



Florida Folk Dancer

A Newsletter of the Florida Folk Dance Council, Inc.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

PREZ SEZ

by Terry Abrahams

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New Year's Greetings to All! Hope your holidays were and continue to be exciting, fun, profitable, whatever you needed! I danced in Ft. Lauderdale at Machol Miami, which was loaded with cute themes, amazing amounts of food, friends I haven't seen in a long time, and of course – a LOT of dancing!

Dan is swamped with his “real work” and timing is bad for him, so I have taken responsibility for this issue – any bad mistakes – my fault! In the meantime, Dan may need to step down. If you are interested in being the editor, please let me know. He'll be a hard act to follow, but.

Here is the latest camp update. I am assuming you read the last issue carefully and have kept any information you need such as directions, maps, housing, etc.

1. At the end is another Registration Form. This one is slightly different, but if you have already registered, no worries! If you haven't – DO IT! I'm assuming you read last month's issue – **carefully** – and have no questions.
2. Andi Kapplin has given us her version of directions from I-75 South, and I have included those.
3. I assume you saw the bios and registration form, sent to you at the same time as the last issue, but not actually within the actual newsletter. If you didn't notice – notice it now!
4. I haven't found anyone to handle menus, so I guess you'll have to trust

me! I intend to have at least one meal a day include at least one dish from either Poland or Serbia, and snack time will also have a relationship. Yes, I'll also bring my chopped liver! I think it's Polish anyway – my grandmother always made it. And she was Polish.

5. I have filled one Olga Princi scholarship, one regular scholarship. Are there others out there that need a little financial assistance to make the camp? Please let me know – time is drawing near you know...deadline January 1.
6. Dance hall decorators have been located, as well as snack folks – thanks!
7. Reminder – if you haven't sent your registration form in, and have some favorite dances that will make your weekend happier, please write them on the back of your registration form. If you already sent it, but thought of another dance, send your request directly to John.
8. Please refer to last month's issue for what to bring to camp.
9. I need someone (s) to bring bedding for the teachers? Anyone?
10. There is still 1 room with a Queen bed available at the Bed and Board (\$240). Let Pat know if you are interested.
11. I'll put the websites here again for you.

Camp Crystal Lake – www.campcrystal.com

Richard Schmidt – Polish – www.folkdance.ca

Miroslav Marcetic – Serbian – www.marcetic.com

ALTERNATE DIRECTIONS FROM ANDI KAPPLIN

Howdy! Just wanted to suggest that you tell everyone to exit at Hwy. 318 instead of at Hwy 27. It's about 12 or so miles further north and is a great cut through to US 301, bringing you out at Citra. That way you avoid Ocala traffic. The other alternative is to exit at HWY 326 which is about 3 miles north of 27 and avoids most of Ocala traffic. Sorry but I can't remember the exit numbers.

GRAPEVINE INT'L FOLK DANCERS OF SARASOTA

by Marie Millett gvduurn@earthlink.net

We had our holiday party on the 21st. 25 dancers joined for good food and great dancing. We've had visitors from Georgia – Sara and Jim, and Sergio and Barbara from N.J. as well as Anna Belle and Jay from Pittsburg.

I'm excited about my 80th birthday party on January 15th at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Sarasota. Everybody is welcome. There will be folk dancing and ballroom dancing with a live band! Contact me at 941-351-6281 or gvduurn@earthlink.net if you are coming!

ORLANDO INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCE CLUB

By: Pat Henderson
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As the end of the year approaches, the most surprising news is that we are still dancing at our dance studio behind our home. Bobby and I have a new plan-to sell our two vacant land parcels and then use some of that money to buy another home in the Monticello area. That way we can take our time to move and we could always come back if we change our minds! It makes even more sense when you consider that we have a daughter in Orlando and a son in

Tallahassee. The folk dancers were very relieved to hear of our new plan.

Juanita Schockey had her hip replacement surgery on December 13 and is recovering very well. She visited her bridge group 9 days after surgery to wish everyone a joyous holiday season. We were very pleased to see how well she could walk with her walker.

Our annual holiday party was December 14 and we had a pot luck dinner before dance. The chefs this year created some fabulous dishes. One unusual thing happened--no one brought a dessert! We were all watching our waistline (and diabetes for some). Terry came over from Tampa for the party. We danced every Wednesday through the holidays doing the Western Mixer to Jingle Bells. On December 21, Kelly Fagan brought her mother, Tina, and sister, Linda, to dance with us. May 2006 be a great year for everyone!

TAMPA!!

I went to the holiday party in Orlando and had my usual good time with everyone. They always put on good parties! Danced a lot, **ate too much**. Then I went to Machol Miami for the Xmas weekend, which is a great thing to do if you're Jewish! Lots of new dances, I wasn't as excited as some years, but will teach a couple of them. But I saw lots of friends, caught up on gossip, **ate too much**, hit the hot tub and danced my tushie off til all hours of the night. I also went to a Boca friend's Hannukah party which was a blast, spent a couple of nights with my fencing coach and wife, and my old next door neighbor from my childhood (that stood up for me at my wedding) came to visit with us (she lives in Nashville), so lots of catching up. Fenced in Pittsburg the first of the month and took two 2nd s and a 3rd!!! Saw snow, also saw good fencing buddies, again **ate too much**. Hmm... Is this a pattern??? This was the start of qualifying for the US team again. Hit a small tournament in G'ville and won that one!!! Love those 1st places – and they don't happen too often any more.

