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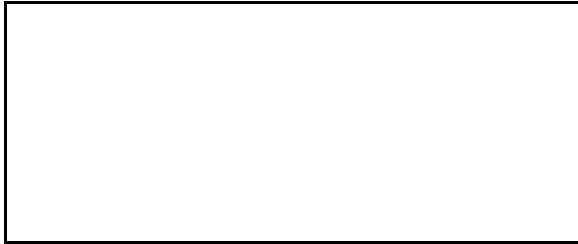
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Editor's Corner

This issue features the Dunaj International Dance Ensemble, soon celebrating their 25th anniversary. Dunaj is one of the Federation South's longest enduring performing groups, and we are happy to feature them this month.

This issue also has a review of the recent Out-of-California Statewide in Las Vegas and a few pictures from the recent CTMS Summer Solstice Festival.

We hope you enjoy this issue.

— *Folk Dance Scene Committee*

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Federation Corner



The Research and Standardization (R&S) committee is currently composed of my assistant Laura Bremer and myself, Dorothy Daw (picture at left). We produce dance notes for all institutes, camps and workshops sponsored by Federation South, mainly

Camp Hess Kramer and Statewide. If someone wishes dance notes that are on file, for a slight fee I will copy them for you. Please do not ask for more than 5-6 dances at a time. If time permits, the notes are usually sent out in a few days. When someone asks for dance descriptions during my busy season (a month before Camp Hess Kramer or Statewide) it could take a week or two before they are mailed.

This committee was formed so that everyone can have access to dance notes. What we cannot guarantee is the accuracy of the descriptions. If possible we will correct the notations, but many of the dance notes (especially old ones) are in their original format without corrections.

In 1970, Bob Moriarty asked me to succeed him as chairman of the R&S committee. Basically I had only been typing dance notes and doing a little research for Bob for about 3 years when asked to take over the chairmanship. And what a challenging job that turned out to be. My first assignment was the San Diego Folk Dance Conference, with eight teachers and only myself to do the errata, an impossible task. Now, thanks to the Video Committee, my job is easier, and I can work more efficiently.

I enjoy working with the teachers, as it gives me the opportunity not only to get to know them and their dances better - especially styling, but to learn more about the cultures, costumes and food. I receive more than I could ever give.

— *Dorothy Daw*

Dunaj International Dance Ensemble



Georgian Dance at Laguna Festival

Dunaj started in 1977, with a phone call from a teacher at a middle school in Newport Beach. She wanted some dancers to perform folk dances for their upcoming "International Day". The list of countries I suggested stunned her: Hungary, Ukraine, Bulgaria, Poland, Germany.

"They're all Communist countries," she exclaimed. "Can you emphasize the German?" The devil made me do it. "But my mother is Ukrainian," I replied. I'll always savor the delicious silence that followed.

After that, Dunaj just grew and grew. It became my outlet for teaching and performing really interesting and challenging dance material and has been a passion for nearly 25 years now. During the early 80's, there were 16 couples in the company (There are five couples now).

We have created and performed multiple dance suites from most of Central Europe, including Germany, Austria, Hungary, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Romania, Croatia and Greece. We've even done both Georgias in suites from the Republic of Georgia and from our Appalachian Mountain Clog Suite.

I choreographed the Appalachian Clog from an actual dance I attended in West Virginia, and our Ragtime Suite is based on some of Richard Powers' material.

For the past two years we've been performing our Early California Fandango (see cover photo), with authentic dance material from Al Pill and Lucille Czarnowsky among other sources. We joined forces



Bavarian Dance at Oktoberfest

with two other dance companies, Yesteryears and Blanca Luz and the Los Californios musicians from San Diego. It's been well received at several venues and it is great fun.

Most of the dancers now with the company have been with us for ten years or more. Most are at a level where I can build improvised sections of choreographies and let them show off their talent. My choreography is influenced most by Sandor Timar, former director of the Hungarian State Folk Ensemble, who discarded the old ballet format and presented the dances in as near a natural, spontaneous style as the performance would allow.

Over the years Dunaj has presented several full-length concerts, classes, seminars and workshops - even folk dance tours to Europe. Currently, we're going slightly "retro" with the revival of some of our previous performances. It's like visiting an old friend for some of us and new material for the others. It means digging out old costumes that haven't seen the light of day for years and making them fit today's dancers. We'll be doing some of that at next year's Laguna Festival.

Dunaj's 25th year is approaching and we'll be planning events to celebrate. I tried to count the number of people who have danced in the company since its beginning and there were over a hundred that I could remember. Maybe we'll get them together and have a party. Meanwhile, there's no end in sight.

