

Santa Barbara Country Dance Society

Harvest Moon Croon

Want to help out at this years Harvest Moon? Were going to kick it off with a party at Cara Moore's house, Saturday, June 6. Come talk about what's needed and then play music, hang out, and perhaps even dance a bit. As you know, if you can fill one of the positions volunteering at the festival, you are guaranteed to be admitted to the festival.

Volunteers do a wide variety of things. The most important is: they get to know each other and enjoy the benefits of supporting something they like.

There are a number of ways to fit in. People are needed to help with arranging housing, planning decorations, organizing the potlucks, putting the name buttons together, putting up the shade structure, and a variety of other things.

If you would like to help, either as a Harvest Moon Volunteer, or just kicking the planning session off with a great party, come to Cara Moore's house Saturday, June 6. Cara's house is located at 381 North La Cumbre Road. Or for information call Cara, 687-7836.

Fall & Winter Camps & Camps

Want to make up for missing summer dance camps? Or do you just want to keep up the flow of magic? Well, fall and winter are no time to let back, as a number of weekends abound.

Alta Sierra

These camps start with the traditional signal of the end of summer vacationing: Labor Day Weekend. Again, you can travel to high altitudes and join dancers at Alta Sierra. This camp has the advantage of being a long weekend, so instead of ending early Sunday evening, it goes all the way into Monday. Watch for details.

Harvest Moon

Harvest Moon happens early this year, September 18 - 20. This year's all star cast features Dayton, Ohio's Kathy Anderson. Kathy is known for her high energy contras and squares. Joining Kathy is Massachusetts' Panel of Experts. Panel of Experts matches Kathy's enthusiasm and variety with music that is driving, beautiful, and exciting. Panel of Experts is comprised of Mary Lea on fiddle, Sam Bartlet on guitar and mandolin, and Peter Barnes on piano and whistle.

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Coming Events

KCBX's Live Oak Music Festival

June 19 -21, Fathers day weekend, just over the hill near Paradise, at camp San Marcos, is the chance to enjoy a musical palette of great acoustic and electric music. From the raging string band music of North Carolina's Hellbenders to the jazzy sounds of Tuck & Patti, to Latin strains of Quetzalcoatl, to the Irish madness of The Kips Bay Ceili Band, there will be something for everyone.

After-hours on Friday will be an old-time Barn Dance featuring our own Erik Hoffman along with the Hellbenders. Other local favorites featured at the festival will be The Acousticats, David West, and The Gap Tooth Mountain Ramblers.

Camping is available as are single day passes. Prices are, \$65, full-festival; \$55: two-day pass, \$30: Saturday or Sunday without camping; or \$20: Friday night only. Families are welcome, and children 12 and under are free if accompanied by an adult. For more information or reservations call (805) 781-3030.

Solstice Festival

The California Traditional Music society's 12th annual Summer Solstice Festival will be held on the weekend of June 26 - 28, in the hills of Agoura at the beautiful Soka University.

Friday Evening starts with both a contra dance and jam session. The contra features wonder-man, PA's John Krumm as well as local boy, Erik Hoffman.

Saturday and Sunday there will be a myriad of non-stop music and dance events. Three dance floors, demonstration and concert sites, and numerous workshop areas go full tilt all weekend long. There's something for everyone!

Tickets are: In advance: \$4: Fri. dance; \$15 per day, Sat. & Sun. or \$6: Fri. dance, and \$18: Sat. or Sun. at the gate. Children 12 and under are free if accompanied by an adult with a ticket. Call (818) 342-7664 for info.

The String Beings on Tour

The String Beings, a dynamic band from North Carolina, featuring none other than our friend Mark Mueller are going on a bi-coastal tour with Erik Hoffman

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Echo Summit

If you miss Harvest Moon, or just want more, you can join Kathy, Mary, and Sam, along with Daniel Steinberg, Erik Hoffman, David Newitt, and Kathrine Gardner, up at the Echo Summit Dance camp, September 25 - 27. Among high granite peaks, Echo Summit is on Highway 50 between Sacramento and Lake Tahoe.

BACDS' Fall Dance Weekend

October always brings in the Bay Area Country Dance Society's Fall Weekend. This year it's October 16 - 18. This camp features both American and English dancing. Seattle's Mike Richardson is to lead the American dance while Marianne Taylor will be the English dance ogress. It's held in La Honda, a little town in the mountains behind Palo Alto. For information call the BACDS hotline: (415) 282-7374.

