

THIS WEEK IN PRINCETON (JANUARY 30 - FEBRUARY 9, 2018)

This Friday, February 2, 2018 at 8:00 PM **Teymour & Susan** will be programming an **all dance night**.

Reminder: Free admission on first Fridays!

Next Friday, February 9, 2018 at 8:00 PM **Ron** will be teaching, and **Albena** will be programming.

We usually dance on Friday nights from 8-11 PM at the Suzanne Patterson Center, 45 Stockton Street (aka 1 Monument Drive), off Rte. 206/Stockton Street and behind the former Police Station/Borough Hall in Princeton, NJ. Regular admission is \$5, except for special programs which are usually \$10. The first Friday of each month is a free dance for all unless a special event happens on that night! The first four times are free for newcomers. In consideration of dancers with sensitivities, please do not wear FRAGRANCES. Thanks!

If bad weather and potentially dangerous driving conditions are forecast and a decision is made to cancel the dance, you will be sent an email with that information. Please check your email on those nights to see if there is a folk dance message.

Tuesday International Folk Dancing for all ages. From 7:30 - 9:30 PM every Tuesday. Ethnic dances of many countries using original music. Lines and circles, no partner needed. Beginners welcome. Lesson followed by dance. Admission: \$5. Venue: YWCA (Multipurpose room), 59 Paul Robeson Place, Princeton (corner of Paul Robeson Place and Rt. 206). For further information call (732) 230-3755 or visit www.princetonfolkdance.org. In case of inclement weather, please call the YWCA Emergency Closing number, [609 497-2100, ext. 9](tel:6094972100) or check online at www.ywcaprinceton.org. **N.B.** There will be **no regular session** at the Y on **January 30th** because of the Taverna.

For details about the following events and for more folk dance related events, please scroll down to page 2 below.

New posts this week:

>> **BalkanCafe Wednesdays** (455 W. 56th Street; New York, NY at 7:15 PM) has announced several additional live music events. For a complete listing visit <https://www.facebook.com/pg/BalkanCafeWednesdays/events/> or see the attachment under "Regularly Scheduled Folk Dance Groups."

>> **February 1, 2018** at 8 PM **Zlatne Uste** will be performing at **Drom**; 85 Avenue A; New York, NY. For details, visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/407928922993930/>.

>> **February 2, 2018** at 2 PM **Balkan Singing Workshop** with **Carol Freeman**. Location: a private home in Teaneck, NJ. For the address and/or phone number, contact Carol at tsipra@earthlink.net.

>> **February 18, 2018** at 7 PM **Rikuday Dor Rishon** will hold its **President's Day Marathon**. Venue: Bridge for Dance; 2726 Broadway @ 104 St. in Manhattan. For more information, visit <http://www.rikud.net>.

>> **February 24, 2018** at 7 PM **Circle Dances From Around the World!**, a dance party led Steve & Susan

Kotansky with live music by Raif Hyseni, Jesse Kotansky, and Sevim Umer. Venue: The Birchwood Center; 85 S. Broadway; Nyack, NY. Space is limited. Register in advance at birchwoodcenter.com. For more information, call (845) 358-6409 or email info@birchwoodcenter.com. For a copy of the event flyer, write to Susan at <pfdfd1@gmail.com>.>>

Reminders:

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>> **February 3, 2018** at 8 PM **Terry Green & Bill Bush** will be leading the program at **Cinnaminson**. For more information, see the attachment under "Regularly Scheduled Folk Dance Groups."

>> **February 16-18, 2018 Flurry Festival 2018**, a festival of traditional dancing and music, now in its 31st year. Venue: Saratoga Hilton & City Center; 534 Broadway; Saratoga Springs, NY. For full information, visit <http://www.flurryfestival.org/index.html>.

>> **February 23, 2018** at 8 PM The Princeton Friday Night Folk Dancers present an evening of live music with **Balkan Fields**. Venue: The Suzanne Patterson Center; Monument Drive; Princeton, NJ. Admission: \$10 Please bring finger food or a non-alcoholic beverage to share. For a copy of the event flyer, visit <http://www.princetonfolkdance.org/>.

International Folk Dance and Related Events

NEW YORK- NEW JERSEY

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43rd Annual Thunderbird American Indian Dancers' Dance Concert and Pow-Wow Venue: Theater for the New City; 155 1st Ave.; NYC. Info & tickets: http://www.theatermania.com/off-off-broadway/shows/43rd-annual-thunderbird-american-indian-dancers-dance-concert-and-pow-_322554/

- Feb 2, 9 – 8pm
- Feb 3, 10 – 3pm, 8pm
- Feb 4, 11 – 3pm

February 4, 2018 at 7:00pm (6:00pm doors) **Klezmer Reimagined Alicia Svigals and Uli Geissendoerfer's Beregovski Suite Album Release Show** Venue: Joe's Pub; The Public Theater; 425 Lafayette St.; NYC. Tickets: <https://publictheater.org/en/Tickets/Calendar/PlayDetailsCollection/Joes-Pub/2018/A/Alicia-Svigals/>.

