#### TEA DANCE CELEBRATE TWENTY YEARS!

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"You can say it all began with Richard Powers," says Marilyn Chartrand, one of the original collaborators on these dances. Jim's love affair with ragtime dance began in 1980, when he attended American Dance Week in Mendocino, California. Social dance historian and teacher, Richard Powers taught. "It was absolutely mindblowingly fantastic!" says Jim.

On Jim's first day in Colorado, in 1988, Marilyn invited him to teach ragtime dances with her at a Narodno Ensemble rehearsal, in anticipation of the group adding a ragtime suite to their repertoire. In 1989, the group performed at the Columbine Ball and Tango Trots Jim started at Denver's Temple Events Center.

The tea dances were an outgrowth of Jim's interest in ragtime era dances — over the years he has taught one-step, foxtrot, tango, waltz, and maxixe, among others. He has also hosted "Turkey Trots," on Thanksgiving Thursday. Susan Marie Frontczak recalls planning a surprise dance for Jim on a Sunday afternoon with Rodney Sauer: "Rodney said 'This works. This is a time people can come." So they decided to try it once a month. The initial collaboration involved not only Jim and Marilyn, but additionally Rodney Sauer for music, and edibles by Lavinia Ycas, and was organized under the umbrella of CFOOTMAD.

In the first year, 1990, a small group attended the dances at Denver's Washington Park Community Center. They later moved to Temple Events Ballroom, and then to Boulder's Avalon in 2006.

Scores of enthusiasts have donated time and talents. Diane Leonard, who served as volunteer coordinator, says "It takes a lot of people and a lot of volunteers – door, kitchen, set-up, take-down. At one time I had about 50

people I called." Over the years, Lavinia and Marilyn baked hundreds of dozens of cookies. Several people joked that the dancing was nice, but they came for the chocolate mint squares. More recently, a long line of gifted cooks have contributed tasty delicacies.

Six musical groups have played for the dances, but Mont Alto and Susan Rogers have been the anchors through the years. Rodney notes the repertoire has grown hugely, to more than 600 tunes, with notable favorites such as "Padam Padam." "Now we've bled into the 1930s, 40s and 50s. The big reason is because of Susan Rogers ... She's such a good singer of serious songs – ballads, swing, blues," notes Rodney. "It's one of my most favorite things, to come and

sing and dance. It's the highlight of my month!" says Susan. She sings tangos in several languages (coming soon, a Polish rendition!), and she loves the "silly foxtrots" in the Helen Kane, Betty Boop style of the 1920s, songs such as "Don't Be Like That" and "I Wanna Be Loved by You." Susan's Exuberant Quartet plays several times a season to rave reviews. Her repertoire includes new songs in old styles.

Not only have scores of dancers enjoyed themselves at these Sunday afternoon events, but couples have met there and married. Marilyn has become a specialist in baking tea goodies.

Rodney's career in silent film music grew from research into tea dance tunes. Watch Your Step! Vintage Dance Vignettes organized a group of individuals who love these historic dances and perform them. And so, the 20-year tea dance tradition has added a unique and enjoyable texture to the fabric of the greater Denver/Boulder area dance community. May they long continue. Thank you, Jim!

- Submitted by Susan Reisser and Jim X. Borzym



Organizers past & present: Susan Rogers, Susan Marie Frontczak, Carole Osborne, Rodney Sauer, Dorothy Vernon, Jim X. Borzym, Susan Reisser, Kurt Reisser, Marilyn Chartrand, Diana Leonard, Judd Johnson, Lavinia Ycas (not present).



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Pikes Peak Scottish Country Dancers

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• Hoofin' High Country Cloggers

Pikes Peak Traditional Dance

• Planina: Songs of Eastern Europe

- American Vernacular Dance (AVD)
- Argentine Tango
- Arkansas Valley Music & Dance
- Blue Moon Dance Company
- Boulder Hungarian Workshop
- Boulder International Folk Dancers (BIFD)
- Boulder Israeli Dancers
- Boulder Scandinavian Dancers (BSD)
- Calico & Boots Square Dancers
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- Colorado Friends of Cajun/Zydeco Music & Dance (CFCZ)
- Colorado Friends of Old Time Music & Dance (CFOOTMAD)
- Colorado Morris Dancers

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#### **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:**

For inclusion in the Nov./Dec. STOMP! issue, submissions are due by October 7th. The VAC board policy limits newsletter mailings to VAC members & member groups.

- The Ballroom at the Avalon (6185 Arapahoe Ave; Boulder):
- Hermine Higgins, 303.440.8303, avalon@villageartscoalition.org, or scheduling@boulderdancespace.com
- The Pearl Street Studio (2126 Pearl St; Boulder): 303.443.7538, sodaling@norsk.us

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

- VAC Festival: Hermine Higgins, 303.440.8303, avalon@villageartscoalition.org.
- JoinVAC: Stan Wilkes, sgwilkes@csd.net, 303.233.3474.
- VAC's central phone and fax: 303.440.8303 (Avalon).
- Visit www.boulderdancespace.com for facility availability information.

#### • Postoley Dance Ensemble Colorado Sacred Harp

- Columbiners Square Dance Club Ruby Dancers
- CSU Scottish Arts Club Scandinavian Dance Class
  - Scootbacks Square Dance Club
- Scottish Country Dancers of Colorado • Friends of Traditional Dance (FoTD)
  - Snowhawk Productions
  - Storm Mountain Folk Dancers
  - Storvsmith
  - Swingin' Seven
  - Tango Colorado
  - Tom Masterson/Danceophile Studio
  - Waltz Classes/Barbara Roach
  - Westminster Old Time Community Dance
  - Winter Solabration Society
  - Watch Your Step

#### **VILLAGE ARTS BOARD:**

#### BOARD NEWS - JULY 7 & AUG. 4, 2011

The board hired a new graphic designer for STOMP. Work has begun on the Avalon roof. The board continues to examine restructuring of by-laws.