New Years: Malibu & Camp Harmony

Who could think of a better way to ring in the New Year than dancing and singing? The Malibu New Year's Camp and Camp Harmony both celebrate New Years in this glorious way.

Both of these camps are loaded with music and dance, so dust off your fiddle, practice your singing, and come prepared to sing, jam, and dance in the New Year.

Malibu is sponsored by the California Traditional Music Society, and happens each year on four days around the New Year. For information call (818) 342-7664. In the hill behind Santa Cruz, Harmony happens at about the same time, and is sponsored by the San Francisco Folk Music Club (you must join the club before September to attend). Call (415) 661-2217 for information.

Both these camps are music and dance camps. Musicians, folkies, and dancers gather to play tunes, teach, sing songs, tell jokes, and dance. If you've considered picking up an instrument it's a great place to start. And it the greatest way to witness that time honored split-second where we humans bump up the number on the concept of year.

Hope to see you playing and dancing!

Divine Lace

Two hundred heels stamping in unison. Real cat gut strings play frisky chestnut tunes...hand on hand on hand. The bodies weave a giant doily---always changing, always symmetrical, always balanced. Balance and swing. The caller's voice creates each delicate new band of lace---each body essential to the pattern, each one needed for the ritual. As I travel through the strands, I hold each dancer in my arms and as custom requires, I look directly into the waiting eyes. For a moment I lose the floor, the music stops-----and I take communion with a perfect stranger.

Cara Moore

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and will grace the greater Santa Barbara area with a number of events.

Saturday, July 11 they lead a dance at the San Luis Obispo's Grange Hall from 8 - 11. Then Monday and Wednesday, July 13 & 15, they will be in concert at San Luis Obispo's Linnea's Cafe and Los Olivo's Side Street Cafe, respectively.

Following that they shoot down to the LA area for both the Thursday, Van Nuys Dance, and Friday, South Pasadena Dance before coming to the Carrillo Ballroom on Sunday July 19 for the Santa Barbara's Third Sunday dance. Come for a dance or a listen.

Lucille Reilly, The Dulcimer Lady

The First Sunday dance, August 2, will be graced by Hammer Dulcimer whiz Lucille Reilly. Joined by Carl Magagnosc on piano, the music for this special evening promises to be rousing and other worldly. Drew Tronvig will call the dance.

Why Dance?? (Number Two)

Last dance star I asked the question, why dance? Since then I have been carrying on a limited survey. Eventually I intend to write a bit on the subject, but for now, a teaser. So, Why do we dance?

Social interaction is perhaps the most common. For some, contradancing is their only regular contact with others. The other most common reason so far is in the realm of spiritual.

This is what I have been thinking about. I find myself pondering the meaning behind the figures we do. So many of them are old. Old! They come out of antiquity to us, and we still find them engaging.

So many had a purpose: to weave the web of life. To promote growth, to reap the harvest, to meet new people and reach beyond class boundaries.

Is there somewhere in this tangle of history that calls to some primal spot in our brain? Something that fills a ritual void? Something that speaks to our unconscious mind? Or is it just what it appears, people hanging out and having a good time? Let me know what you think.

Erik Hoffman

Old-Time Contra Dance Calendar

The Santa Barbara Country Dance Society, PO Box 21904, Santa Barbara, CA 93121, (805) 969-1511

Come dance on the finest dance floor in the West at the Carrillo Ballroom, or under the stars at Oak Park. Join the fun! Dance to the irresistible rhythms of a live old-time string band. We'll do the flowing contras of New England, the colorful square dances of the Old West, plus a few old-time couple dances such as waltzes and polkas.

Introductory Workshop

There is an introductory workshop before each regular weekend dance! Come a half-hour early to learn the basic moves. No prior experience is necessary as all dances are taught and prompted. Wear comfortable clothes. Generally dances become more challenging as the evening progresses.

Location Key

- CB: Carrillo Ballroom, 100 East Carrillo Street, SB.
Co-sponsored by the Santa Barbara Parks & Recreation.
- CP: At press, the location is either: Carpinteria Community Church, 1111 Vallecito, or the Carpinteria Main School, 8th and Palm, both in Carpinteria. Call 969-1511 for exact location
- OP: Oak Park Dance Platform, on Junipero at Calle Real, Santa Barbara.