— *Rich Durce*

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CULVER CITY HOLLYWOOD PEASANTS	Wed 7:30-10:00	(310) 398-8187 Al Drutz	CULVER CITY, Culver West Park, 4162 Wade St. (park on Moore St.)
ETHNIC EXPRESS INT'L FOLK DANCERS	Wed 6:30	(702) 732-4871 Richard Killian	LAS VEGAS, Charleston Heights Art Center, 800 S. Brush St.
HAVERING INT'L FOLK DANCERS	Sun 7-9	(805) 643-2886 Ann Zacher	VENTURA, Temple Beth Torah 7620 Foothill Rd (corner Kimball)
KERN INT'L FOLK DANCERS	Wed 7:00-9:00	(661) 831-5007 Delphine Szczepkowski	BAKERSFIELD, Wayne Van Horn School, 5501 Kleinpell Ave.
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SOLVANG VILLAGE FOLK DANCERS	Sat 7:00-10:00	(805) 688-2382 Jean Menzies	SOLVANG, Santa Ynez School 3325 Pine St
SOUTH BAY FOLK DANCERS	2nd Fri 7:45-9:45	(310) 372-8040 Beth Steckler	TORRANCE, Torrance Cultural Ctr, 3330 Civic Center Dr.
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AUGUST

- 4 **Long Beach Irish Festival.** 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 at Queen Mary Special Events Park. Info: www.longbeachcelticfestival.com.
- 4 **Miss Haseltine's Drum,** Regency Dance. 7:30 - 11:30, at Lindberg Park, 5401 Rhoda Way, Culver City Info: (213) 384-6622, <http://www.regencyfriends.org>.
- 4 **African Village Festival,** performance and participatory dancing. 7:00 at Ford Amphitheatre, L.A. Info: (323) GO 1-FORD, www.lacountyarts.org/ford.html.
- 5 **Los Folkloristas,** Latin folk music. 7:00 at Ford Amphitheatre, L.A. Info: (323) GO 1-FORD, www.lacountyarts.org/ford.html.
- 10 **Hula Halau O Lilinoe,** Hawaiian music and dance ensemble. Noon at the L.A. Watercourt. Also at 8:00 along with *Na Lei Hulu Ka Wekiu*. Free. See OTS for details.
- 10, 11 **Comania Domingo Ortega - Flamenco Dance.** 8:00 at The Barclay, 4255 Campus Drive, Irvine. Info: (949) 854-4646, <http://www.thebarclay.org>.
- 11 **Billy Burke, guest teacher, at Veselo Selo.** See directory for address.
- 12 **African Funk,** Senegalese music and dance. 7:30 at Hollywood Bowl. Info: (323) 850-2000, hollywoodbowl.com.
- 12 **Dance & Drum JAMboree,** 12:00–1:00 drum class in basic bellydance rhythms, 1:00–3:00 drum and dance participation with Mesmera. At Anita's School of Dance, 14252 Ventura Blvd. Sherman Oaks. Info: (323) 669-0333, Mesmera.com.
- 12 **Russian Folk Orchestra,** 8:00 at Ford Amphitheatre, L.A. Info: (323) GO 1-FORD, www.lacountyarts.org/ford.html.
- 14 **The Toids play** at Cal Tech Folkdancers. 8:30 at Dabney Lounge, Pasadena. Info: Nancy (626) 797-5157, franprevas@yahoo.com.
- 14, 15 **Yaelisa & Caminos Flamencos - Flamenco Dance.** 8:00 at The Barclay, 4255 Campus Drive, Irvine. Info: (949) 854-4646, <http://www.thebarclay.org>.
- 17 **La Tania,** Flamenco artist performs 12:00 and 8:00 at L.A. Watercourt. Free. See OTS for details.
- 17 **Ballet Folklorico del Pacifico,** Mexican music and dance. 8:00 at Ford Amphitheatre, L.A. Info: (323) GO 1-FORD, www.lacountyarts.org/ford.html.
- 17, 18 **Gipsy Kings,** 8:00 at Greek Theatre, L.A. Info: (213) 480-7575, www.ticketmaster.com.
- 17, 18 **Compania Belen Maya - Flamenco Dance.** 8:00 at The Barclay, 4255 Campus Drive, Irvine. Info: (949) 854-4646, <http://www.thebarclay.org>.
- 17, 18, 19 **Greek festival** with dancing, St. Sophia Church, Los Angeles. Info: (323) 737-2424.
- 18 **Luau,** presented by San Gabriel Valley Branch of RSCDS. At St. Barnabas Church, Eagle Rock.
- 18 **Regency Tea And Dance- Beginner's lesson** 7-7:30, dancing from 7:30. At Alta Mount Sierra Lodge 33 East Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre. Info: (213) 223-7993, jsillesen@aol.com.
- 19 **An Claidheamh Soluis Choir,** Irish music. At Celtic Arts Center, 4843 Laurel Canyon Blvd. Valley Village. Info: (818) 752-3488.
- 23 **Dave McKelvy Trio,** klezmer/harmonica ensemble. Culver City City Hall, 9970 Culver Blvd. Free. Info: (310) 253-6643.
- 24, 25, 26 **Greek festival** with dancing. St. Nectarios Church, Covina. Info: (626) 967-5524.
- 25 **LA Summer Dance,** Scottish Dance, 7:30 at Westchester Senior Center, 8740 Lincoln Blvd.
- 25, 26 **Italian Festival.** At Oak Park, Santa Barbara. Free. Music, dance, food, crafts. Info: (805) 564-5419, lcruz@ci.santa-barbara.ca.us
- 30 **Narodni's Second Annual Summer Family Night Barbecue and Dance, 7:00 - 10:30.** Long Beach location. See OTS for details. Info: John (562) 424-6377, John@narodni.org.
- 31–9/3 **Finjan,** Israeli & Yemenite FD Camp. At UC Santa Barbara. See ad, OTS for details. Info: Yoni, (760) 631-0802, yonnic@earthlink.com.