#### **VAC BOARD MEMBERS:**

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#### PERFORMING GROUPS **LOCATIONS**

- Boulder Scandinavian Dancers: Erica Rice 303.442.7689
- Calico & Boots, American Folk Dancers: Jim Barnett 303.651.0797
- Halau Hula O Na Mauna Komohana: "Pumehana" Paisner 303.447.9772 www.oconnor.gs/halau.html
- Hoofin' High Country Cloggers: Ken Horwege 303.364.2278
- Hora Romaneasca Dances of Romania: Mihail Codrescu 303.494.5640
- Maroon Bells Morris Dancers: Robin Smith 303.651.0909 www.maroonbellsmorris.org
- One World Folk Dancers: Sheila Sharpe 303.377.4111
- Planina: Songs of Eastern Europe: Julie Lancaster 303.733.1120
- Postoley Dance Ensemble: Dances from Eastern Europe: Tom Masterson 303.499.6363 www.postoley.org
- Scottish Country Dancers of Colorado: Bob Burnham. 303.431.6870 meineadair@earthlink.net
- Sherefe: Music of the Middle East & Eastern Europe: James Hoskins 303.939.8702
- Silk Road Middle Eastern Dance Theater: Natasha Caraill 303.772.4267, silkraod59@aol.com
- Storm Mountain Folk Dancers: Wendi Kiss 720.514.0544
- StorySmith: Susan Marie Frontczak 303.442.4052
- Trolls: Scandinavian musicians, Erica Rice 303.442.7689
- Village Dancers: multi-ethnic folk dancers: Anne Vickery 303.499.3001
- Swingin'Seven: Big Band Swing and Traditional Jazz. Dave McLoughlin 303.413.0037(day) 3.443.9673(eve)
- Watch Your Step! Vintage Dance Vignettes. Susan Reisser 720-ONE STEP (720.663.7837)

#### BOULDER

- AV BALLROOM AT THE AVALON, 6185 Arapahoe Ave., Unit B
- CDC COMMUNITY DANCE COLLECTIVE. 2020B 21st St.21st & Pearl, behind futon store)
- DS DANCEOPHILE STUDIO, 250 31st Street,
- EBCC EAST BOULDER COMM. CENTER. 5660 Sioux Drive
- KaKS KAKES STUDIOS, 2115 Pearl St., (21st & Pearl, behind the Kwal Paint and Futon store)
- KCH Knights of Columbus Hall: 1741 Walnut St.
- PSt PEARL STREET STUDIO, 2126 Pearl St., Boulder (E. of 21st St. S. side of street)
- PEH PRE EMINENCE HALL, 323 Walnut St.
- GC GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
- NCC NEDERLAND COMMUNITY CENTER

- BCC BERKELEY COMMUNITY CHURCH. 3701 W. 50th Ave. (near Regis)
- DT DENVER TURNVEREIN, 1570 Clarkson St., (8 blocks E & 1 block N of Capitol Building)
- HEA HEBREW EDUCATIONAL ALLIANCE. 3600 S. Ivanhoe St., (SW of Hampden & I-25)
- HIC HERITAGE IRISH CENTER, 1946 S. Ouebec
- HMC HIGHLANDS MASONIC CENTER, 3550 N. Gederal Blvd
- MC MERCURY CAFÉ, 22nd & California
- SCC SCHEITLER COMMUNITY CENTER. Berklev Park
- SRC SCHEITLER RECREATION CENTER, 5031 W 46th Ave

- SHM SWALLOW HILL MUSIC ASSN 71 E. Yale (Between Broadway & Lincoln)
- WMC WARREN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH. 1630 E. 14th Avenue
- WPMC WASHINGTON PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 1955 E. Arizona Ave., (corner of South Race & East Arizona)

#### FORT COLLINS

- TICO CLUB TICO IN CITY PARK, 1599 City Park Dr; (North Shore of City Park Lake)
- EG EMPIRE GRANGE, 2306 W. Mulberry
- FCSC FORT COLLINS SENIOR CENTER, 1200 Raintree Drive

#### OTHER LOCATIONS

- CCC CLEMENTS COMMUNITY CENTER 1580 Yarrow, Lakewood (1 block North and West of Colfax & 16th)
- HCC HILLSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER 925 S. Institute, Colorado Springs
- MGG MAPLE GROVE GRANGE 3130 Youngfield, Golden • OFH - ODD FELLOWS HALL
- North of 4th & Main, Lyons • SRS - SILK ROAD STUDIO
- WGH WESTMINSTER GRANGE HALL 3935 W. 73rd Ave., Westminster
- IDC INTERNATIONAL DANCE CLUB 2422 Busch Ave., CO Springs

59th St. Near Hygiene Rd, Longmont

 CSSC COLO. SPRINGS SENIOR CENTER 1514 N Hancock, CO Springs

#### **ONGOING CLASSES & EVENTS**

#### swing lesson;

6:30 pm: Beginning Jitterbug! 8-11pm: Swing dance with Live Local Swing Bands! \$9 for the whole night!

#### Fort Collins Swing Nite

2nd and 4th Fridays from 7-9 pm at City Park Center, Ft. Collins, Call Darrick Hildman 970.498.0798 for more info.

#### **Boulder Swing Dance**

Swing Dance lessons, Mondays at 7 pm with a new series starting every month. Taught by Shana Worel, John Dyer, Heather Ballew and Dano McKagen at the Kakes Studios, Boulder. Check the website for time changes or cancellations. www. boulderswingdance.com. 303.941.3833.

#### **Pearl Street Swing & Blues Boulder Swing Dance**

1st, 3rd & sometimes 5th Saturday of the month. Intro to Lindy Hop class from 7-8:30 pm. Dancing from 8:30-1 am, with blues after midnight. Admission is \$5, \$10 for the lesson (includes dance admission). Pearl Street Studio, Boulder. Info: www.boulderswingdance.com.

#### Danceophile Studio Swing

Classes taught by Tom Masterson at Danceophile Studio, 250 31st St. Boulder.