Ursula is coming along – besides her back surgery she now had cataract surgery – we do a lot of finger-crossing for her! Andi's daughter and son-in-law came in for the holidays, which made her very happy! Shira is a successful lawyer in

Chicago. Judith's family (usually 23, but this time only 18) got together for their Annual Christmas supper, and Cassandra and Austin sang a lovely Xmas carol they had earlier performed at church. Austin, (18!) is going to Uruguay as a Mormon missionary for 2 years. The day after Xmas, they all

Tampa – (con't)
The whole family went bowling! Now that's a change!
Some of us are contra dancing on New Year's Eve.
A good way to bring in the new year...and we hope you all have a Happy One!

DICK CRUM - FOLKDANCE ICON LEAVES THE DANCE FLOOR

[This article received from Kay Demos]

Dick Crum passed away last night. He hadn't been feeling up to par for about a week, but he did nothing about it. Apparently he died of a heart attack.

A memorial service for him is being organized in the Santa Monica area. His body will be cremated and the ashes will be sent to his sister in Minneapolis, where he was born.

For those of us who know him, he was a true folk dancing icon. Every IFD teacher has used him as the gold standard when it comes to teaching techniques and styling. He coined the phrase "dancing inside your shoes" when referring to the subtle small steps that are prevalent in Croatian and Serbian dances. His ability to combine his wit and teaching talents made Dick a dance teacher par excellence.

I will truly miss Dick...he was a real gem of a person. May his memory be eternal.

GEORGE SENYK

Husband

Father

Caller

Dancer

Teacher

Friend

Only the best of memories...

He will be missed.

HAL JUNG DONATION

Received from Project Learn to Read: "Thank you for your \$25 donation in memory of Hal Jung. "He was a very special person and everyone here will miss him greatly. Hal was a very intelligent, kind, and caring man and all the staff, students, and tutors appreciated all that he did for us. Hal volunteered many, many hours of his time and his expertise. He has helped our program to remain open, and to develop a more student-centered curriculum for those of our students who have had difficulty learning to read. His one-to-one training of tutors greatly improved Project Learn to Read's ability to more effectively serve our students. The standards he set will remain a benchmark of our service. Your donation will help carry on the work we do; the work that was so important to Hal. I apologize for the delay in sending you this note. The work has been overwhelming since we lost Hal. Sincerely, Carol Spiegl"

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UPCOMING DANCE EVENTS

January 2006

4-8, Wed.-Sunday: Greek Festival, Tarpon Springs, <http://levendia.org/schedule.htm>

13-15, Fri-Sunday: English Infusion Dance Weekend, O'Leno State Park, FL

13-15, Fri-Sunday: Ralph Page Dance Legacy Weekend, Durham, NC a New England folk dance event, call 603-436-8372 or www.neffa.org/rplw.html

Upcoming events (con't) January 2006

15, Marie Millet's birthday party – see article and/or invitation in this newsletter.

20, Fri. 4:00 – 8:00. Open House – Florida Eastern Europe Linkage Institute, Polish Educational and Cultural Foundation host the first Central Florida Eastern Europe Initiative event at the UCF campus. Food, Music, Ethnic Cultural Displays, contact 407-352-6569 or 407-365-2586 – Barbara Ying.

February 2006

3,4, Friday, Saturday: Greek Festival, Ocala

17-20, Friday-Monday: FFDC Florida Camp, Camp Crystal Lake, Keystone Heights, FL

March 2006

25, Saturday, Spring Fling in Port Orange, FL

April 2006

1,2, Saturday, Sunday: 19th Annual Israeli Workshop at JCC of Greater Orlando

Guest Teacher: Ruth Goodman

7-9, Fri-Sunday: Rang Tang 2006, Stone Mountain, GA Teacher: Shawn Donaldson
Contact: liznunan@hotmail.com

Tamburitzans schedule:

Date	City/State	Venue	Time	Contact
Wednesday January 4	Tarpon Springs, FL	Tarpon Springs Performing Arts Center	7:30 PM	Tickets 727-937-0686
Thursday January 5	Del Ray Beach, FL	Huntington Pointe Club House	8:00 PM	Huntington Point Association
Friday January 6	Lake Worth, FL	Palm Beach Community College/Duncan Theatre	7:30 PM	D.U. Tamburitzans 877-826-6437
Saturday January 7	Lake Worth, FL	Palm Beach Community College/Duncan Theatre	7:30 PM	D.U. Tamburitzans 877-826-6437
Saturday January 14	Panama City, FL	Marina Civic Center	7:30 PM	Joyce Harrison 850-236-1260