Dancers Speak

The following poem was adapted for Israeli Folk Dancers by Robin Jaensch in London, from a version which appeared in an English Folk Dance magazine and which has been presented at some Israeli Folk Dance Camps. It certainly is apropos for all dance groups.

— Beverly Barr

THE TWO-SEX ISRAELI DANCER

I'm a two-sex Israeli dancer
And it may seem rather dim
But I never spend an evening
As a full-time her or him
I change my sex from dance to dance
My yemenites always alter
It's really not surprising
That I occasionally falter
The old and simple dances
I can manage very nicely
But I can also learn a new dance
And do it most precisely
But, when it comes to next week
I don't know if I can
For I learned it as a woman
And now I dance it as a man
And so you men have all the luck
To always stay the same
When female 'gentlemen' go wrong
Be sparing with your blame
I'll add a postscript to this tale
One comfort I have got -
When both the women change their sex
It doesn't show a lot!

FOLK DANCE IN SEATTLE

I was visiting my friend, Toni Sutherland, in Seattle recently, and she had a flyer about a folk dancing group, "The Mountaineers", that she was interested in attending, so we went. What a nice time we had! They have their own building, which makes me wonder what other activities they have there, and the floor was wonderful wood. Can you believe there were not enough women, and it was mostly a couple dance class? The woman at the door made it a point to introduce us to the men who needed partners so we would have someone to dance with.

Everyone was very gracious, friendly and helpful, and there were a lot of mixer dances. The teacher, Betty McLain, gave instruction for many of the dances, and her "break-down" was very simple and direct which made it quick and easy to follow her. Most of the dances were of the easier variety that my friend and I already knew, which was OK with me, for I didn't want to learn a difficult dance that I may never do again.

Apparently, they are more of a beginners class but I noticed some of the dancers were very advanced, (you can tell by how they move). Toward the end of the evening at request time, I checked their box of tapes and saw a lot of familiar titles. It was really wonderful to go to a strange city and find such a nice folk dance group.

I gave them a copy of our Folk Dance Scene with which they were not familiar, and they gave me a copy of their newsletter. They offer classes for free to people 30 years and younger! The fee was \$5, but they offer a series of lessons for 10 weeks at \$4 each. They have cruises, too!

— Emily Winters



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Dancing at the Fremont Street Experience

OUT-OF-CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE 2001

From the moment we left home headed east instead of north or south, Statewide 2001 really was like no other we have attended. The fresh ideas, careful planning and warm hospitality of Ethnic Express, plus the glitz and variety of Las Vegas, made it the blast(-off) they had promised.

We started the weekend on Thursday, a day early, so that we could go to the Duquesne University Tamburitzans concert which replaced the usual mid-festival dance concert. This fine dance troupe has branched out in its repertoire to other European countries and also included beautiful instrumental and choral numbers. Ah, those handsome young people with their high energy and their strong young knees.

A beautiful wooden floor and good air conditioning make the Charleston Heights Art Center a great place to dance; and, of course, the dance sessions are always the core of a Statewide Festival. We appreciated the fact that the spacious room could accommodate a children's corner, where our four- and six-year old grandchildren could play with several other visiting children when they got tired of the grown-up music and dance.



Chinese dancers at Outdoor Ethnic Day

Another first was a Klingon dance teacher, Daniel Morse. Well, to this Star Trek fan he sure looked like a Klingon, although I suspect he took off the brow ridges at night, and his dances were suspiciously Israeli in music and movement. I liked the way Friday night's instructor, Tamburitzans' Dmitar Manov, gave us the ethnic context of the dances as he danced, and I particularly enjoyed the flirtatious Argentine dances introduced by B.Y.U.'s Ed Austin.

The big event was, as advertised, the Saturday night After Party at the Fremont Street Experience. Fremont Street has been converted to a pedestrian mall for five or six blocks, lighted up as Las Vegas always is. It is roofed with a metal mesh set with thousands of lights. Every hour it becomes the giant (six block long) screen for an animated light show with appropriate music.

And do the pedestrians ever come out! Many, many young adults, but plenty of parents and kids and grandparent types like us. In between shows, Ethnic Express took over the sound system for our music, and we showed Las Vegas what folk dancing is all about. Thank you, Dick and Donna and the rest of Ethnic Express for this extraterritorial extravaganza.