February 5, 2018 at 7:30 PM **Yunus Rajabi Memorial Concert** featuring Muslim and Jewish masters of **Shashmaqam** from Uzbekistan and the USA as they perform classical Central Asian music as it was experienced in the royal courts of the Emirs of the Bukharan Empire more than 100 years ago. Free admission. Venue: Center for Jewish History's Leo and Julia Forchheimer Auditorium; 15 W. 16th St.; NYC. Tickets: Brown Paper Tickets, 1-800-838-3006, or www.sephardi.nyc.

February 7, 2018 7:15-9:15 **Balkan Cafe Wednesdays** presents **Lauren Brody** and **Michael Ginsburg** revisiting **old-style Bulgarian and Macedonian** music and songs, featuring trumpet, accordion and vocals. Venue: 455 W. 56th Street; New York, NY. For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/596061154119323/>.

February 14, 2018 7:15-9:15 **Balkan Cafe Wednesdays** presents **Macedonian** music with **Seido Salifoski & Friends**. There will be brief instruction of the dances that will be played by the musicians. Hosted by Michael Ginsburg. Venue: 455 W. 56th Street; New York, NY. For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/170232930411910/>.

February 17, 2018 at 7:30 The Greek American Folklore Society will hold a **Tsiporovradia** with live music by George Papaligouras and his Orchestra and Pontic Lyra by Christos Tiktapanidis. Venue: Petros G. Patrides Cultural Center at St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church; 30-03 30th Avenue in Astoria, Queens, New York. Appetizers and dinner will be served. For reservations, call Effie 917-362-7955 or Matina 347-898-5464.

February 23, 2018 at 8 PM Join the Princeton Friday Night Folk Dancers for an evening of dancing to live music by **Balkan Fields**, Dean Brown (tambura, guitar) Melinda Fields (bandleader and accordion), Melika Fitzhugh (electric bass), Henry Goldberg (tupan, darbuka, riq), Melinda Hunt (vocals), and Ralph Iverson (violin, gadulka, sax). Venue: The Suzanne Patterson Center; Monument Drive; Princeton, NJ. Admission: \$10 Please bring finger food or a non-alcoholic beverage to share. For a copy of the event flyer, visit <http://www.princetonfolkdance.org/>.

February 24, 2018 at 7 PM **Circle Dances From Around the World!**, a dance party led **Steve & Susan Kotansky** with live music by **Raif Hyseni** (accordion), **Jesse Kotansky** (violin and oud), and **Sevim Umer** (percussion). Venue: The Birchwood Center; 85 S. Broadway; Nyack, NY. \$15 (pre-registration) \$20

(door). Space is limited. Register in advance at www.birchwoodcenter.com. For more information, call (845) 358-6409 or email info@birchwoodcenter.com. For a copy of the event flyer, write to Susan at [<pfnd1@gmail.com>](mailto:pfnd1@gmail.com).

March 28, 2018 7:15-9:15 Balkan Cafe Wednesdays presents **Balkan folk music** with the **Mountain Lions**. There will be brief instruction of the dances that will be played by the musicians. Hosted by Michael Ginsburg. Venue: 455 W. 56th Street; New York, NY. For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/1583643998393040/>.

April 11, 2018 7:15-9:15 Balkan Cafe Wednesdays presents **Greek and Middle Eastern** music with **Souren Baronian & Friends**. Venue: 455 W. 56th Street; New York, NY. For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/164239277531009/>.

April 25, 2018 7:15-9:15 Balkan Cafe Wednesdays presents **Lauren Brody and Michael Ginsburg** revisiting **old-style Bulgarian and Macedonian** music and songs, featuring trumpet, accordion and vocals. Venue: 455 W. 56th Street; New York, NY. For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/323044094866187/>.

April 28, 2018 1-5 PM **10th Annual NJ Folk Dance Fest**, hosted by Palisades Folk Dancers. Venue: Tenafly Middle School; 10 Sunset Lane; Tenafly, NJ. Admission \$6 plus a snack or dessert to share. Contact Karen Shannon: karens667@gmail.com/(201) 768-4268 or Annette Machac: annettemachac@optonline.net/(201) 403-3798. To receive a copy of the event flyer, write to Susan at [<pfnd1@gmail.com>](mailto:pfnd1@gmail.com).

May 5, 2018 **Save the date!** **Balkan Wassail** at Breezy Hill Orchard in Staatsburg, NY. Details TBA. <https://www.facebook.com/breezyhillorchard/>.

And Beyond ...

February 9-11, 2018 **Pathos Greek Dance Seminar 2018** featuring guest instructors **Yannis Konstantinou** (Greek Macedonian) and **Sarantos Kaperonis** (Thrace) plus an evening glendi with a live Greek band, **Endasi**. Venue: St. George Greek Orthodox Church; 7701 Bradley Boulevard; Bethesda, MD. For details, visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/316977428776308/>.