- Swing Intro: Sundays, October 2, 9, 16, 23. 8:15-9:30 pm. Featuring the 4-count jitterbug swing. Emphasis on leading, following, communicating with a partner. No experience needed. \$50/person, \$95/ couple for 4-week class.
- Swing Level II: Four Sundays, Oct. 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20; 8:15-9:30 pm. Explore intermediate Swing steps - lifts, dips, Charleston, Lindy patterns plus moves & techniques for leading & following. \$50/person, \$95/couple for 4-week class

#### Contact Info: www.danceophile.com 303.499.6363, tom.masterson@colorado.edu.

#### Fourth Saturday Swing with Live Music at the Avalon Live swing music! 4th Saturday of the

month (see VAC website for changes). Local bands such as the Swingin' Seven, FortJazz Big Band, DU Claimjumpers play music for swing dancing and related forms. Intro dance lesson from 7-9 pm Music from 8-11 pm. Light refreshments. No dance experience or partner required. All ages welcome. Plenty of free parking. \$15 gen. admission, \$10 students. Avalon Ballroom, Boulder, Hosted by American Vernacular Dance, Info: Jim X. Borzym 303,449,5962. To sign up for emails, send your email address to events@teadance.info. For special notices: villageartscoalition.org. Community Dance Collective.

#### **Community Minded Dance** (cmDance)

A non-profit organization, creates worldclass, educational dance and music experiences. Our programs bring Colorado music and dance of the Americas featuring Lindy Hop, Argentine Tango, and Jazz, and other American Vintage and Folkloric dances such as Cueca, Swing, Charleston, Balboa, Jitterbug, and Tap. cmDance offers unique and historical dance education and experiences which further the Arts, to foster next generation Artists, as well as, inform and entertain Colorado audiences. This is accomplished by providing school programs with expert dance instructors; and organizing youth events that bring world-champion and internationallyrecognized instructors, musicians, and dancers to educate students across a wide range of ages. info@cmdance.org.

#### Lindy Diversion Swing Dance Weekend

- Oct 14-16, 2011 in Denver. A weekend all about vintage dances!
- Classes, performances, & live music all weekend long to NYC's finest vintage band: Gordon Webster & the Rhythm Cats.
- Beginners welcome classes just for you!
- This is a non-competitive weekend dedicated to celebrating and learning vintage dances include Swing, Lindy Hop, Jazz, Tap, and Blues.
- World-champion instructors will be teaching & inspiring new and old dancers.
- Details: www.lindydiversion.com
- Questions: lindydiversion@gmail.com STORYSMITH®

Children's Stories from the 1930s, Wed. Sept. 7, 7-8 pm. Lafayette Public Library, 775 W. Baseline Road, Lafavette, FREE! For ages 5 and up! More info: Susan Marie Frontczak, susanmarie@storysmith.org, 303.442.4052, www.storysmith.org.

#### SINGING

"Give me a place to stand,

and I will take you somewhere else."

The Colorado Sacred Harp singers exist to preserve and promote the music and the traditions of American shape note harmony along the Front Range of the Rocky Mountains and elsewhere in the state. All are welcome to come sing with us, no experience needed. Boulder group meets on the 2nd Friday of every month 7-9 pm. Email vmarylou@indra.com for location or call 303.447.9379. For info on other meetings in the Front Range see www.sacredharpcolorado.org For more info re: Sacred Harp/Shape Note SING 7-9pm monthly on the second Friday.

#### **TANGO**

#### LocoTango

Dance every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month from 6:30-10:30 pm at the Avalon, 6185 Arapahoe, Boulder. Snacks and wine, very casual, no partner necessary. Info: 303.718.4798 or halina@river.com (Halina).

#### **Argentine Tango Beginner and Advanced Beginner**

Contact Nancy for private lessons or to verify times/venue or to get more details. 303.237.9605, nlprimmer@yahoo.com.

#### Deb Sclar & Brian Dunn

**Private Instruction:** Deb and Brian are available for private instruction and presentations that combine dance performance, historical commentary, tango fashion/art/food and authentic music accompaniment. More info: www. danceoftheheart.com or 303.938.0716 x2.

#### Dance of the Heart (DoTH) Milongas

**Tango Connection Classes** on Mondays from 6:30-8:30 pm at the Avalon, Boulder. Cost \$10/class, \$18 for both. For more info and to confirm date: 303.938.0716 (Deb Sclar), www.danceoftheheart.com

#### Milonga Mercurio

Every Friday from 9:30 pm-2 am, Mercury Café. Beginning class-7 pm, Interm-8 pm. Info: 303.294.9281. (Marilyn Meginity)

#### Tango Colorado Practicas

Tuesdays at the Turnverein, Denver. Beginners & Beyond Beginners classes 6:30-7:30 pm., practica and dance from 7:00-10:30 pm. Instructed by the best local Argentine tango teachers. TC milongas usually occur on the first Saturday of the month. More info & calendar of area Argentine tango events visit: www.tanaocolorado.ora. Questions: Tangoinfo@tangocolorado.org.

#### Tango Saturdays

The newly renovated Casa Tango Studio is currently offering tango lessons on every other Saturday and a practice on the alternating Saturdays. Steve & Dvora are creating a tango social scene right here in Chaffee County. Lessons \$10, practice sessions \$5. 7595 CR150 in Smeltertown just outside of Salida. Info: dvora@casatanao salida.com 719.539.7595. Salida 303.546.6994.

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To learn how to use this web portal to create your own web site, contact: webadministrator@villageartscoalition.org



#### **ONGOING CLASSES & EVENTS**

meet new friends, and get in shape, all at the same time! Fabulous wood dance floor. Bring dance shoes or stocking feet. Refreshments! All welcome to join, any evening. Info: 303.499.6363 or 303.258.3652. Car pool from Danceophile Studio, at 6:15 pm.

#### Folk Dance Lessons

Sheila Sharpe teaches folk dance at parties, weddings, etc. 303.377.4111

#### **Hawaiian Hula Classes**

HALAU HULA O NA MAUNA KOMOHANA Teaching and performing continues thru Aug 31 and then resume on Sun. Sept 25.