— Lila Aurich



Dancing at the Charleston Heights Art Center

SEPTEMBER

- 1 *Miss Haseltine's Drum*, Regency Dance. 7:30 - 11:30, at Lindberg Park, 5401 Rhoda Way, Culver City. Info: (213) 384-6622, www.regencyfriends.org.
- 1,2,3 *Greek Festival*, dancing, food, crafts. Assumption of the Virgin Mary Church, Long Beach. Info: (562) 494-8929.
- 3 **Labor Day Party, West L.A. Folk Dancers, 7:30 at Brockton School in W.L.A. See OTS for details. For info. call Beverly & Irwin at (310) 202-6166.**
- 7 *Malathi Iyengar and Rangoli Dance Co.* classical Indian music and dance. 12:00 at L.A. Watercourt. Free. See OTS for details.
- 7,8,9 *Greek Festival*, dancing, food, crafts. St. Paul Church, Irvine. Info: (949) 733-2366.
- 8,9 *Greek Festival*, dancing, food, crafts. SS Constantine & Helen Church, Cardiff-by-the-Sea. Info: (760) 942-0920.
- 9 *Manhattan Beach Arts Festival*. Int'l dance instruction, participation, performances, crafts, food. Free. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00. Info: (310) 802-5417.
- 14 *Charangoa*, Cuban music and dance. 12:00 at L.A. Watercourt. Free. See OTS for details.
- 14-16 *Central Coast Square Affair*, square dance weekend at Veteran's Memorial Cultural Center, Santa Maria. Info: (805) 773-2762.
- 16 *Brazilian Street Carnaval*. Brazilian dance, booths, food, parade. 12:00-10:00, at the Promenade, Long Beach. Info: (562) 438-3669.
- 20,21 *Taller Coreografico de la Unam*, Mexico City Ballet company. 8:00 Thursday night, and 12:00 on Friday. At L.A. Watercourt. Free. See OTS for details.
- 21-23 *Harvest Moon Dance Festival*. Contra dances, classes in dance, singing, music. Concert., live music. Santa Barbara. Info: (805) 563-4884.
- 21,22,23 *Ballet Folklorico de Mexico*, at Universal Amphitheatre. Info: (213) 252-TIKS, www.hob.com/marquee.
- 22 *April Verch and Band*, fiddler and step-dancer performs 8:00 at Encino Community Center, 4935 Balboa Blvd. Info: (818) 817-7756.

- 22 *Greek Festival*, dancing, food, crafts. SS Constantine & Helen Church, Lancaster. Info: (661) 945-1212.
- 22 *Interbranch Dance*, presented by San Gabriel Valley Branch of RSCDS. At Tustin Senior Center.
- 23, 23 *Greek Festival*, dancing, food, crafts. St. Anthony Church, Pasadena. Info: (626) 449-6945.
- 23 *Morgan Le Fay*, Celtic band plays 3:30 at Celtic Arts Center, 4843 Laurel Canyon Blvd., Valley Village. Info: (818) 760-8322.
- 28 *Mariachi las Adelitas*, women's mariachi group. 12:00 at L.A. Watercourt. Free. See OTS for details.
- 28, 29, 30 *Greek Festival*, dancing, food, crafts. St. John Church, Las Vegas NV. Info: (702) 221-8245.
- 29 *St. Michael's Madness*, English Country Dance Ball. 7:00 at South Bay Masonic Center, El Segundo. See OTS for details. Info: (310) 793-7499, www.geocities.com/sbecd.
- 29 *Day of the Drum Festival*, 10:00 a.m.-6:00 at Watts Towers, 1727 E. 107th St. L.A. Drum music and dance. Info: (213) 847-4646.
- 29, 30 **San Diego Oktoberfest, Balboa Park. Workshop, dancing, food, crafts. Council Mtg. Sunday at 10:30 a.m. See OTS for details. Info: gshen@ucsd.edu or (619) 286-0355.**

OCTOBER

- 5-7 *Hike and Dance Weekend*, Contra and square dancing with live music. At Camp Sturtevant in Angeles National Forest. Info: (909) 592-5811.
- 5, 6, 7 *Greek Festival*, dancing, food, crafts. St. Katherine Church, Redondo Beach. Info: (310) 540-2434.
- 12-14 **Federation Institute at Camp Hess Kramer, Malibu. Teachers: Denise Heenan, Yoni Carr, Beverly Barr. See OTS. Info: Beverly (310) 202-6166.**
- 13, 14 *African Festival*. At Oak Park, Santa Barbara. Free. Music, dance, food, crafts. Info: (805) 564-5419, lcruz@ci.santa-barbara.ca.us
- 25 *Miriam Makeba* - World Music - 'The Grand Dame of World Music' performs 8:00 at The Barclay, 4255 Campus Drive, Irvine. Info: (949) 854-4646, <http://www.thebarclay.org>.

Calendar

NOVEMBER

17 **Workshops and Festival**, featuring Yves and France Moreau. Sponsored by Folk Dance Scene. Dance workshops, evening party with live music, culture corner, kolo hour. 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m. At Westchester Senior Center, 8740 Lincoln Blvd. Info: Gerda (310) 474-1232, benzeev@ucla.edu.

24 *Victorian Ball*, presented by the Social Daunce Irregulars. 8:00 at Pasadena Masonic Lodge. Info: (310) 659-3326.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

8/3–9/3 *Family Picnic & Dancing on the Farm*. Every Friday night during the summer. 6:00 -10:00. Potluck & BBQ. All request dancing. Some teaching. Labor Day Sept. 3, 10:00 AM. Potluck BBQ at 1:00. Contact Max & June Horn, 6200 Alhambra Ave., Martinez, CA. 9455, (925) 228-859.

8/3-11 *Lark in the Morning*. Contra, square, English, Irish, Greek, Balkan, Middle East music and dance camp. At Mendocino Woodlands. Info: (707) 964-5569, larkinam@larkinam.com.

