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The planners and schedulers in the Orlando Council of Arts and Sciences were busy scheming during the month of February. By the time you receive this Newsletter a schedule of performances -- including the Folk Dance show -- should be out. . . But too late for this issue. Hope to have firm information next month.

- Larry Wartell

Stmmmm!

In case anyone missed it, VOGUE magazine carried an interesting description of the current dance craze. On page 90 they say that the new way to do the Hustle and other popular rhythmic dances is as a "...chorus line intricate dance done in single or multiple rows. . . the feeling is cozy, exhilarating and. . . everybody does the same hustle strut (you never shuffle), surging forward, backward, then to both sides; topped off with a heel-click, stomp, pivot and kick. . ."

Does anyone get the same feeling I do that this is almost a description of certain international folk dances? If they only knew what they were missing. .

-Shirley J Fisher, Tampa
Festival Folk Dancers

FOLK DANCE ASSOCIATION

In the last few years we've sensed a growing need for an organization designed to promote folk dance in the U.S. and Canada and serve as a clearinghouse of services and information. With this in mind, we are setting up Folk Dance Association.

To set the ball rolling we'd like you to tell us, candidly and specifically, what services in the folk dance field you'd like to see implemented. Below are listed several programs that could be sponsored by such a national organization. Please jot down and send us your thoughts and reactions, keeping in mind the following questions: 1) Do you think the proposed service is necessary or valuable to folk dancers? 2) Is it something you might use personally? 3) How can it be financed to bring in enough income to cover expenses and pay staff for their work? 4) Would you like to take part in setting it up and, if so, how?

* Directory: An annual directory of classes, sessions, publications, activities, products, services and related organizations. This is FOLK DANCE DIRECTORY, now in its 6th year of publication.

* Newspaper: A monthly newspaper featuring a chronological list of upcoming special events. It's called MIXED PICKLES, and is scheduled to be born in February 1976.

* Journal: A quarterly or bi-annual journal of articles on folk dance, folklore and related topics.

* Placement Service: Folk dance specialists have to spend a lot of time and expense to arrange workshop dates and teaching tours. Folk Dance Association could serve as an agent making all necessary arrangements for several leaders at one time.

* Publicity Service: Anyone who has run a special event knows how much time and money go into publicity. Folk Dance Association could employ

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The FFDC NEWSLETTER is a publication of the Fla. Folk Dance Council, Route 3, Box 90, Sarasota FL 33580.

Officers of the Florida Folk Dance Council are:
President Cubby Whitehead
Treasurer Nolia Stephan
Secretary Bea & Phil Statnick

Individual membership in the FFDC is \$3 per year
Family membership (incl. wife, husband, & any children under 18) is \$5 per year. Membership fees should be sent to Nolia Stephan, 3500 Bayou Louise Lane, Sarasota 33581

The FFDC NEWSLETTER is sent to all members. Fla. Folk Dance groups may be listed in the FFDC Directory free of charge. Out of state groups may be listed for a small fee - \$2 per year. Contributions to the NEWSLETTER should be sent to Beadie, PO 19461, Orlando FL 32814

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someone on a regular basis to design and mail out flyers and press releases for several events each month, thereby not only saving many individuals lots of time, effort and money but also helping to increase attendance.

* Activities: There are many novel themes that could be used in planning weekends, camps, festivals and other special events. What new ideas do you have for such events?

* Other programs: What other services would you like Folk Dance Association to provide during the next few years? Please be as specific as possible.

We plan to devote 1976 to getting enough feedback to develop and implement programs in a responsible and effective manner. It is important to emphasize that in being as candid and specific as possible, your comments in no way commit you to make personal use of future programs. The important thing is to send us your ideas of what Folk Dance Association can do to bring this activity to more people, and expand it for those already involved.

Please send all comments, ideas and contributions to Folk Dance Association, P.O. Box 500, Brooklyn, New York 11230, or give us a call at (212) 434-1766.

And thanks in advance for your help.

Coming

April 9/10/11 -- 4th Annual LA
Spring Folk & Ethnic
Fest, LSU, Baton Rouge
April 17 -- Folk Fest,
Tallahassee
May 1-9 Dimensions '76, Orlando

Deadline

Deadline for March issue is
March 20. PLEASE double space
any items sent in for printing.
Thanks, Beadie

Incidentally - - -

IT DELAYS YOUR MEMBERSHIP TO SEND
IT TO ANY ONE OTHER THAN TO THE
TREASURER: NOLIA STEPHAN, 3500
BAYOU LOUISE LANE, SARASOTA 33581

FFDC Directory

SUNDAY

CLEARWATER Scottish Dancing, 7:30pm
John Marsden (813)447-6176
ST PETERSBURG Eckerd College Folk
Dancers 6-7:30pm. Dick Bredenberg
(813)867-5061
TALLAHASSEE FSU International Folk
Dancers 7:30-10:30pm. Pat Jung
(904)576-3028
WEST PALM BEACH nights. June Volpi
(305)848-2072

MONDAY

DAYTONA BEACH International Dancing
7:30-10pm Susan Horvath (904)
255-5767
LEESBURG International Folkdancing
7:30-9pm. Tom/Helen Sears (904)
787-5333 days; 787-0861 eves.