- **Beginning Hula:** Sundays 7-8 pm; \$12 drop-ins; \$45 for 4 weeks.
- Ongoing/Advanced: Sundays 5:30-7 pm; \$15 drop-ins: \$55 for 5 weeks ongoing.
- Hawaiian chanting has been added as a separate class from hula. Chanting is on Sundays at 5:30-6:15pm. Cost: \$10.
   Classes at Boulder Ballet Studio in the Dairy Center. Taught by HALAU HULA O NA MAUNA KOMOHANA PUMEHANA. Info: Miriam Pumehana Paisner, (Director)

## 702.771.9772, www.oconnor.gs/halau.html. **Hawaiian, Israeli & Country Western**

303.447.9772, miriampaisner@hotmail.com,

Available for private or group lessons. More info: Miriam "Pumehana" Paisner, 303.447.9772 • www.oconnor.gs/mp.html.

#### Hora Romaneasca

Dance Teacher

Romanian Folkdance Ensemble based in Boulder. Available for performances presenting the rich folk culture of Romania highlighting its dance, music, costumes, and folk arts. Rehearsals currently held on Sundays, starting at 7:15 pm at the Grace Lutheran Church, Boulder. Contact Mihail Codrescu: mihail @netscape.net or 303.494.5640 if interested in attending performances, purchasing authentic Romanian wares or joining the group.

### **Hungarian Dancing "Tanchaz"**

Held monthly in Denver. Contact Dave Schmitz at 303.981.8612 for info. International Folk Dance: Tuesdays, 7:30-10 pm Empire Grange, Ft. Collins. For info contact Daryl Keney at 970.223.5362.

### **Maple Grove Grange Folkdancers**

Folk Dance Party & Potluck on 1st Sundays, 1-6 pm at the Maple Grove Grange, Golden. Wood floor, potluck. \$3. Info: contact Jerry Accettura at 303.763.8404.

#### **Storm Mountain Folk Dancers**

International Folk Dance Performance Group. Sharing the dances and music of Eastern and Western Europe through performance and teaching. Rehearsals held Thursday nights at the Empire Grange, Ft Collins (see location listing). More info: stormmountainfolkdancers@comcast.net, 720.514.0544 (Wendi Kiss), www.fortnet.org/smfd.

#### **ISRAELI**

#### **Boulder Israeli Dance**

Sundays at the Pearl Street Studio, Boulder. Teaching 7-8 pm, open dancing 8-10 pm. \$5/session, first time free. Info: Call Skip Ellis at 303.440.9388 or Marshall Shapiro at 303.641.6511.

#### Israeli Folk Dancing

Beginning, intermediate & advanced instruction and open dancing led by Joan Saliman & Bev Michaels. Beginning classes held monthly on Tuesdays, 7-10 pm, at the Hebrew Ed. Alliance, 3600 S. Ivanhoe St; Denver. \$5 or 5 classes for \$20 (w/coupon). More info: 303.671.7131 (Joan Saliman).

#### SALSA

#### Danceophile Studio Salsa

Classes taught by Tom Masterson at Danceophile Studio, 250 31st St. Boulder.

- Salsa Intro: Sundays, Oct. 2, 9,16, 23.
   5:30-6:45 pm. No experience needed.
   Learn the basics, secrets of communication with a partner.
   \$50/person, \$95/couple for 4-week class.
- Salsa Level II: Sundays, Oct. 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20. 5:30-6:45 pm. For those with some salsa basics or other dance exp. Review the basics, learn secrets of communication with a partner, learn fun twirls, dips, and great patterns. \$50/person, \$95/couple for 4-week class.
   Contact Info: www.danceophile.com 303,499,6363, tom.masterson@colorado.edu

#### **Joseph Snowhawk Productions**

- Boulder Salsa Social: Thursdays at the Avalon Ballroom every Thursday. We have 8 instructors teaching Rueda: 6:30-7:30 and salsa 7:30-8:30 pm. Dancing 8:30-10:30pm. We get about 150 people each night. \$12 for the whole night, \$8 for salsa lesson and dance (7:30-10:30), \$5 for dance only (8:30-10:30).
- Salsa Sundays at D Note: Sundays, 7519
  Grandview, Arvada. esson 8 pm, live
  music 9:30-12 am. \$8 cover. We get 250+
  people every week. We do 5-6 Charity
  Events every year! Info: 303.668.7355

#### **SCANDINAVIAN**

#### Fifth Saturday Bygdedans

Held on the 5th Saturday of months that have them, 8-10:30 pm, Pearl St. Studio, Boulder. \$5. Info: Eric Meyer, 303.415.1187

#### Scandinavian Dance Party

2nd Saturday of every month at the Pearl St. Studio, Boulder. Live music at most dances. Sponsored by BSD (Boulder Scandinavian Dancers). Open dancing 8-10:30 pm, \$5. Everyone is welcome: dance or listen. Info: Mike Palmer 303.442.7689, michael.palmer@mho.com.

## Scandinavian Dancing PERFECT your PIVOT, HONE your HAMBO, SHARPEN your SCHOTTIS!!

Starting Oct.17, Monday nights we will offer a series of classes on basic Scandinavian dance skills & accessible, fun dances.

Learn the secrets of maintaining your own balance while connecting with your partner and turning effortlessly. The best part is, Scandinavian dance skills transfer to most other couple dance forms, so you will be learning new dances, AND you will be enhancing the ones you already know!

We will begin with Telegangar, a
Norwegian walking dance that is
reminiscent of country swing in a relaxed
tempo, and introduce pivots, one of the
basic building blocks of Scandinavian
turning dances. Pivots are also useful in
waltz and other couple dances. In the
following weeks we will add schottis, basic
Swedish polska, stigvals, hambo and
Rørospols. Weekly classes will build on each
other, so it is important to come regularly.

Held at the Pearl Street Studio, Teaching 7:30-8:30, followed by open dancing. We usually have live music, on fiddle, nyckelharpa & button accordion. No partner necessary. Hard-soled shoes req'd since they allow smooth pivoting. \$5 per evening. More info: nellinghaus@juno.com (Nancy), 303.499.7262.