8/17 *Berkeley Folk Dancers Post-Camp Dance Live* Oak Recreation Center 1301 Shattuck Ave. 7:30 – 10:30. Members: Free; Non-members: \$5. Contact: Bev Johnson, (510) 234-2069.

8/19 *Little Festival in the Redwoods*. Dance 1:30 – 5:00 at Guerneville IOOF Hall. Potlucks before and after. Info: Frank & Elsa Bacher at (707) 546-8877.

8/19-26 *Middle Eastern Music and Dance Camp*, at Mendocino Woodlands, Info: (310) 838-5471, joshkuntamer@msn.com.

8/26-9/3 *Flamenco in the Redwoods*, dance, music and culture of southern Spain. At Mendocino Woodlands. Info: (707) 459-6592, latania@saber.net.

9/9 *Fiesta de Sonoma*. Veterans Bldg., 126 I St. West, Sonoma. Contact Frank & Elsa Bacher at (707) 546-8877.

10/20, 21 *Harvest Festival*, CSU Fresno. Workshops, exhibitions, dancing, North/South mtg. Info: Mike Norris, (559) 291-4958.

11/22–24 *Kolo Festival*, Russian Center, 2450 Sutter St., SF. Workshops with Yves Moreau, others, dancing to live music, food, crafts, concert. Info: (510) 652-7859, asha@jps.net.

12/2 *Treasurer's Ball*. At Veterans Bldg. 126 I St. West, Sonoma. Contact Page, (707) 833-4181.

OUT OF STATE

HAWAII

9/8-15 *Dance with Donna* -Trip to Hawaii with Donna Frankel. (800) 745-7545, cruises3@pacbell.net.

INDIANA

9/28–29 *Die Deutsche Gesellschaft fur Volkstanz (The German Society for Folkdance)*. Workshops, performance, dinner. At Seasons Lodge, Nashville.

MASSACHUSETTS

8/24 *Scandinavian Dance Workshop* with Roo Lester. 8:00 at Park Ave, Cong. Church, Arlington Hts. Info: (781) 662-7475.

8/31 *Romanian Dance Workshop* with Theodor and Lia Vasilescu. 8:00 at Park Ave. Cong. Church, Arlington Hts. Info: (781) 662- 7475.

Pinewoods camps, Plymouth. Info: (413) 268-7426, camp@cdss.org.

8/4–11 *English and American Dance Week*

8/11–18 *English Dance Week*

8/18–25 *Family Week*

8/25–9/1 *Folk Music Week*

9/1–4 *Labor Day Weekend*

NEVADA

10/24–28 *Tamburitza Extravaganza*, Kolo dancing, 20 Tamburitza orchestras, crafts, tours. At Silver Legacy Resort Casino, Reno. Info: Rich Krilich, 818 Prospect Ave. Elmhurst, IL 60126.

NEW MEXICO

8/9-13 *August Folk Dance Camp* at Rancho de Chaparral Camp in northern NM. Balkan and Asian dances with Wim Bekooy, and Norwegian dances with Ingvar Sodal. Info: Gary, Jane (505) 293-5343, jngdiggs@aol.com.

OHIO

10/20 *20th Anniversary Grand Ball*, vintage dance. Info: (513) 733-3077, www.vintagedance.net.

OREGON

8/31–9/3 *Balkanalia! Oregon*, Balkan music and dance workshops. Info: (510) 549-2124.

On the Scene

Folkdancers. A dance lesson is at 7:30, and live music at 8:30 on Tuesday night, August 14. The group meets at CalTech's Dabney Lounge.

For further info about Cal Tech Folkdancers: Nancy at (626) 797-5157, franprevas@yahoo.com. For further info about the Toids: <http://toids.org>.

— Nancy Mulligan

FULBRIGHT ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

The Fulbright Association has issued a call for applications for the 2001 Selma Jeanne Cohen Fund for Int'l Scholarship on Dance Award. The award will enable a dance scholar to present a major paper at the Fulbright Association's conference in November.

Dance scholars are invited to apply for the award, which will fund the recipient's travel and expenses in conjunction with the Fulbright Association conference. The competition is open to all dance scholars.

Proposal guidelines are available from the Fulbright Association and are posted on its web site at www.fulbright.org.

The inaugural Selma Jeanne Cohen Award was presented to Fulbright alumna Leslie Friedman. Dr. Friedman said, "I looked at how one culture might understand another culture and my idea of dance as a doorway for that understanding." Her paper was based on research conducted in India on Indian dance and aesthetics.

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ZELJKO JERGAN COMING TO LOS ANGELES

Just a short note to let all my folkdance friends know that Zeljko Jergan will be in LA for a wedding Sept. 27 to October 4. If anyone is interested in having a

workshop with him on Monday Oct 1, Tuesday Oct 2 or Wed Oct 3, please contact Heidi Granic A.S.A.P. at (818) 425-7706 to make the arrangements.

He is already booked for Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Thank you in advance for your help and please pass this on to anyone who might be interested.

VESELO SELO'S AUGUST SCHEDULE

August 4 - Beginner's night
11 Special guest teacher, **Billy Burke**
18 Reviews
25 Nostalgia night

CAMP HESS KRAMER WORKSHOP WEEKEND

We are very proud to announce our teaching staff for the 2001 Camp Hess Kramer Workshop Weekend, to be held October 12-13-14.

