



News from Sun Assembly

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HEADS UP! LOCATION CHANGE

September 17 & 24

On the dates above, our regular dance will be at **Binkley Baptist Church**, 1712 Willow Drive, Chapel Hill. Please join us there. *See link to directions in calendar.*

Open Mike Oct. 15

•**Open Mike is on again!** Last time was a great success, with many dancers calling a dance or two to make for a very festive evening, truly bringing our community together. We will be using recorded music, so if you would like to call a dance, keep that in mind. If you would like to call, contact **Mary McConnell**, marymcconnell@bellsouth.net, or let her know at dance on September 24.

Halloween Dance Oct. 30

We've had lots of fun over the years coming to the dance nearest to Oct. 31 **dressed as an English Country dance**. This year, we'll have **live music** for 5th Thursday, so it's no holds barred as you contemplate your costume! If you let Pat know *by email* a week ahead of time, she'll put it on the program for that night.

New Year's Eve!

Dance in the New Year with Sun Assembly! Details to follow in the next newsletter; music will be provided by **The Ark Angels**.

Lots of nearby events!

- Sep. 25-27: [Fandango](#), Atlanta
- Oct. 3: **Salem Ball**, Winston-Salem; [336.871.9111](tel:336.871.9111), e-mail karenbandler2@aol.com.
- Oct. 9-11: [Sharpes Assembly](#), Seabring, FL
- Oct. 24: [Trafalgar Ball](#), Petersburg, VA; with Mara & Dean.

Dances of the Month

Your regular teachers have chosen **Dances of the Month** for the next few months! They are (subject to last-minute changes):

September: Rose of Sharon (Fried Herman)

October: Lull Me Beyond Thee

November: Barham Down

December: review

January: Hortonia (Philippe Callens)

February: Apollo's Hunt (Gary Roodman)

March: Spring Garden

Instructions and music for the **Dance of the Month** will be sent to all on our e-mail list. (See Judy to sign up!)

CDSS Centennial Celebration!

Really exciting doings are planned to celebrate! Sun Assembly and the Triangle Country Dancers are collaborating to celebrate on the weekend of **November 12-15**. In addition to the regular SA and TCD dances, we're presenting music, dance, and song events of all kinds at **Murphey School** on Saturday and Sunday. The Friday and Saturday events are **FREE** to anyone who is a member of SA, TCD, or CDSS. Check out our [Centennial FaceBook Invitation](#) for details as they are forthcoming. And while you're at it, read some fascinating articles on CDSS history at www.cdss100.org

Save the Date! March 13-14, 2016

Spring DanceFest with Brooke Friendly

March 12-13, 2016 is the weekend! Our superb musicians will provide the usual divine accompaniment.

Welcome to our newcomers!

A BIG welcome to all the new folks who have joined us recently! Take the extended hand, keep smiling, and remember that we were all beginners once. We're glad you're sharing our love of this fun, beautiful dance form. Don't be shy about asking for help when you need it.

Join Us!

You can support English Country Dance in our community in several important ways:

1. **Come to dances!**
2. **Bring your friends!**
3. **Become a member** of Sun Assembly.
4. **Donate to the Celia Wright Live Music Fund**

Your membership helps us sponsor regular Thursday dances as well as special events (such as the CDSS Centennial Celebration, New Year's Eve, and Spring DanceFest) and our fabulous musicians. You'll find membership/renewal/donation forms at the dance. Many thanks for your support! And while you're at it, consider joining the **Country Dance and Song Society**, the umbrella organization that has supported all kinds of English & American dance & dance camps, providing scholarships, publishing materials, & much more for a **hundred years!** Check out their webpage, www.cdss.org

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.

Directions to **Binkley Baptist Church, Chapel Hill:** <http://www.binkleychurch.org/about/directions>

WHEN	WHERE	TEACHERS	SPECIAL INFO
Thurs., Sep. 3	Freedman Center	Pat Petersen	
Thurs., Sep. 10	Freedman Center	Allan Troxler	Live Music! Beginners' lesson at 7:15
Thurs., Sep. 17	Binkley Baptist	Gail Lacy	
Thurs., Sep. 24	Binkley Baptist	Gail Lacy	Live Music!
Thurs., Oct. 1	Freedman Center	Allan Troxler	
Thurs., Oct. 8	Freedman Center	Leah Hefner & Eric Conrad	Live Music! Beginners lesson at 7:15
Thurs., Oct. 15	Freedman Center	OPEN MIKE!	Contact Mary McConnell to sign up
Thurs., Oct. 22	Freedman Center	Gail Lacy	
Thurs., Oct. 29	Freedman Center	Pat Petersen	Live Music! Halloween! Come as an English country dance. (Bring your leftover candy...)
Thurs., Nov. 5	Freedman Center	Gail Lacy	
Thurs., Nov. 12	Freedman Center	Pat Petersen	Live Music! Beginners lesson at 7:15
Sat.-Sun., Nov. 14-15	Murphey School, Durham	BIG CDSS CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION!!!	
Thurs., Nov. 19	Freedman Center	Pat Petersen	
Thurs., Nov. 26	Freedman Center	Allan Troxler	Come dance off that turkey!!!
Thurs., Dec. 3	Freedman Center	Gail Lacy	
Thurs., Dec. 10	Freedman Center	Pat Petersen	Live Music! Beginners lesson at 7:15
Thurs., Dec. 17	Freedman Center	Allan Troxler	
Thurs., Dec. 24	TBA	TBA	Dance??? a BIG maybe at this point!
Thurs. Dec. 31	The Ark		New Years Eve Dance—watch for details!

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