

Newsletter of the North Alabama Country Dance Society

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February 2nd:

Janet Shepherd with Smokin' Pig

We'll start this month with a great dance - **Janet Shepherd** will lead us in contras, circles and a square or two, and **Smokin' Pig**, also known as **Mick Kinney**, **Karen Falkowski** and **Edwin Wilson** (respectively, on fiddle, upright bass and guitar) will provide the tunes.

February 16th:

Becca Impello with Elsie Peterson and Ed Baggott

Celebrate Valentine's day with us as our own **Ed & Elsie** get our feet moving, while Birmingham's up-and-coming caller, **Becca Impello** makes her Huntsville debut. Bring your leftover flowers and chocolate to share!

The fine print: NACDS dances the 1st, 3rd, & 5th Saturdays of the month in the gym at Faith Presbyterian Church on Whitesburg at Airport Rd. in Huntsville. Come to the refresher workshop at 7PM, then dance until 10:30 for \$6 (\$5 for members, \$3 for teens.) Don't forget to bring comfortable shoes to dance in and please wear a name tag. Bring someone new to a dance this month!

March Happenings

Just to give everybody a month's head start, here are some up-coming events to be aware of:

Potluck Supper

At 5:45 on March 2nd there will be a potluck supper in the Fellowship Hall at Faith Presbyterian. Bring a favorite item to feed 3-4 people and share the food, fun and fellowship. Tell your friends!

Open Mike Dance

March has a fifth Saturday which is just enough excuse for us to have Blue Moon open-mike dance. If you have a hankering to call a dance, or are even mildly curious about how it's done, this is your chance to have the experience in a safe, nurturing environment! First, find some dances. There are books available and lots to be found on the internet.

Next, talk to one of our caller-encouragers:

Harry Delugach - 864-0214 or

Jane Ewing - (256) 582-1021

... for tips, hints and access to materials.

Finally, practice with a buddy & recorded music. Contact Bryan Walls, Chuck Weber or Doug Roth, if you're interested.



Circle Right

Blue Moon V

Featuring:

Caller: **Susan Kevra**

Band: **Larry Ungar,**
Lissa Schneckenburger
and Marco Brehm

Plus:

Janet Shepherd and
the **Atomic City Rhythm Rascals**
also teaching by **Jim Dugas**
and couple-dance music by **Feet First**

Our fifth dance weekend is shaping up nicely. We'll have dances Friday night, Saturday morning, afternoon & night, plus Sunday morning 'till early afternoon. There'll be a Waltz Workshop and a Slow Jam also.

Needed: Chairs and members of committees for the weekend - Decorations, Flyer, Buttons, T-shirts, Registration, Housing, Set-up, Take-Down and Hospitality.

Pictures from Jan. 19, 2002



Ladys' PowerLine

You may join us or renew your membership (check date on mailing label) at any of our dances, or by sending \$8, payable to me at the address below. You will receive this monthly newsletter & 2 free guest passes, plus you and all your kin will pay \$1 less to get into each of our regular dances.

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Ed Baggott & Elsie Peterson

Calendar

Local events in bold; contact Bryan Walls (256 837-0656; bwalls@pobox.com) for more info.

- Feb. 1 (Fri.): Nashville: Susan Kevra calling with Mark and Sally Wingate
NCD dances almost every Friday at the Woodbine Community Center, Burbank & Oriel, near I-440 & Nolensville Rd.
Instruction at 7:30, dance at 8:00. For more info, contact Chrissy (615-210-6808) or John (DanceFools@aol.com).
- Feb. 2 (Sat.): NACDS dance - Janet Shepherd with Smokin' Pig**
- Feb. 4 (Mon.): Knoxville: - Nick Boulet with The Mumbilly-Nightcrawler Festival Combo
KCD dances Mondays at the Laurel St. Theatre (at 16th Street); for info: <<http://www.kornet.org/kcd/kcdsched.htm>>.
- Feb. 8 (Fri.): Nashville: Chrissy Davis-Camp calling with "bradford st. string band"
- Feb. 9 (Sat.): Birmingham: - Susan Davis with Cattywampas
BCDS dances 2nd Saturdays at the YWCA, 2300 3rd Avenue North; 7:30 \$6. Info: <<http://www.bamalong.com/bcds.htm>>
- Feb. 9 (Sat.) Chattanooga: Seth Tepfer with Peavine Creek
CTDS dances occasional Saturdays at All Saints Academy, 310 E. 8th St., downtown; 8-11 P.M.; \$5.
For info contact: Steve at 706-937-4991 or Claire & Bryant at 423-876-7359
- Feb. 11 (Mon.) Knoxville: - Vicki & Nicki with Danny Gammon & The Love Muffins
- Feb. 15 (Fri.): Nashville: No Nashville dance (Knoxville Weekend)
- Feb. 15-17 Knoxville: 28th annual Weekend - see their web page: <<http://www.kornet.org/kcd/kcd2002-flyer.html>>
- Feb. 16 (Sat.): NACDS dance - Becca Impello with Ed Baggott & Elsie Peterson**
- Feb. 18 (Mon.): Knoxville: - Darlene Underwood with Brittany Bay (both from Cincinnati)
- Feb. 22 (Fri.) Nashville: John Sharlet calling with Nashville Old Time String Band Association
- Feb. 23 (Sat.): Chattanooga: Jane Ewing with Brian Baker Band
- Feb. 23 (Sat.): Birmingham - Unplugged - Open Mike calling plus you can sit-it & play
BCDS Unplugged dances are held at the Unitarian Church on Cahaba Rd. near the Zoo in MountainBrook. \$2
- Feb. 24 (Sun.): Huntsville Public Library - presentation by Joyce Cauthen - see below**
- Feb. 25 (Mon.): Knoxville - TBA with TBA
- Mar. 1 (Fri.): Nashville: Ed & Mellissa Wilkinson calling with Mark and Sally Wingate
- Mar. 2 (Sat.): NACDS dance - Seth Tepfer with Feet First - Potluck supper too!**

To get your dances on the schedule, e-mail us with the particulars by the 20th of the month. - Doug & Bryan

Alabama Folklife Presentation

Joyce Cauthen, Alabama historian, author, guitarist of the Red Mountain White Trash and newsletter editor for the Birmingham Country Dance Society will be giving a talk at the Huntsville Public Library on Sunday, Feb. 24th at 2:00 p.m. It's called "History Through the Eyes of a Backwoodsman: The Writings of Fiddling Tom Freeman." Freeman was a fiddler, moonshiner, political figure from Bug Tussle, AL and the talk is about an unpublished manuscript he left behind when he died in 1952. Country dancers are invited!