Denise Heenan teaches International and Scottish dance in Northern California. She performed with the Los Lupanos Mexican group. Denise comes to us with many years of experience teaching International Folk Dance and working with a Dance Camp.

Yoni Carr is a popular Israeli Folk Dance teacher in Southern California. She performed on Broadway, toured around the world as a soloist with the famous Inbal Theatre and Karmon group, and taught for Arthur Murray Dance Studio. Yoni comes to us with over 20 years of experience teaching Israeli and Ballroom dancing.

Beverly Barr is from the Los Angeles area, but is well known by International Folk Dancers throughout the U.S. Beverly and her husband Irwin teach and perform for many local events and retirement facilities. Beverly also has many years of experience teaching at camps and workshops.

This popular International Folk Dance Workshop Weekend is held every year at Camp Hess Kramer, a beautiful get-away in Malibu, and remains very reasonably priced. The "Camps Review" weekend is where lots of good dances from the recent Camps and Workshops are taught. The food is good, great parties and lots and lots of dancing. See the ad in this issue of Scene. Accommodations are on a first to register, first choice basis.

For information call Irwin or Beverly (310) 202-6166 or the Folk Dance Federation at (310) 478-6600. A flyer can be mailed to you.

— Camp Hess Kramer Committee

MOREAU-A-THON ON NOVEMBER 17

Yves and France Moreau will be at the Westchester Senior Center all day on November 17th. Workshops, culture corner, kolo hour, and evening party with live music by the UCLA Balkan Band. Sponsored by Folk Dance Scene. More details in next issue.

KITKA'S 2001-2002 SCHEDULE

For those of you who have been writing to ask when KITKA will be singing in your area, here are our latest tour dates for next season. In addition, we are also talking to presenters in other areas. If you are interested in bringing KITKA to your community, please contact us.

Northern California: August 11, St. Luke's Church, Los Gatos / November 17, Capitola Theater, Aptos / December 6-7, Del Norte Association for Cultural Awareness, Crescent City / December 8, 2001, open.

"Wintersongs" Concerts: December 9, Yreka Community Theater, Yreka / December 13, Lake Merritt Church, Oakland / December 14, St. Gregory's Church, SF / December 15, Venue TBA, San Jose / December 16, Stewart Chapel, San Anselmo.

Southern Calif: Oct. 15-19 Artist in Residence, Ventura / October 20, Church of Religious Science, Ventura / February 28-March 1, Cal Tech, Pasadena / March 2, Folk Heritage Concerts, San Diego.

Northeast: November 9, Harrisburg, PA / November 10, N. Andover, MA / November 11, Ellsworth, ME.

East Coast: Confirmation Pending: December 2-3, "Wintersongs", Washington, DC / December 3, Live In-studio taping in Washington, DC for NPR's "Performance Today".

Midwest: January 25-26, 2002 St. Louis, MO / March 15, Minneapolis, MN / March 16, Winona, MN.

For tour updates, visit <http://www.kitka.org/calendar/index.html>. For more information about concerts, vocal workshops, and how to order our recordings, call or write: KITKA, 1201 M. L. King Jr. Way, Oakland, CA 94612. Tel: (510) 444-0323/, Email: info@kitka.org.

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— *Jill Michtom*

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Announcement of CD-ROM Publication of The Dancing Master, 1651-1728: An Illustrated Compendium; See: <http://www.virtualdancing.com>. The Compendium comprises a database of all the known country dances, published in the various editions of The Dancing Master, by John Playford, Henry Playford and John Young, from 1651-1728, in London. The 24 editions in three volumes eventually encompassed 1,053 unique dances with their music.

For further info: playford@mdo.net

— *Robert M. Keller*

FACULTY POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

California State Polytechnic University in Pomona is looking for a full time lecturer beginning in Fall, 2001. The emphasis is on modern dance and world arts and culture. For information call the Institute of New Dance and Cultures at (909) 869-2790/4299. Or E-mail: gmfekete@csupomona.edu.

— *Jill Michtom*

ASHKENAZ ACTION

Friday August 17; Near East Far West

An annual gig which joins Edessa with friends Souren Baronian, Haig Manoukian, and Polly Tapia Ferber for a night of music from Armenia, Turkey, Greece, and the Balkans. If you have never heard these great musicians, here is your chance. Souren and Haig are from New York, and Polly comes from Santa Fe; so we don't have a chance to hear their music very often. Dance teacher to be announced. <http://www.ashkenaz.com>. At ASHKENAZ, Berkeley. (510) 525-5054.

EVEN MORE BAY AREA FOLK DANCE INFORMATION AT <http://www.geocities.com/bayfolk/>

NOTE: In order to contact me (Joyce Clyde) directly YOU MUST USE joycexopo@hotmail.com.

— *Joyce Clyde*

THE 'TOIDS' AT CAL TECH

The Toids (a six-piece Balkan ensemble) will play for your listening and dancing pleasure at Cal Tech

WEST VIRGINIA

8/31-9/3 *Buffalo on the Danube*. Classes with Steve and Susy Kotansky, Roo Lester, others. Evening parties, special children's program. At Buffalo Gap. Info: (301) 320-7099, dancingplanner@erols.com.