Phone

For the latest dance information call the SBCDS 24 hour dance hotline: (805) 969-1511

- Sun June 7** CB Erik Hoffman and Kitchen Junket again join forces for a fun filled First Sunday Contra. 7 - 10, Intro: 6:30. \$5.
- Fri June 12** OP Dance under the stars with Kathy Fanning and the Growling Old Geezers at the Second Friday Contra. 7 - 10, Intro: 6:30. \$5.
- Sun June 21** CB The Third Sunday Contra finds Carl Magagnosc joining forces with the Carik String Band. 7 - 10, Intro: 6:30. \$5.
- Sat June 27** CP Great things happen when Drew Tronvig joins forces with Swing Easy at the Fourth Saturday Contra Dance. 7:30 - 10:30, Intro: 7. \$5.
- Sun July 5** CB Enjoy the calling of Kathy Fanning while Turtle Creek keeps you hopping at the First Sunday Contra. 7 - 10, Intro: 6:30. \$5.
- Fri July 10** OP Carl Magagnosc and Swing Easy keep you stepping high under the stars at the Second Friday Contra. 7 - 10, Intro: 6:30. \$5.
- Sun July 19** CB Local favorite, fiddler Mark Mueller returns with his dynamic North Carolina Band, the String Beings. Erik Hoffman is teaming up with the String Beings for a bi-coastal tour! Join them at this hometown stop! 7 - 10, Intro: 6:30. \$5.
- Sat July 25** CP Carl Magagnosc hooks up with the Growling Old Geezers for the Fourth Saturday Contra. 7:30 - 10:30, Intro: 7. \$5.
- Sun Aug 2** CB Hammer Dulcimer player, Lucille Reilly is joined by Carl Magagnosc, piano, to form a footstomping duet. Drew Tronvig will call the dances at this special First Sunday Contra. 7 - 10, Intro: 6:30. \$6.
- Fri Aug 14** OP Hillbilly Ray Bierl brings along some musical friends to back up the calling of Cara Moore and Kathy Fanning at the Second Friday Contra. Don't miss it! 7 - 10. Intro: 6:30. \$5.
- Sun Aug 16** CB Join Drew Tronvig and the New Young Buzzards for a rollicking good time at the Third Sunday Contra. 7 - 10, Intro: 6:30. \$5.
- Sat Aug 22** CP Susan Michaels and the Turtle Creek String Band will lead the fun at this Fourth Saturday Contra. 7:30 - 10:30, Intro: 7. \$5.

Other Events in Our Vicinity:

- KCBX's Live Oak Folk Festival:** June 19 - 21. Music, dance (late Friday night!), camping, and FUN! Just over the hill near Paradise. Info: (805) 781-3030.
- Summer Solstice Festival:** June 26 - 28. A weekend of dance, music, and more. Featured callers, John Krumm & Erik Hoffman. At Soka University, in the hills near Agoura. Info: (818) 342-7664.
- Ojai:** Taking a summer off: watch for dances in the fall and winter!
- SLO:** Second Saturdays: Sat, June 13; Sat., July 11; Sat., August 8. SLO Grange Hall, 2880 So. Broad St., SLO. 8 - 11, Intro: 7:30. \$5. Info: (805) 544-7924.
- Pismo:** Fourth Fridays, Fri, June 26; Fri, July 24; Fri, Aug 28. Pismo Beach Vets Hall, 780 Bellow Ave., Pismo Beach. 8 - 11, Intro: 7:30. \$5. Info: (805) 541-2852.
- Irish Sessions:** 2nd & 4th Sundays, Irish music jams, songs & dance. Upstairs at Rusty's Pizza on Carrillo & Bath. Free!
- Los Angeles Area:** Contra dances every weekend and every Thursday. Call their Dance Hotline: (818) 951-2003.