#### **SWING**

#### 23Skidoo! Events

All events take place at the Mercury Café, Denver. The Mercury Café is completely non-smoking and provides a full restaurant, bar, coffee bar, and desserts. In all of our classes: no partner or experience required, rotation is optional, all ages allowed, wear anything you'd like, comfortable shoes recommended. For more info: questions@ 23skidooland.com, www.23skidooland.com

#### • Tuesday nights:

6 pm: Beginning Lindy Hop, \$10/lesson; 7pm: Intermediate Lindy Hop, \$10/lesson; 8-12:30 am: Swing Dance with DJ'd tunes of the Jazz and Big Bad era \$6.

#### Thursday nights:

7 pm: Month long Beginner's Jitterbug series, \$10/ lesson;

8-11 pm: Practice dance with DJ'd tunes of the Big Band and Rock and Roll era \$1.

#### Sunday nights:

5:30 pm: Teacher's Choice beginning

#### **SPECIAL EVENTS**





# The Annual Village Arts Coalition Meeting ... OCTOBER 23, 2011 ...

Potluck dinner starts at 5 pm – please bring your favorite dish. Anne Vickery's house – 5255 Pennsylvania Street, Boulder.

After the dinner we are going to present a summary of the past year's activities and plans for the coming year. We will also discuss current initiatives to revise the By-Laws of the VAC. The annual meeting is especially important because it allows members to raise questions and express opinions about the operation and direction of the VAC as well as elect the Board of Directors for the coming year.

All members are welcome and encouraged to attend. We are asking each member group to confirm your plans to attend and identify a representative who will be authorized to vote for board members. Please send your replies to Robert Schaedla at schaedlar@yahoo.com or call 303.449.7558 by October 15th.



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### THE VILLAGE ARTS COALITION Welcomes Individual Members

Please provide the following information:

Name	
Address	
City	
State	_ ZIP
Phone	
Email	

Most of our notices and information are sent by email. Your information is kept confidential.

#### Check Membership Type:

○ Individual \$15, ○ Couple \$20, ○ Group \$25 ○ I am a returning member

I would like to make a tax-deductible donation to VAC' for activites supporting local music & dance.

○\$25, ○\$50, ○\$100, ○Other\_\_\_

Donations support VAC's activities in support of local music and dance.

#### Payment:

Please make checks payable to the Village Arts Coalition and mail with this form to:

VAC Treasurer, 2995 25th St; Boulder, CO 80304

### ONGOING CLASSES & EVENTS

#### **AMERICAN TRADITIONAL**

#### Arkansas Valley Music & Dance

Contra Dances in BV & Salida; Monthly Old-time and Celtic Music Jams; Classes in Swing, Salsa, Waltz, & Tango; and More! For updated schedule of events in Buena Vista, Salida, and Leadville: www.avmad.org.

#### Calico & Boots Square Dance Club Calico and Boots are on a hiatus for the summer. Info: Cathy Schlein 303.424.3472.

### Columbiners Square Dance Club

Calling all square dancers to join us on the first and third Saturdays at the East Boulder Rec. Senior Center (5660 Sioux Dr.) Round dancing begins at 7:30 pm and squares at 8 pm. \$6/non-members, \$5/club member. Membership dues \$12.50 year. Club level is mainstream, with one or two plus tips per evening. Top regional callers.

Columbiners also sponsors square dance lessons on Thursdays, 7 pm at Calvary Bible Church (CBC) on Kalmia. Dancers with some experience can join to review steps and calls before attending regular dances. Info: Dennis Bolitho 303.827.3506 or Trudy Hughes 303.415.1778.

#### Scootbacks Square Dance Club

- Lessons: Thursdays 7-9 pm at Glenn's Den, 10178 Empire Drive, Lafayette. Free first lesson & refreshments. Class remains open for the first 3 sessions. Couples, singles, all ages. \$5 per lesson. Beginner dances after 12 lessons. For more info: call Barb 303.666.8389 or June 303.661.9603.
- Dances: 2nd, 4th, and 5th Fridays.
   7:30 pm round dancing. 8-10 pm squares at Broomfield United Methodist Church (BUMC), 545 W. 10th Avenue, unless otherwise noted. We dance the

Mainstream and Plus levels. For more info call: Steve & Janet Pitts 303.666.6524.

### Hoofin' High Country Cloggers: "Alive and Kickin' Since 1979!"

We are always looking for experienced dancers for established performance troupe. Clogging performance experience desirable; Tap, Irish Step OK. Contact Ken Horwege, 303.364.2278, hoofinhigh@hotmail.com.

#### Upcoming performances:

- Sept. 3: 10:45 am, Heritage Stage, Taste of Colorado, Denver.
- Sept 24: Spanish Peaks Celtic Festival, Walsenberg/La Veta.
- Sept. 30 October 1: Octoberfest, Sidney, Nebraska.

Notice: The Editor makes no claims as to the accuracy, inclusion or exclusion of events submitted. Please contact each instructor/organizer to confirm each event/class. Thank you.

#### **ONGOING CLASSES & EVENTS**

# Community Dances by CFOOTMAD (Co. Friends of Old Time Music & Dance) Live music. 303.592.3972, www.cfootmad.org

- Westminster Old-time Community Dance:
   1st Saturday of the month at 7 pm.
- Community Dance Boulder: 1st and 3rd Fridays at 7:15 pm at the Avalon.
- **Denver Contra Dance**: 2nd and 4th Fridays 7:15 pm at the Highlands Masonic Center.
- Zesty Contra Dance: For experienced dancers, no pre-dance instruction.
   CFOOTMAD Zesty dances Scheitler Com.
   Center in Berkeley Park, Lakewood.
- Waltz Night: Sept. 30th, 8-11pm at the Highlands Masonic Center in Denver (3550 N Federal Blvd) NOT the Avalon. Free lesson at 7:15. Music: A Step in Time.

#### FoTD (Friends of Traditional Dance)

Always live music a, free refreshments.
All Dances have lessons at 7, dancing 8-11pm. Contra \$9, Waltz nights \$10, Wild Goose Ball \$20 til 10/15, \$25 thereafter; students \$5 off. Club Tico, City Park, Ft. Collins. Info: 970.631.6497, www.fotd.org.

