get closer to the present, more current dancers appear. You can still add your own story to the Timeline, even if you've just begun dancing. Send a 3x5 file card or a note to

Gordon Talley  
25 Magazine St  
Cambridge, Mass 02139

or call me at 617/497-7490.

- ◆ Activities of CDS, Boston Centre and Affiliated Groups and Teams
- ★ Dancers' Personal Histories
- The Dances and Music Themselves
- ◆ **1984 or -5?** Open to Suggestion (Jane Katz, Dave Newman, Aram Hollman, Sandy Pliskin), after playing a benefit together, decide they are a band. Play CDS dances winter of 1988.
- **c.1984** Fund for the Arts awards choreography grant to Tony Saletan for writing New England dances.
- ★ **1984** June. Diane Biglow and Michael Resnick met at CDS Brimmer and May dance. Sept. 1987—engaged at CDS Labor Day weekend. Sept. 1988—wed with the accompaniment of Bare Necessities, Yankee Ingenuity, and BLT.
- ★ **1984** Joyce Szczepanski: 8/8/84, 8:00 p.m. boyfriend and I naively walk into an advanced dance. 11:00 p.m. boyfriend says "never again." 11/12/84 breakup with boyfriend. 12/4/84 go to an English dance. Heaven!
- ★ **1984** Oct. Chris Reynolds: Went to a contra dance at First Congo. through urging of a high school friend (then a New Haven dancer). We found a listing of a "beginner's" dance in the *Phoenix*.
- ★ **1984** Oct. Gordon Talley: First dance, Ted Sannella calling at Mason St. church. I remember: Art Anger's foot stomping and a buzz-step swing with Carole Ramsdell.
- ★ **1985** Emma Kynoch went to Pinewoods when she was 12 days old!
- ★ **1985** Susan Janssen moves into an apartment with a fiddler and a piano and says "This is *fun!*" World of contra and English piano is opened up...
- **1986** Rich Jackson wrote "Rose in Bloom" for our wedding, May 1986: Kathy Terzi and Bob Morris.
- ◆ **1986** Sept. Orion Longsword first practice. First performance: CDS Christmas party.
- ◆ **1987** Rose Galliard Northwest Morris. Founding members: Lisa G. Linda G. Kathy G., Marty L., Phyllis S-W, Tina V-R.
- ◆ **1987** The first First Weekend at Pinewoods!
- ★ **1987** Pat Rabby learned square dance in high school in Texas. Began with CDS squares and contras in 1987. (Other dancing in between.)
- ★ **1987** Kurt Hansen, of the Westerly MM, conquers Ben Nevis, highest point in UK, by dancing "Ladies Pleasure" jig atop summit. Lee Boltz played 3-hole pipe.
- ◆ **1987** Sept. Rapscaillon rapper team founded.
- **1988** June. Robin Rogers-Browne composed her first English country dance, "The Log Cabin," to the tune "Hewlit" for Steve Anderson and Mary Mulligan's wedding in Andover, Mass.
- ◆ **1988** Aug. Birth of Twilight Bells Morris (R.I/Mass.)
- ★ **1989** Spring. Karen Mueller inducted half the cast of the MIT Gilbert and Sullivan Players' production of *Patience* into CDS.
- ★ **1989** April 30. David Herndon took Allison Barrett contra dancing for the first time.
- ◆ **1989** September 23. CDS 75th Anniversary season begins with the Kickoff Dance. First time contra dancing for the New England Conservatory square dancers and for Michelle Lindholm.
- **Not dated** "Hillsboro Jig" was written by Bill Thomas as an alternative to "Chorus Jig," which he thought too boring.



**LOST!**

Help! I left my purple corduroy light jacket at the Playford Ball in Weston on March 19. If you picked it up, please call me at 802/257-1571, or return it to the CDS Boston Centre office. I really want to get it back.

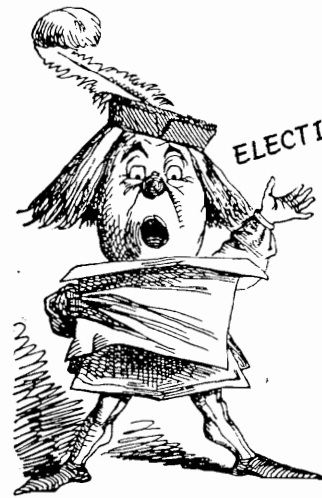
---Mary Lea

**CRUFT and Grummies**

We have a new Mailing Superintendent, Ann Cowan, who organized the stuffing, stapling, sorting, and shipping party for the last issue (weren't you just a little bit curious what "S4" meant?). Our thanks to Ann and to all the volunteers who made a tedious task lighter: Tom Engel, Irene Howard, Rich Jackson, Rebecca Jordan, Deb Small, Charity Stafford, Mary Stafford, Allan Wechsler, Clay Wilcox, and others whose names I couldn't remember when I finally wrote this down.