Join the **Santa Barbara Country Dance Society**. Members of the **Santa Barbara Country Dance Society** receive a \$1 discount at all regular dances (generally those in the main listing). Membership is \$18 per calendar year, from January 1, to December 31. The cost is pro-rated for each calendar quarter, so, from April 1 - December 31, the cost is only \$10.50. From July, \$9. And during the last quarter starting in October it's \$4.50. To join simply send a check to:

SBCDS
PO Box 21904
Santa Barbara, CA 93121

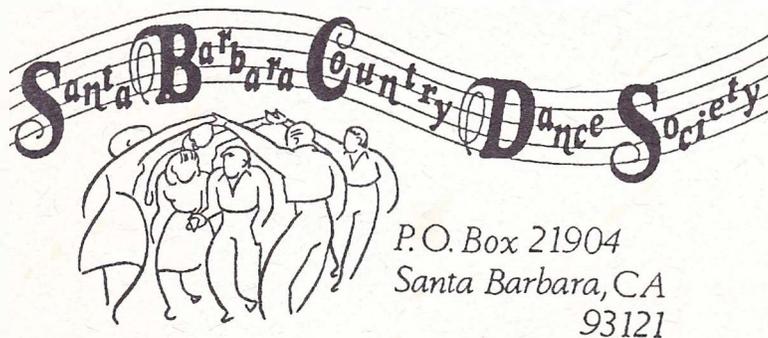
LOOKING FOR A WAY TO JOIN IN MAKING OUR DANCES HAPPEN?

SBCDS is looking for:

- Someone to greet people and help with signing in at the door at some dances.
- Someone to take and type coordinating committee minutes (this can be done with your own equipment or take advantage of training in how to use a computer's word processor.)
- Someone with a garage to store dance decorations (including the famous Harvest Moon Parachute!).

If you are one of these people, call Bob Hamber at 964-1445, or leave a message on the dance hotline, 969-1511.

Lost something??? Our lost & found is kept at the Carrillo Ballroom, ask at the front desk at one of our dances.

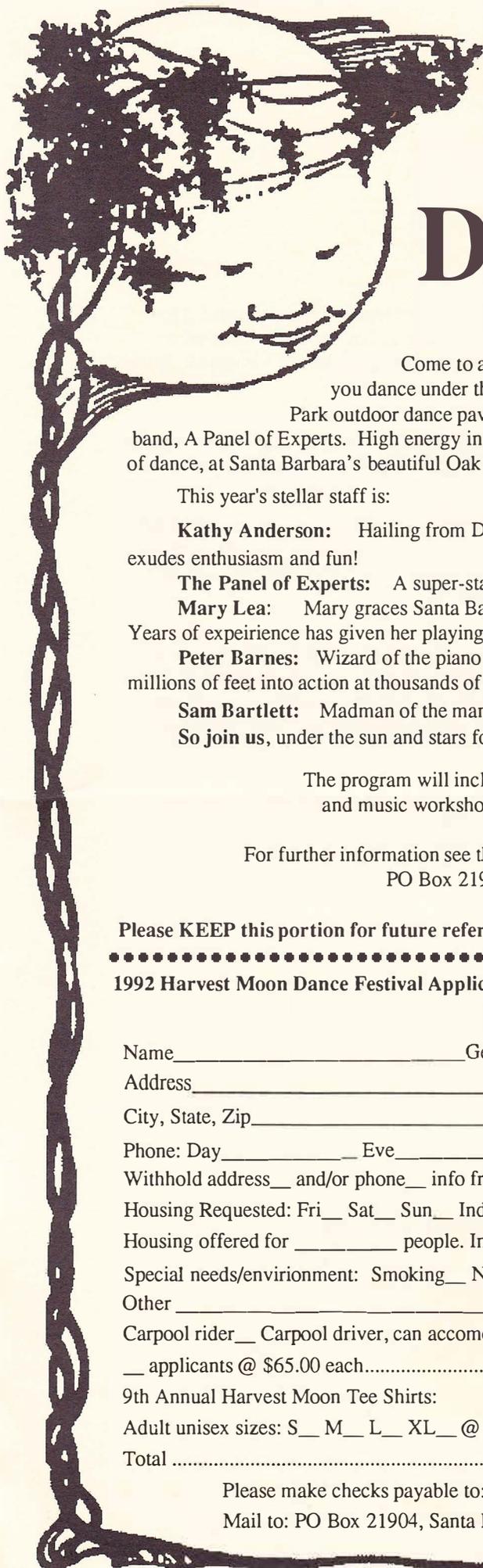


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Ninth Annual Santa Barbara Harvest Moon Dance Festival

September 18 - 20, 1992

Come to a weekend of old-time music, dance, and fun. Let the music and the mood move you as you dance under the harvest moon, sparkling stars, and billowing parachute canopy at the beautiful Oak Park outdoor dance pavilion. This year Kathy Anderson, caller extraordinaire, is joined by the contra super-band, A Panel of Experts. High energy in flowing traditional styles are the promise of this years harvest! Come join in a weekend of dance, at Santa Barbara's beautiful Oak Park under the Harvest Moon Pavilion.