Sunday January 15	Melbourne, FL	EAU Gallie High School	8:00 PM	Box Office 321-242-2219
Saturday March 4	Crescent City, FL	George C. Miller Middle School	7:00 PM	Jean Labonte 396-698-2342
Sunday March 5	North Port, FL	North Port High School	3:00 PM	Mary Maples 941-426-8479
Monday March 6	Lakeland, FL	Florida Southern College - Branscomb Auditorium	7:30 PM	Box Office 863-680-4296
Tuesday March 7	Avon Park, FL	South Florida Community College	7:30 PM	Box Office 863-453-6661
Thursday March 9	Tarpon Springs, FL	Tarpon Springs Performing Arts Center	7:30 PM	Tickets 724-937-0686
Friday March 10	Sunrise, FL	Sunrise Civic Center Theater	7:30 PM	Box Office 954-747-4646

Jim Gold Tours: 2006

**BUDAPEST, PRAGUE, NORWAY,
ICELAND,
FRENCH CANADA, POLAND, GREECE
and the GREEK ISLANDS!**

With international folklore and folk dance experts:

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Yves Moreau, and Richard Schmidt.**

Our 22nd year!

Join our group of friendly travelers on a historic adventure! Let folklore come alive as we visit villages, folk festivals, ethnographic museums, historic sights, attend performances, dine in local restaurants, and learn traditional folk dances!

BUDAPEST and PRAGUE! March 24-April 3. Jim Gold and Adam Molnar.

Budapest Spring Folk Festival.

Prague ext. March 20-25.

NORWAY and ICELAND! May 15-25. Jim Gold and Lee Otterholt.

Oslo, Bergen. Hovin, (Telemark), Voss, Aal Folk Festival.

Iceland ext. May 25-29

FRENCH CANADA! July 4-13. Jim Gold. Consultant: Yves Moreau.

Montreal, Quebec City,

Drummondville World Folk Festival:

HUNGARY! July 28-Aug.7. Adam Molnar. Consultant/Sponsor: Jim Gold.

Eger, Jászberény Folk Festival, Budapest, Nyiregyhaza, Mezökövesd, Debrecen.

POLAND! August 6-19. Jim Gold and Richard Schmidt:

Krakow, Zakopane, Torun, Gdansk, Olsztyn, Warsaw.

Prague ext. August 19-23.

GREECE and GREEK ISLANDS!

October 14-27. Jim Gold and Lee Otterholt.

Athens, Olympia, Delphi, Meteora, Corinth, Mycenae, Epidaurus,

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You can live with dancing, but not as well!

**Florida Folk Dance Council, Inc. Presents:
FLORIDA FOLK DANCE CAMP - 2006
Miroslav Marcetic (Serbian) and Richard Schmidt (Polish)
February 17 - 20, 2006 at Camp Crystal Lake, Florida**

**REGISTRATION FORM
(One form per person please)**

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ ZIP _____
 Email: _____ Phone: _____
 Do you want to receive your newsletter by email? Yes _____ No _____

CAMP FEES:

Full Time

___ On campus (Three nights, nine meals) **\$190.00** _____
 ___ Off campus (Three nights, nine meals) **130.00** _____
 ___ RV's and tents allowed (yurts available) **130.00** _____

Part Time – design your own below!! (Full timers don't need to check these)

Check the boxes below the price for **MEALS** (B=Breakfast, L= Lunch, D=Dinner)

Fri D	Sat B	Sat L	Sat D	Sun B	Sun L	Sun D	Mon B	Mon L	Total
10.00	7.00	8.00	10.00	7.00	8.00	10.00	7.00	8.00	

Check the **NIGHTS** you will be sleeping at camp: (includes instructor fees and party)

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Total
40.00 (30 Off campus)	40.00 (30 Off campus)	40.00 (30 Off campus)	

Check T-SHIRT - \$10.00 (Check size , style, and color) 10.00

S	M	L	XL	Regular	Scoop Neck	V-Neck	Red	White	Total

FFDC Membership (1 per household) **15.00** _____

Camp Video (VHS Tape _____ DVD _____) **15.00** _____

Syllabus – hard copy (email copies mailed prior to camp – no charge) **5.00** _____

Contributions to Olga Princi Scholarship are appreciated (but not required) _____

If postmarked by January 15, take a **\$10.00** discount (**Full time only**) (-) _____

Student discount - \$10 per day (-) _____

TOTAL PAYMENT \$ _____

Evening parties are on a walk-in basis: \$10 (\$5 students) per night – pay at door

Special Diet Preference: Vegetarian ___ Lactose Intolerant ___ Other _____

Expect to share a cabin with other dancers. Cabin maximum is 8 people.

Cabin mate preferences: _____

(Couples stay with other couples, no private rooms available)

Please Note: Remember that dancing, like any physical activity, carries the risk of injury. The Camp environment is rural with limited lighting and rough walkways. Neither Florida Folk Dance Council, Inc., nor its members, officers, or directors have the resources to cover the costs of injuries or illness. While we don't want to discourage anyone from coming to Camp, your attendance is your representation that you have adequate insurance or other resources to cover your medical costs, lost wages, and pain and suffering without recourse to the Florida Folk Dance Council, Inc. or its officers, directors or members should you suffer any injury.

Make check payable to: FFDC

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Any questions about registration?

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