



News from Sun Assembly

Summer 2015

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DanceFest Past...

Summer is upon us with a vengeance, but let's take a moment to remember the delightful spring weekend when we danced with **David Millstone** to the fabulous music of **Julie Gorka, Dean Herington, Joey O'Donnell, Walt Robinson, & Mara Shea**. Many thanks go out to them, and to our great volunteers, especially coordinator **Sharon Bottesch**, registrar **Leah Hefner**, venue coordinator **Donald Hughes**, refreshment coordinator **Heide Dorfman**, sound man **Doug Young**, publicity maven **Jim Tynen**, and all the people who hosted, brought food, and generally helped to make this event a big success. It couldn't happen without you!

...and Future!!!

Plans for next year's **DanceFest** are well under way. Leah and Donald are co-chairing the event; **Brooke Friendly** will lead the festivities. Put the 2nd weekend of March on your calendars NOW!

Dance with the Highlanders!

Julie and Mara brought their student band, the **Highlanders**, for a great performance in May. They played for a couple of dances, then stayed on to dance a bit. They are our future!!!

Dances of the Month

June's choice is the Friendly/Sackett **On Wittman's Golden Floor**. Let's remember that Allan participated with Carl in bringing the dances to life in Oregon—so perhaps it's *On Wittman & Troxler's Golden Floor!* In July, we generally review previous dances of the month. Start studying up on them! August will bring us the amazing **Amazed Genetecist** (thanks for the suggestion, Eric!).

Local CDSS Centennial Celebration:

SAVE THE DATES—November 14-15

Sun Assembly and **Triangle Country Dancers** are collaborating on a weekend of festivities at the **Murphey School** for our local dancers and musicians, in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the **Country Dance and Song Society**. Talk with **Lucy** or **Pat** at the dance if you have ideas or would like to be involved. Go to www.cdss100.org to see what's being planned across the country.

Website—Thanks and good luck!

Dan Grandstaff has been our webmaster since we first started our site. He's now turned it over to **Jana Alexander**, who with the able assistance of Leah (photographs! dance lists!!) and Doug will take on that vital task. **THANKS DAN!!!**, and good luck to Jana. Keep your eyes on the site as it grows and changes.

Open Mike Great Fun!

A HUGE thanks to **Eric** for the great job he did coordinating our recent **open mike** night, and a shout-out to all the callers who did such a terrific job.

Summer camp—register NOW!

Can you imagine yourself immersed in a whole week of dancing and music in a rustic setting between 2 ponds in a glorious New England summer? Registration for some of the weeks at [PineWoods Camp](#) and other CDSS camps is still open. Just think about how good a dip in the pond will feel after a day or evening of dancing...

A great way to celebrate the [CDSS Centennial Year](http://CDSS.org) will be to join the **Country Dance and Song Society**, the umbrella organization that supports all kinds of English & American dance & dance camps, provides scholarships, publishes materials, & much more. If Sun Assembly inspires 8 new people to become CDSS members, we will get a free year of affiliate membership; if 10, we'll get a free ad in the CDSS newsletter!!! Go to CDSS.org for info (and shop their [store](#) for great tunes and other dance-related items).

SUN ASSEMBLY MEMBERSHIP 2015

NAME _____ PHONE _____

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CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____ E-MAIL _____

I'm in! Here's my check to SUN ASSEMBLY for ___\$20 (annual regular membership)

Send newsletter by ___e-mail ___regular mail. Enclosed is my (tax-deductible) contribution of ___ to the Celia Wright Live Music Fund.

DANCE CALENDAR and teaching schedule

Dances are held at the **Freedman Center of Beth El Synagogue**, Watts St. at Green, Durham, 7:30-9:30 p.m., **unless otherwise specified**. Suggested donation: \$7/night or \$25/month. For more info, call 919-286-2202 or 919-683-9672.

From Raleigh: take I-40 to the Durham Freeway; exit at Duke St. Turn right; go through town, past the high school on the left, thru the lights at Trinity & Markham. Go one more block, turn left on Green, go to the 2nd stop sign, turn left on Watts, & left into the parking lot.

From Chapel Hill: take 15-501 to I-85 north. Exit at Gregson St. The 3rd light is Markham; turn right, right at the next corner onto Watts, & right into the parking lot. The building is to the left of the parking lot.

WHEN	WHERE	TEACHERS	SPECIAL INFO
Thurs., June 25	Freedman Center	Pat Petersen	Live Music!
Thurs., Jul. 2	Freedman Center	Leah Hefner	Leah's favorites to celebrate her birthday!
Thurs., Jul. 9	Freedman Center	Allan Troxler	Live Music! Beginners' lesson at 7:15
Thurs., Jul. 16	Freedman Center	Gail Lacy	
Thurs., Jul. 23	Freedman Center	Gail Lacy & Leah Hefner	Live Music!
Thurs., Jul. 30	Freedman Center	Pat Petersen	5th Thursday—all new dances! (but not hard)
Thurs., Aug. 6	Freedman Center	Pat Petersen	
Thurs., Aug. 13	Freedman Center	Allan Troxler	Live Music! Beginners' lesson at 7:15
Thurs., Aug. 20	Freedman Center	Allan Troxler	
Thurs., Aug. 27	Freedman Center	Gail Lacy	Live Music!
Thurs., Sep. 3	Freedman Center	Pat Petersen	
Thurs., Sep. 10	Freedman Center	Allan Troxler	Live Music! Beginners' lesson at 7:15
Thurs., Sep. 17	Freedman Center	Gail Lacy	
Thurs., Sep. 24	Freedman Center???	Gail Lacy	Live Music!