- **Sept 3:** Julia Hayes, Tina Gugeler, and Teri Rasmussen with Paul Somlo
- **Sept 17:** Eric Levine & Rodney Sauer with Viki Lawrence
- Sept 24: Waltz Night Night with Southwind
- Oct 1: The Pondhoppers Larry Unger & Andrea Earley Coen with Carol Fey
- Oct 15: Eric Levin & Friends with Rick Smith
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   Oct 22: Wild Goose Ball at CSU Student
- Center Ballroom (Doors open at 7:30)

   Oct 29: Ladies Choice with Pat Tognoni

### Lyons Old-Time Square Dance Saturday, October 29th

- The Annual Hallowe'en Old-time Square Dance and Snack Pot-luck: 7-10 pm.
- Lyons Hallowe'en Parade: 6 pm.
- Trick-or-treating: 6:30 pm.
  Costume contest for kids and adults;
  great prizes! All donations support the
  2012 dance season. All welcome!
  Contact information: 303.823.0816,
  oldtimedances@musicinlyons.com

#### Musicians' Jams

Fourth Sunday each month 4-7pm, Denver. All levels of musicianship and interest in old time music are invited! Contact Patti Rickman at 303.796.9049, pattidean@ earthlink.net for location & directions.

#### Pikes Peak Traditional Dance

Contra dances on 3rd Saturdays, 8-10:30 pm. Lesson at 7:30. Avanti Ballroom 1337 N. Academy Blvd. Co. Springs. Info: call Adele 578.8979 or visit www.pptdcontra.com.

## Westminster Old-Time Community Dance

Dances are taught. No partner needed. 1st Saturdays of the month 7-10 pm. Lesson at 7 pm. Cost: \$6/\$5 member, \$2 children ages 6-15. Westminster Grange Hall, park on street or in back. Info: 303.592.3972 or Westminster@cfootmad.org.

#### BALLROOM

#### Waltz Classes with Barbara Roach

Fall classes start Sunday, August 28, with a special combined session for beginners & intermediate dancers, 2 pm (Pearl St. Studio.) No partner needed. New students' first class is free – come by yourself, with a friend or with a regular student. Learn the basics of waltz, use mixers for practice, get a chance to dance with everyone, plus open dancing too.

- Intermediate Classes: Sundays 2-4 pm, Sept 18; Oct 2, 16, 30, Nov 6, 20; Dec. 4. Pearl St. Studio, Boulder. \$7.
- Beginning Classes & Women Learning to Lead: classes TBD, but are typically on Saturdays, 3:15-4:30 pm.

More informatin or for priviate lessons: broach3@juno.com or 303-442-0677.

#### **CFOOTMAD Boulder Waltz Dance**

Fifth Fridays of the month 8-11 pm with free lesson at 7:15 pm. Cost \$10. You may come alone or bring a partner, but in this relaxed evening people generally dance with a different partner for each dance. Dress can be casual to dressy, vintage to modern! Held at Avalon Ballroom, Boulder. 303.592.3972, www.cfootmad.org.

#### **Sunday Afternoon Tea Dances**

Opening tea dance on September 11. Always live music! Tango, waltz, foxtrot, one-step, or just dance cheek-to-cheek to the original music of American social ballroom dance. The Mont Alto Ragtime and Tango Orchestra performs a wide variety of dance music from the ragtime and tango craze of the 1900s through the early swing of the 1930s. Enjoy an afternoon of delicious dancing to great live music! Dancing 2-5 pm second Sunday of the month, dance lesson included 1-2 pm. No partner needed. Refreshments. Dressy attire encouraged. \$15 gen. admission, \$10 for CFOOTMAD members & students. Avalon Ballroom, Boulder. Sponsored by CFOOTMAD. Hosted by American Vernacular Dance. Info: Jim X. Borzym 303-449-5962 of CFOOTMAD. For email updates, send your email address to events@teadance. info. www.villageartscoalition.org.

#### Wednesday Waltz Etcetera at Avalon

Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday, enjoy an evening of sociable couples dancing presented by Frank Vernon & Jim X. Borzym. Traditional & contemporary dance music for Waltz, Cross-Step Waltz, Viennese Waltz, Swing, Foxtrot, One-Step, Two-Step, Blues, Tango, Polka, Schottische, Hambo, Pols,

Salsa, Cha-Cha-Cha, and more.
Fundamentals are taught at 7 pm.
Intermediate Teaching at 7:30 pm.
Open dancing 8-10 pm, sometimes later.
\$7 admission. Avalon Ballroom, Boulder.
Hosted by American Vernacular Dance.
To receive email updates, send your email to events@teadance.info. More info:
303.443.9415, www.villageartscoalition.org.

### Tom Masterson's Classes Danceophile Studio

All classes are taught by Tom Masterson at Danceophile Studio, 250 31st St. Boulder.\*

- Ballroom Dancing Intro: Sundays, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23. 6:50-8:10 pm. Foxtrot, Waltz, Swing, Tango Basics, secrets of leading & following, joy of dancing with a partner. No experience or partner needed. \$50/ person, \$95/couple for 4-week class.
- Continuing Ballroom Level II: Sundays, Oct. 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20. 6:50–8:10 pm.
   Explore intermediate steps in Waltz, Swing, Latin. Some previous experience helpful. \$50/person, \$95/couple for 4-week class.
- Ballroom Dance Evenings: 1st Wednesday each month, Oct. 5, Nov. 2, Dec 7.
  Beginner instruction 7:30–8:30, Dancing 'til 10 pm. Swing, waltz, salsa, cha-cha, foxtrot, tango, polka, mixers & your requests. No experience needed. \$5.
- General: Tom Masterson offers offers private & group dance instruction in Ballroom, Swing, Latin, Folk, Country & Performance Dance. Individuals, couples, groups, parties, wedding dance choreography.

**Contact Info:** www.danceophile.com 303.499.6363, tom.masterson@colorado.edu.

\* Directions to Danceophile Studio: From Baseline & 27th, go S. on 27th 50 meters, turn left on Moorhead, go 4 blocks and turn right onto 31st. Studio is 10 buildings down on the left side.

