

DANCE STAR

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Earlier Dance Time Stays

The SBCDS Board has decided to stay with the earlier dance time that was begun in March for a three-month trial period. The dance will continue to start at 6:30 and run until 9:30. The introductory workshop will start at approximately 6:00.

Another Board decision was to trim the *Dance Star* from four to two pages. This has been done as an economy measure, resulting from declining attendance. The *Dance Star* will continue to be mailed free of charge to all who come to at least one dance within a six-month period. Quantities are also distributed to other contra dance organizations.

Want to help SBCDS keep costs down even more? You can unsubscribe to the printed version of the *Dance Star* and view it online. We'll send you an email notification each time the next issue is available. To learn how to do this, see the article headed *Dance Star by Email?* on Page 2 of the last edition, or visit www.sbcdds.org.

Shapiro to Lead Ball

The Southern California Playford Ball has chosen local English Country Dance leader Gary Shapiro to be the Dance Master for the annual event. The Kriss Larson Band has been recruited for the music. You can also hear the band play for our contra dance on July 3.

The theme for this year's Ball is "Faces and Places," and takes place in Long Beach on October 1. To learn the dances on the Ball program, attend the English Country Dances in Santa Barbara just about every Tuesday, in Ojai on second and fourth Mondays, and/or in Torrance on first and third Thursdays.



Star Attractions

"Notorious" - June 12 Notorious musicians Eden MacAdam-Somer and Larry Unger bring together traditional and contemporary acoustic music from around the world, creating a dynamic, swinging sound that is sure to get you on your feet. With Eden on fiddle and vocals and Larry on guitar and banjo, their music is full of rhythmic drive and melodic candor. Their show is always new and exciting, presenting everything from traditional American and Celtic fiddle tunes to jazz, blues, and the

group's original compositions.

For more information on this dynamic duo, please visit their webpage at www.larryunger.net/bands/notorious.html. Warren Blier will be calling and admission is \$10.

There is also going to be a house concert you won't want to miss. For more information, contact Bettine Wallin at Bettine@sbcds.org.

Zesty Dance, Introducing "Loose Ends" - July 31 Loose Ends is a four-member northern Arizona contra band, consisting of Kimbal Babcock on bass, Mike Bartell on guitar, Carl Brehmer on fiddle, and Toni George on flute. They specialize in traditional music, mixing it with classical, rock & roll, country, Celtic and jazz, adding lots of pizzazz to their hot traditional style.

Lynn Ackerson is calling and admission is \$8.



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DANCE SCHEDULE – Summer 2005

English Country Dances

Westside Community Center
423 W. Victoria, Santa Barbara
(Where Victoria dead-ends at Hwy 101)
805-682-5523 www.sbcdds.org/ecd
7:15 to 9:30

Admission \$3.00; whole evenings of live music TBA, \$5.00

Dances held on Tuesdays, except:

June 7 dance CANCELED, June 8 dance ADDED

July 11 dance CANCELED, July 12 dance ADDED

August 9 dance CANCELED, August 10 dance ADDED

Music: a combination of recordings and live music by dancer-musicians. Whole evenings of live music TBA.

Dances led by Gary Shapiro and/or Alice Williams

San Luis Obispo

Odd Fellows Hall
520 Dana St, San Luis Obispo
(Hwy 101 Marsh St. exit, left on Nipomo, left on Dana)
805-541-0201 www.cccds.org

Second Saturday of every month
7:30 to 10:30 (7:00 workshop) Admission: \$7.00

June 11 Warren Blier/Michael Gutin Band

July 9 TBA/Foggy Bay String Band

Aug 13 Susan Petrick/TBA

Contra Carnivale coming in January!

Ojai Art Center

113 S. Montgomery, Ojai
(South of East Ojai Avenue)
805-933-0660 www.ojaiartcenter.org/dance.htm

Contra Dances

7:30 to 10:30 (7:00 Workshop) Admission: \$8.00

June 18 Karen Fontana/Key Ingredients

English Country Dancing

www.geocities.com/circlesandrows/ojaiecd/

Second and fourth Mondays

7:00 to 9:00 Admission: \$5.00

June 13 Gary Shapiro

June 27 Gary Shapiro

July 11 TBA

July 25 Gary Shapiro

August 8 Gary Shapiro

August 22 Annie Laskey

Carrillo Ballroom

100 E. Carrillo St., Santa Barbara
(Hwy 101, Carrillo St. exit, go north to Anacapa St.)
805-969-1511 www.sbcdds.org

Contra Dances Every Sunday

6:30 to 9:30 (6:00 Workshop)

Admission: \$7.00, unless otherwise noted

June 5 Jeremy Korr/The Chameleons

June 12 Warren Blier/Notorious (\$10)

June 19 Donna Karpeles/Southern Exposure

June 26 **NO DANCE**

July 3 Gary Shapiro/Kriss Larson Band

July 10 Keith Connes/Porch Dogs

July 17 Jonathan Southard/Michael's Mixed Nuts

July 24 **NO DANCE**

July 31 *Zesty Dance!*

Lynn Ackerson/Loose Ends (\$8)

Aug 7 Jeff Spero/Porch Dogs

Aug 14 Donna Karpeles/Porch Dogs

Aug 21 **NO DANCE**

Aug 28 Gary Shapiro/Ruby's Dream

Santa Barbara Contra Dances
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