9/14-16 *American Dance Weekend*. Contras, squares, couple dances, singing. At Buffalo Gap. Info: (301) 694-6794, BuffaloBoe@aol.com.

WISCONSIN

10/19-22 *Chagigah*, Israeli folkdance camp. Classes with Edy Greenblatt, Israel Yakovee, others. Info: (847) 509-0990, X12, ZProgram@aol.com.

FOREIGN

CANADA

8/5-11 *Montreal Perseids Dance Camp*. Concordia University. Maria Christina, Joe Graziosi, France Hebert, Petri Kauppinen, Petur Iliev, Kete Ilievski. Info: Jocelyne, (514) 323-7166, jocelynev@videotron.ca.

8/9-12 *Montreal Celtic Festival*. Verdun, Quebec. Info: (514) 481-3471.

8/30-9/3 *Carrefour mondial de l'accordeon*. Quebec music and dance camp. Info: (418) 248-7927.

CZECH REPUBLIC

Workshops presented by DVORANA. Info: Spanielova 38/1275, 163 00 Praha 6, Czech Republic, dvorana@mbox.vol.cz.

8/1-5 *Slovakian Folk Dance Week*, by Ervin Varga, in Piest'any, Slovakia.

8/5-12 *Czech and Moravian Dance Week*, Nachod.

8/19-26 *Vintage Dance Week*, Prague. Teachers: Richard Powers, Philippe Coulatin, Radek & Eva Rejsek, Jan Pumpr, Jilka Bonusova.

GALAPAGOS ISLANDS

9/16-25 *Slow Dancing through the Galapagos Islands*, tour with Ken McFarland. Info: (800) 822-3435, farlands@ptialaka.net.

TURKEY

8/27-31 *Vintage Dance Week*, Istanbul. Teachers: Richard Powers, Philippe Coulatin, Radek & Eva Rejsek, Jan Pumpr, Jilka Bonusova.

CTMS Summer Solstice



Athan Karras

August 2001



Yves Moreau

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Mesmera (belly dance)

Folk Dance Scene

On the Scene

SCENE QUESTIONNAIRE

A couple of months ago we asked our readers to fill out a questionnaire about Folk Dance Scene. While the number of responses was disappointing, the results and the comments were very encouraging. Most of the items were in the "Like it very much", or "It's good" categories. We thank those of you who sent us your opinions, and as promised we are extending your subscription for an additional month. If anyone would like a copy of the tabulation, just ask one of us.

Here are the write-in comments we got, with our responses in brackets:..."Top-notch - professionally done"... "Great job!"... "Appreciate the hard work to produce Scene"... "Balance stories about deaths of folkdancers with stories of young dancers." [We do that as much as we can, and would like to do more. If anyone has any such material PLEASE SEND IT]... "Fantastic overview of all events- I look forward to each issue"... "Put calendar on -line, or have bulletin board" [Good idea, we'll look into it]... "It's superior"... "Print too small, and articles too long"... "Thanks for putting the 'folk' back in Folk Dance Scene"... "Please put in EMail addresses of committee." [They are there on p.2]... "Use better paper [We'd love to, but can't afford the cost.]... "Keep up the good work."

— *Folk Dance Scene Committee*

SAN DIEGO OKTOBERFEST

The first BIG Oktoberfest celebration of the season will occur on September 29 & 30 at the Balboa Park Club Bldg. Music and dance, food and crafts, fun and frolic. FREE admission.

Need not be German to attend and enjoy; but, if you wear a German hat, or scarf or pin you might get a hug from a frau or fräulein or from men with the funny leather britches. The Int'l Dance Assoc. of San Diego will sponsor two events: A workshop for learning the polka and other German dances Saturday 1:00 to 5:00; and the festival on Sunday 12:30 to 5:00 with an opportunity to polish your polka and join the colorfully dressed dancers in a program of joyous dancing.

The festival is sponsored by the Int'l Dance Assoc. of San Diego and the San Diego Parks and Recreation Dept. Info: gshen@ucsd.edu or (619) 286-0355.

— *Bob Barkley*

WEST L.A. FOLK DANCERS (MONDAYS and FRIDAYS)

The West L.A. Folk Dancers meet on Monday and Friday evenings in W. L. A. The group does a wide variety of International Folk Dances each week, with reviews and new teaching of old and new dances.

The group will be DARK on Mondays, July 30, Aug. 20 & 27 and Fridays, Aug. 6 & 24. On Aug. 31 we will begin at 8:15.

Friday's Schedule of Early Teaching of Scottish Set dances for August, begins at 7:45:

Aug. 3	DARK NIGHT
Aug. 10 & 17	Bees of Maggienockater
Aug. 24	DARK NIGHT
Aug. 31 (8:15)	Requested "walk throughs"

Upcoming Parties

Monday, Sept. 3 - LABOR DAY PARTY - 7:30

You can have a wonderful evening of dancing and partying to top off the weekend at the annual LABOR DAY PARTY in W. L. A. Your dance requests will be played by Irwin & Beverly Barr. Bring along the names of your favorite dances and your snacks and desserts for the pot luck table.

30TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY, Friday, OCT. 19

We are making plans for a big party. A Special Event calls for a Special Party with Special People. The special people are you, the folk dancers. Come help us celebrate the West L.A. Folk Dancer's 30th Anniversary. Save the Date! Friday, Oct. 19. You don't want to miss this party and we don't want you to either.

We look forward to seeing you at Brockton School, 1309 Armacost, W. L.A., (between Barrington and Bundy, 1 1/2 blocks north of Santa Monica Blvd.)

For info call (310) 202-6166.

— *Beverly & Irwin Barr*

FINJAN DANCE CAMP - LABOR DAY WEEKEND

This Israeli dance camp will be held Friday to Monday, Aug. 31 - Sept. 3, 2001, at UC Santa Barbara.

Teachers from Israel: **Rafi Ziv** and **Victor Gabbay** are back to FINJAN by popular demand! **Meir Shem Tov**, first time at Finjan. Meir's high reputation is known to all. He will be a great asset to Finjan this year. From California; **Israel Yakovee**, a specialist in Yemenite Dancing and great D.J. **William Harvey**, for the night owl dancers.

On the Scene

Come and join us for 4 days and 3 nights of dancing, dancing and more dancing on a Great Wood Floor. Meet the friendliest groups you can expect and learn new dances from the best teachers/choreographers.

Rooms have private bathrooms. Enjoy the Summer at the beautiful Santa Barbara Beach.

DON'T MISS A GREAT FINJAN 2001 CAMP.

Yoni Carr, Finjan Camp Director has performed on Broadway and toured around the world as a soloist with the famous Inbal Theatre and Karmon group. Also, Yoni was a counselor at the Arthur Murray Dance Studio and has over 20 years of experience in teaching Israeli Folk Dance and Ballroom.

For more Info: Call Yoni (760) 631-0802 E-mail: yonicc@earthlink.net.

— *Yoni Carr*

THE WORLD'S LARGEST DISCUSSION GROUP OF FOLKDANCERS!

I'm inviting you to join the FolkDancer World List. Your chance to connect with Folkdancers around the world, to learn of events, camps and other folkdance news. This list is FREE and will remain free forever! It's sole purpose is to keep folkdancers around the world in touch with each other.

We all look forward to hearing from you, whether it's your opinion on a new dance, music trends, hot choreographers, places to dance around the world, an announcement or review of an event or just to introduce yourself to other dancers around the world.

If you would like to join, it's as easy as sending an e-mail. To subscribe and be a part of FolkDanceWorld simply send an e-mail to: subscribe@folkdancer.net. You will be sent further instructions and rules.

— *Kimberly Frankel*

NARODNI FOLK DANCERS

Narodni invites you to a Family Night & Barbecue on Thursday, August 30th. There will be hot dogs or veggie dogs & trimmings; bring a side dish to share. All request evening. Families. singles, everybody welcome. \$5 Barbecue and dance; \$3 dance only. Please RSVP.

United Methodist Church, 3759 Orange Ave. (at Bixby St.), Long Beach, CA 90807. For more info. or to RSVP, John (562) 424-6377, or John@narodni.org.

— *Carol Wall*

MUSIC FROM YVES MOREAU

Beyond the Mystery Village Music of Bulgaria. Field recordings by Yves Moreau recorded in Bulgaria 1966-1972. This is the 3rd and last in a collection of 3 CDs featuring instrumental and vocal village music from all ethnographic regions of Bulgaria. CD comes with a descriptive booklet written by Yves Moreau. For info: (405) 659-9721, Fax: (450) 659-9377, E-mail: info2bourque-moreau.com, Website: www.bourque-moreau.com.

— *Jill Michtom*

ST. MICHAEL'S MADNESS

The first L. A. Playford Ball will be on Saturday, Sept. 29, 7:00-11:00 at South Bay Masonic Ctr, El Segundo. The dances will be lightly briefed but not taught.

IMPORTANT! Admission by pre-Registration ONLY. Tickets will not be available at the door! Info: website at www.geocities.com/sbecd or call (310) 793-7499.

WEST VALLEY NEEDS REWINDER

Last month our club had a burglary in which our tape player was taken. Fortunately, that was easily replaced. But the burglars also took our battery-operated tape rewinder, of all things! It is small and inexpensive, but we have not been able to replace it.

Since we have our dances one on each side of a short tape, it's very helpful when setting up a program to rewind it to the needed side. We've had one for years (decades?), and have gotten used to using it, but none of the stores we've tried have them. Anyone know where we can get one?

— *Jay Michtom*

FREE AT CALIFORNIA PLAZA

Did you know that there are free concerts of music and/or dance at the Water Court at California Plaza during the summer into October? It's a lovely outdoor venue (some shaded areas) with eateries all around and umbrella tables for eating and watching the concerts. Coming up in August: HULA HALAU O LILINOE, Hawaiian music and dance on Aug. 10 at noon, L.A. Baroque Orchestra on Aug. 11 at 8:00, and others including a Family Sing-a-long on Sept. 16th at 3:00. For more info: call Concertline: (213) 687-2159, or E-mail www.grandperformances.org.

— *Jill Michtom*