#### **CAJUN - ZYDECO**

Cajun Dances sponsored by CFCZ (Colorado Friends of Cajun Zydeco Music and Dance) usually the 4th Sunday at the Mercury Café, Denver with the local band—The Amazing Zydematics. Dances from 1:30-5:30 pm. Doors open at 1 pm., complementary dance lesson at 1:30 pm. Check website for details as monthly dance dates as some may vary: www.cfcz.org. Info: Dan Willging at 303.745.9577.

#### **CELTIC & ENGLISH**

#### Colorado Morris

Now includes three teams, all of which will start practicing again after the performance season is over, and that means beginners are encouraged.

### ONGOING CLASSES & EVENTS

All three teams have danced at the International Festival. Particulars on each teams' practices are:

- Maroon Bells has been performing Cotswold and occasional longsword dances in many venues since 1982. You've probably seen them in whites and ribbons somewhere in the state. Practice is on Wednesdays 7:30-9:30 p.m., mostly in Northglenn. Beginners classes start each fall. More info can be found at www. maroonbellsmorris.org or call Squire Robin Smith, 303.651.0909
- Breathless in Berthoud is a Border Morris team 'border' referring to the one between England and Wales that began in 2003. If you've seen dancers in colorful tatty coats and hats, you've watched Border. Practice is on Thursdays from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in Berthoud. More info on-line at www.breathlessbordermorris.org.
- The Tommyknockers were started in 2002 for and by children of adults on Maroon Bells and have since expanded to included any interested kids. No description of the kit is needed you recognize them by their youthful energy. Practice is most often first Saturdays of the month 9:30-11:30 am in Berthoud. Call Sallie at 970.472.0863 for current details. The Tommyknocker's Morris currently range in age from 6-14. Beginners welcome any time! More info: contact Robin, 303.651.0909, squire@maroonbellsmorris.org, www. maroonbellsmorris.org.
- Tommyknockers morris seeks active kids age 10 and up for a beginners morris class this fall. We generally meet on the first Saturday of the month from 9:30-11:30 am at the Barn Owl in Berthoud. For more information contact Sallie Sprague 970.472.0863 or maroonbellsfore@gmail. com. Carpooling may be available from Boulder, Arvada and Thornton.

#### Celtic Steps

Celtic Steps School of Irish Dance specializes in Traditional Irish Solo and Ceili Dancing. Students of all skill levels, ages, and experience welcome! Irish step dancing combines the entrancing rhythms of traditional Celtic music with the grace and energy of dance. Instruction centers on the fundamentals of traditional Irish dance -- timing, body position and footwork. Building confidence, social, and team skills, students learn to dance in teams of two, three, four, six, & eight. Students learn to dance in unison, developing spatial awareness as they dance the patterns of traditional ceili dances. Classes are held at the Knights of Columbus Hall: 1741 Walnut in Boulder.

• Begineer Youth (ages 5-13), 5:30-6:30 pm

- Adult Beginner Class (ages 14 & up), 6:30-7:30 pm
- Adult Advanced Team/Show Dancing Class (ages 14 & up), 7-8:30 pm

#### Thursdays:

- Advanced Youth (ages 5-13), 5:30-7 pm
- Adult Advanced Solo Dancing Class (ages 14 & up), 7-8:30 pm

Cost: \$13 per class. New students may begin at any time. First class is free!

More info: contact Elizabeth Barton at 303.250.9899, irishdance84@gmail.com.

Registration information will be available at your first class. www.celticsteps.org

#### Denver Ceili Club

Come do Irish aerobics in a social setting with instructor, Molly Bennett. Thurs. evenings at 7ish at the Friendship Irish Dance Center, 1944/1946 South Quebec St., Denver. Call 303.750.3510 for more info.

#### **English Country Dance**

Experience the Sense and Sensibility of English Country Dance to live music. No partner or previous experience needed. All dances are walked through and figures are taught as needed. Easier dances at the beginning of the evening lead up to more elegant and graceful dances by the end of the evening. \$10; Teens/students \$5. Info: www.cfootmad.org, 303.321.2262; to receive emails please send your email to k1@indra.com.

- Saturdays, Sept. 17 & Oct. 15, 8-11 pm. 8-11 p.m., Berkeley Community Church, 3701 West 50th Av; Denver (near Regis). Chris Kermiet with live music.
- 26th Annual Winter Solabration: Mark your calendars for the, Friday, December 16, 2011, upstairs at the Mercury Cafe, 2199 California St. Denver, wsolstice.org.

#### Little London Assembly English Country Dance

- Mondays 1-3 pm: Sept. 12, 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17, 31 Colorado Springs Senior Center, 1514 N Hancock, Co. Springs.
- Saturdays 1-3 pm: Sept. 10, 24. Oct. 8, 22, Nov. 12, 26 The International Dance Club, 2422 Busch Ave, Co. Springs. Cost: \$5.

#### Irish Set Dance Class

earthlink.net.

Denver, time & place TBA. Pat McCullough: celticevents@rmi.net, 303.777.0502

### **Scottish Country Dancing**No partner needed, beginners welcome.

 Boulder: Sundays 4:30-6:30 p.m. Pearl St. Studio, Boulder. \$3. Contact Bob Burnham, 303.431.6870 meineadair@

 Denver: Mondays 7-9 p.m. at St. Peter & St. Mary Episcopal Church (2nd & Acoma), \$3.50. Contact Jamie MacKinnon, 303.451.7466, jmemack@ comcast.net

- Ft. Collins: Thursdays 7-9 p.m. at the Worthington, 900 Worthington Circle. Free. Contact Jeff Davis at 970.223.7730 pikadavis@msn.com or Jim Sites, 970.223.6013, sites@lamar.colostate.edu.
- Parker: Thursdays 7-9 p.m. at the Main Street Center, 19650 E. Main Street, \$4/\$3 members. Contact Sam Reynolds at 303.805.1446 or sam@SpinwardStars.com
- Colorado Springs: Wednesdays 7-9 pm Pikes Peak Scottish Country Dancers (PPSCD) meet at the International Dance Club (IDC), 2422 Busch Ave, Co. Springs \$5 per session. Contact Brenda Crane 719.599.4344 or John Crumlin 310.1784.