The News needs material. New dances and tunes, stories of earlier days and the people involved, ideas and opinions about Boston Centre activities, in short, whatever you think will be of interest to the readers. I'll print just about anything that isn't actionable, but expect some editing. See "How To Send Stuff..." for the details.

---shag



Several new faces, as well as familiar ones in new places, mark this year's election of officers and directors. Here are the results:

President-Elect Arthur Anger  
Vice President Clayton Wilcox  
Treasurer Gordon Talley

Directors elected to two-year terms:

Harvey Cohen  
Jean Farrington  
Tom Hannaford  
Steve Moore  
Louise Pascale

Directors elected to one-year terms:

Frank Attanasio  
Susan Janssen  
Ruth Markowitz

The Board of Directors has made two new appointments: Rich Jackson as Pinewoods Camp Representative, and Robin Rogers-Browne to the Endowment and Grants Committee.

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When we tinkered with the publishing schedule last year, we agreed that July was no time to try putting out a full, 6/8-page CDS News. A basic calendar and mailing cover is all anyone is up to. Especially when the Editor is about to run off to England with his Morris team (Pinewoods) for some heavy-duty touring. So study the flyers, and we'll see you in the Fall. ---shag

### DEADLINES FOR THE WINTER ISSUE

News Copy and Calendar listings: **OCTOBER 15**  
Flyers: **NOVEMBER 1**

PS: If you just happen to be going to Bastrop, Texas, around October 16, check out the English Dance Weekend at Lost Pines, run by our own George Fogg. Call 512/237-3868 for details.

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#### Morris and Sword

See enclosed flyer for details of Fall programs.

**Contact:** Rebecca Jordan, 825-0201

#### Special Events

**Fifth-Saturday Contra Dance**, October 31, Concord Scout House, 74 Walden St, Concord, Mass.

See flyer for details, or Call CDS Office, 354-1340

**Basic English Country Dance Series**, Wednesdays, Sept 30 - Nov 4, 7-8 PM

Cambridge Center for Adult Education, 42 Brattle St, Cambridge, Mass

**Teacher:** Barbara Finney **Musician:** Earl Gaddis

Call CDS Office, 354-1340, or CCAE, 547-6789

#### Meetings

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**American Dance Committee:** 2nd Tues, 6:15PM. Call for location (899-8702)

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### Barnstable, Mass: English Country Dance

Fridays, 7:30 PM: Sept 11, 25; Oct 9, 23; Nov 13; Dec 11

Barnstable Unitarian Church.

Call Francis and Marjorie Worrell, 508/362-9570

### Lexington, Mass: Contrás and Squares with Susan Elberger, music by Roaring Jelly, Ed Pearlman, director

Third Fridays, Sept through June, 8-11 PM, First Parish Unitarian-Universalist Assoc, 7 Harrington Rd

Call 617/235-0713 or 508/371-0912

### Medway, Mass: Contrás with Jerry Procopowicz, live music.

Second Saturdays, 7:30-10:30 PM, Christ Episcopal Church, 14 School St

Call 508/533-1259 or 508/429-1773

## Special Events

### Fourth Annual NEGAL Genderfree Summer Dance Camp, Sept 18-20, Becket/Chimney Corners YMCA Camp, Becket, Mass

New England Squares and Contrás with Lisa Greenleaf; Country/Western two-step with Liz Nania; New England callers' workshop with Chris Ricciotti, etc. Music by Amy Richardson, Larry Unger, and Carol Hamm.

Call NEGAL 800/484-7113, code 1112; Robin 508/544-8447; or Bev 413/863-3757

### Music and Dance Weekend at Hidden Valley, Sept 11-13, Hidden Valley Camp, Montville, Me.

Québec and Cape Breton step dancing, New England squares and contrás, Swedish, swing, etc.

Staff includes Yvon Gagné, Joe Cormier, Hillie Bailey, and Ted Sannella. Musicians include Stéphane Landry, Edmond Boudreau, and the Maine Country Dance Orchestra.

For information, send SASE to HV Dance Weekend, RR1, Box 1660, Bowdoinham, Me 04008

### Third Annual Northeast Squeeze-in, Sept 18-20, Buckstep Manor, Washington, Mass.

Workshops, jam sessions, and dances for accordion, concertina, and other squeezebox players.

Call 413/549-0171 (eves), or write The Button Box, 9 E Pleasant St, Amherst, Mass 01002



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