This year's stellar staff is:

Kathy Anderson: Hailing from Dayton, Ohio, Kathy is known for her high energy square and smooth contras, Kathy exudes enthusiasm and fun!

The Panel of Experts: A super-star band from Masseurhusetts comprised of:

Mary Lea: Mary graces Santa Barbara again bringing her lyrical and driving fiddling to the Harvest Moon Festival. Years of expeirience has given her playing auch beauty as well as that propulsive quality that drives the dance.

Peter Barnes: Wizard of the piano and whislte, and numerous other things, Peter's playing pleases the ear and has put millions of feet into action at thousands of dances. He can be heard on many recordings as well!

Sam Bartlett: Madman of the mandolin and guitar, Sam's joyful enthusiasm infects the floor with playful spirit. So join us, under the sun and stars for an exhilarating weekend of dance and fun!

The program will include Friday and Saturday evening dances, daytime dance, singing, and music workshops, an afterhours jam, a concert, and a Sunday afternoon dance.

For further information see the reverse side or contact **The Santa Barbara Country Dance Society**, PO Box 21904, Santa Barbara, CA, 93121. Phone (805) 969-1511.

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1992 Harvest Moon Dance Festival Application • Please CLIP and return both sides

Fill out this column if applying as a couple

Name _____ Gender: M F Name _____ M F

Address _____ Address _____

City, State, Zip _____ City, State, Zip _____

Phone: Day _____ Eve _____ Phone: Day _____ Eve _____

Withhold address and/or phone info from published list of participants

Housing Requested: Fri__ Sat__ Sun__ Indicate special needs below

Housing offered for _____ people. Indicate environment below

Special needs/envirionment: Smoking__ Non-smoking__ Vegetarian__ Children__ Cats__ Dogs__

Other _____

Carpool rider__ Carpool driver, can accomodate ___ riders.

___ applicants @ \$65.00 each..... = \$ _____

9th Annual Harvest Moon Tee Shirts:

Adult unisex sizes: S__ M__ L__ XL__ @ \$10.65 each = \$ _____

Total\$ _____

Please make checks payable to: **SBCDS**

Mail to: PO Box 21904, Santa Barbara, CA 93121



Recommended Attire:

Cool clothes for daytime workshops, jackets for evening break times. Sunscreen and hats are recommended. The floor is coated with polyurethane so low-friction shoes are strongly suggested, such as flat Capezios, Chinese, or hard leather-soled shoes. We also recommend a change of shoes. Floor treatment suggestions are welcomed. Bring something to sit on for the concert.

Accommodations:

Every attempt will be made to house participants from out of town with local dancers. Campgrounds are available in Carpinteria and Paradise; hotels and B&B's are plentiful. Also, two public hot tub emporia are at hand for the weary.

Meals:

Saturday lunch and Sunday Brunch will be potluck. These will be coordinated via postcard. If you have special dish you want to prepare, please let us know with your application. Evening meals as well as Saturday breakfast are on your own. Dance refreshments will be available. **Please bring your own drinking and eating utensils.** You may purchase a contradance waterbottle, **there will be no disposable cups available.**

Registration Information:

Pre-registration is required. Applications will be accepted in order of receipt. Acceptances will be mailed by mid August. **Space is limited** and consideration will be given to gender balance. If you apply as a couple you will not be admitted separately. **Registration fee is \$65.** A \$5 administrative fee will be charged. Refunds due to cancellations of admitted applicants. After September 7, refunds for cancellations will be contingent upon our filling the vacancies. Registration is non-transferable. If you send someone in your place they will not be admitted and you will forfeit your registration fee. To register, send fee and application to:

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To help us prioritize, please check three specialty workshops you would like to attend:

- Gender Free Contras
- Squares of the Old West
- Elegant Squares
- Equal Opportunity Contras
- Ultra Challenging Dances
- Odd Formation Dances
- Rowdy Squares
- Contemporary Midwest Contras
- Present or Future Suggestion: _____