#### INTERNATIONAL

#### **Belly Dance Classes**

Taught by Natasha. Info: 303.772.4267, www.natashadances.com.

**Boulder:** Thursdays, 5:30 p.m – Beginners, 6:30 pm - Intermediate at Kakes Studio **Longmont:** Mondays, 5:30 pm – Beginners, 6:30 pm – Interm., 7:30 pm – Performing; Silk Road Studio, 59th St. near Hygiene Rd.

#### **BIFD Boulder Int'l Folk Dancers**

Friday nights, teaching 7:30-8:30 pm, open dancing 8:30-11 pm at the Pearl Street Studio, Boulder. Golden Oldies night held on the 5th Fridays with the programmer playing your favorite "oldie" dances. \$5. Info: 303.692.8213 (Debby), www.boulderifd.org

#### Denver Area Folk Dancers (DAFD)

An update for the Denver Area Folk Dancers: Regular weekly dances will be suspended for the summer as most of us will be joining Shukr Basanow for outdoor dancing in Washington Park every Thursday night. In the event of rain/severe weather we will reconvene inside at Warren United Methodist. Info: 720.635.4606.

### **Empire Grange Int'l Folk Dancing**

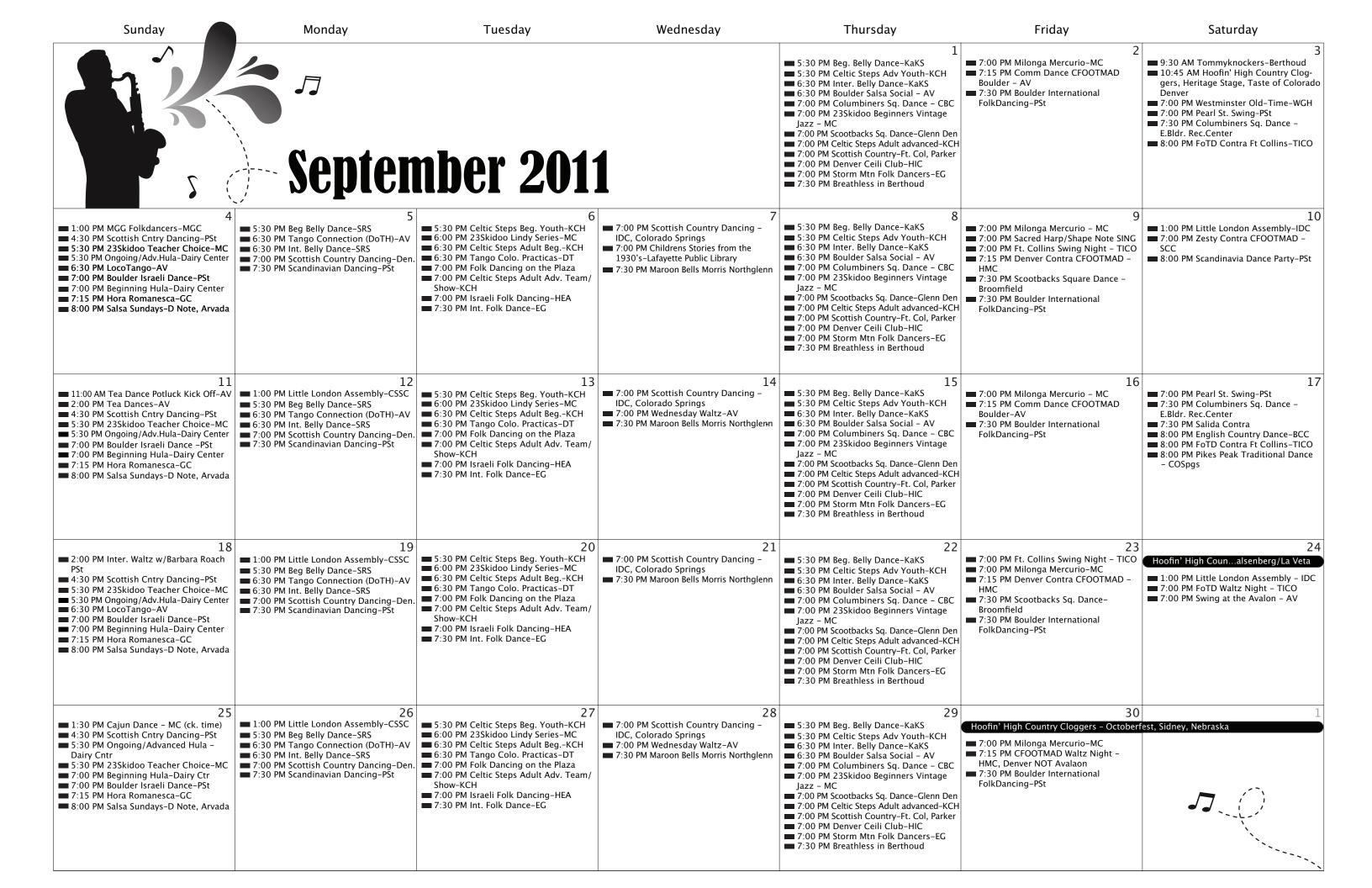
Tuesday 7:30-9:45 pm at 2306 W. Mulberry, Ft. Collins. Teaching & open dancing. \$3. Info: contact Deryl Keney 970.223.5362

#### Folkdancing on the Plaza

Tuesdays, through September 13th. Class 7-8 pm, dancing til 10. FREE! Outside on the Plaza by Dushanbe Tea House (13th St. b/w Canyon & Arapahoe.) Sponsored by Danceophile Studio, Postoley Dance Ensm; Boulder Human Relations Commission. 303.499.6363.

#### Folkdancing in the Mountains

Starting Oct. 3rd, Mondays 7-9 pm at the Nederland Community Center. Folk dances from around the world–taught & danced in the mountains in Nederland. Introductory level, no partner or exp. needed. Cost \$5. Learn great dances, experience ethnic and cultural roots,







■ 7:15 PM Hora Romanesca-GC

■ 8:15 PM Swing Level II-DS

■ 8:00 PM Salsa Sundays, D Note-Arvada

Denver

■ 7:30 PM Scandinavian Dancing-PSt