TUESDAY

HALLANDALE International Folk Dancing
7-10pm Clarice/Bernie Adler
(305)233-3117
LAKELAND-WINTER HAVEN Folk Dancing
7:30 pm. Donna Roe (813)683-0320
MIAMI Israeli Dancing 7:30-9:30pm
Yosef Yanich (305)576-4330
MIAMI Univ of Miami International
Folk Dance Group. Ira Weisburd
(305)538-3966
WEST PALM BEACH International Folk
Dancing, 1-3 pm Archie & Zoe
Juris (305) 968-3152

WEDNESDAY

MIAMI International Folk Dancers
7:30-10pm. Ginny/Manny Corwin
(305)444-3730
ORLANDO International Folk Dance
Club 7:57-10:30pm. Dave Digby
(305)422-2028; Larry Wartell
645-0290
SARASOTA The Folksdancing 1st &
3rd Wed. Cubby/Jeanie Whitehead
(813)755-6212 or 755-7005

THURSDAY

TALLAHASSEE FSU International Folk
Dancers 7-10pm Bob Weinstein
(904)222-7576
WEST PALM BEACH Scottish & Eng-
lish Country Dancing 7:30 pm
Mac & Helen Reiskind, Howard
Park Clubhouse

LOUISIANA: TUESDAY - BATON ROUGE
Israeli Dancing 7:30-10pm
Vonnice R Brown (504)926-1095

FRIDAY

FT LAUDERDALE Folk & Round Dance
Class 2-4pm Abe/Vivian Halpern
(305)791-8833
GAINESVILLE Univ of Fla Folk
Dance Club 9-12M. John Ward
(904)376-0224
MIAMI City of Miami International
Folk Dancers. Every other Fri.
9-10:30pm. Marilyn Roth (305)
856-1314; Joe Knight 595-0666
MIAMI Scottish Country Dancing
7:45-9:45pm. Ken/Isis Hilton
(305)667-9059
MIAMI BEACH Israeli Dancing 9-1
Yosef Yanich (305)576-4330
MIRAMAR Irish/American Ceili Club
4th Fri. Mary Borden (305)
625-1652; Jack Smith 587-5552
PENSACOLA Tzigany U of W Fla
7:30-? Jim Marsh (904)438-3284
Drew Harris 434-3744
TAMPA 7-10pm. Judith/Ernesto
Baizan (813)257-0001 or
245-1881

SATURDAY

FT LAUDERDALE Around-the-World
Dancers. 7:30-5pm Bea/Phil Stat-
nick (305)771-5287
MIAMI Univ of Miami International
Folk Dance Group. Ira Weisburd
(305) 538-3966
MIAMI Israeli Coffee House
Yosef Yanich (305)576-4330

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HALLANDALE Workshops, Internation-
al folk dances. Bea/Charles
Kaufman (305)929-5359
MIAMI Belly Dance Lessons. Linda
Hyams (305)573-7956
MIAMI-FT LAUDERDALE Belly Dance
Lessons. Karen Gillis (305)
763-1193
SARASOTA New College Folk Dancers
(during school term) Elaine
Feder (813)349-6413
WEST PALM BEACH Folk Dancing.
Rose/Sam Kanars, 129 Easthamp-
ton, Century Village 33401

WEDNESDAY (&SUNDAY) -BATON ROUGE
7:30-11:30pm. Vonnice R Brown
(504)293-4503

The Folksdancing

The Folksdancing is happily settled in at their new home as of October with The City of Sarasota Recreation Department. We have a terrific wooden floor and kitchen facilities available.

We've given several German folk dance demonstrations: The Van Wezel Auditorium in Sarasota with the Sarasota Concert Band; the German-American Club in St. Petersburg; and had a lovely lunch and afternoon with Gretel Dunsing and her friends from Tyrone Villas in St Petersburg where she lives. It's also a special treat when she visits our group and always graciously shares some dance instruction with us.

We've spent several teaching sessions with local church youth groups, Girl Scouts, and the 4th grade from Pine View School who did a great performance at their school carnival.

We had a great time New Year's Eve beginning with an international covered dish dinner and joined by some of the Tampa, St Petersburg, and Tallahassee folk dancers.

- Jeanie Whitehead

Scottish Dancers: attention!

WOW! It was really a treat last evening to be dancing with eleven and one-half couples! Since the Mary Ann Taylor Scottish weekend in December, the Sarasota dancers, joined by several from St Petersburg and Lakeland have been enthusiastically meeting 2-3 times monthly. If you don't have a wooden floor we've found a smooth carpet is fine-- thru the generosity of Adeline Ozer, that's what we use at her condominium's recreation hall. We have had a guest teacher visiting from New York City and often have visitors who are vacationing in the area. Several pleasant dances have been enjoyed at the Clearwater group which usually has three sets (12 couples) and a few more. On March 11, 12, 13 (I believe) in Dunedin (just north of Clearwater) will be a three day festival for the Scottish games and music. Pipe bands come from as far away as Canada and sometimes there are guest performers from Scotland.

- Jeanie Whitehead

Folk Fair Held

February 20, 21, 22 at The Bayfront Center in St Petersburg was held an International Folk Fair with ethnic entertainment, crafts and foods.

Wedding Bells !!

Congratulations and best wishes to Pat Henderson and Bob Quibudeaux who have recently announced their mutual engagement! Latest date is set for April 24.

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