March 17, 2018 **Balkan Music Night 2018!**, a vibrant celebration of the rich musical traditions of the Balkans. Hosted by Balkan Music Night and the Folk Arts Center of New England. Venue: The Performing Arts Center at 51 Walden; 51 Walden St.; Concord, MA. For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/BalkanMusicNight/>.

Camps, Tours, Seminars, etc.

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February 22 - March 2, 2018 XXIII Annual Circle Dance Festival organized by **Gwyn Peterdi**. Venue: Kibbutz, Amexhe, Guanajuato, Mexico. For a preview, visit <https://tinyurl.com/ydyamba4>. Contact: danzamexico2018@gmail.com.

March 16-17, 2018 Save the Date! Balkan Dance Weekend featuring **Alexander Markovic** and **Lyuti Chushki**. Venue: Durham, NC. More details to follow.

April 13-15, 2018 Folkdance Workshop with Ira Weisburd teaching dances from Israel, the Balkans, and the U.S. Presented by the Oak Ridge Folk Dancers at the Square Dance Center; 828 Tulip Street; Knoxville, TN. For more information, visit www.oakridgefolkdancers.org. For the event flyer, write to Susan at <pfbfd1@gmail.com>.

May 11-13, 2018 International Folk Dance Camp (IFC) returns featuring guest teachers Sonia Dion & Cristian Florescu, Maurits van Geel, Moshe Eskayo. Venue: Circle Lodge, Hopewell Junction, NY. For more information, visit <http://ifc-ny.com/>, call Joan (617-893-2399) or email <danceIFC@gmail.com>. For a copy of the flyer, write to Susan at <pfbfd1@gmail.com>.

May 12-27, 2018 Pontian/Horon Dance Seminar in Greece featuring **Joe Graziosi**, **Kyriakos Moisisdis**, and **Ahmet Luleci**. For details, visit <http://www.danstur.com/>.

May 17-27, 2018 Dance & Culture Tour in Black Sea/Pontos featuring **Joe Graziosi**, **Kyriakos Moisisdis**, and **Ahmet Luleci**. For details, visit <http://www.danstur.com/>.

May 22 - June 6, 2018 Trip to Romania and Bulgaria with Nina Kavardjikova. For a detailed program and price, contact Nina directly at <ninalk20@hotmail.com>. For a copy of the promotional flyer, write to Susan at <pfbfd1@gmail.com>.

May - October, 2018 Jaap van Beelen and Galina Durmushliyska will be hosting a series of 8 Bulgarian singing and dance tours based in Veliko Tarnovo, Bulgaria. For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/goKotel/>, <http://www.gokotel.com/>, or write to Susan at <pfbfd1@gmail.com> for their flyer.

June 1-12, 2018 Bulgaria Folk Dance Festival Tour led by Ira Weisburd and Mitko Petrov with special guest **Goran Alachki**. For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/119830818661593/>.

June 3-12, 2018 19th Seminar of Greek Dance with Kyriakos Moisisdis. Venue: Kos - Kefalos, Greece. For more information, visit <https://tinyurl.com/ya3shz5u>. For the event flyer, write to Susan at <pfbfd1@gmail.com>.

June 12-20, 2018 Rose Valley Workshop & Party Daily workshops in Bulgarian dance, singing, and traditional instruments. Organized and hosted by Nikolay and Donka Kolev. Venue: Karavelovo, Bulgaria in the Rose Valley. Nightly parties. For details, visit <http://www.gadular.com/>. For an event flyer, write to Susan at <pfbfd1@gmail.com>.

June 16-23, 2018 Mendocino Folklore Camp, a week long folk dance and music workshop. Classes

led by world-class teachers! Venue: Mendocino Woodlands State Park; Mendocino, CA. For information and registration, visit <http://www.mendocinofolkloreamp.com/>.

June 19-30, 2018 Cristian Florescu and Sonia Dion are leading a tour of **Transylvania and Bucovina**. For more information, visit <http://www.soniacristian.net/>.

June 23-30, 2018 West Coast Balkan Camp sponsored by the EEFC (East European Folklife Center). Venue: Mendocino Woodlands, CA. For info, visit <https://eefc.org/balkan-camp/west-coast/>. For a copy of the event flyer, write to Susan at <pfnd1@gmail.com>.

July 15-22 and July 22-29, 2018 Stockton Folk Dance Camp 2018 Venue: University of the Pacific; Stockton, CA. For details, visit <http://www.folkdancecamp.org>.

July 18-28, 2018 The Kozani/Grevena Project led by Kyriakos Moisisdis. Venue: Kozani & Grevena, Western Macedonia, Greece. For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/948081645332610/>. For a copy of the event flyer, write to Susan at <pfnd1@gmail.com>.

July 27 - August 6, 2018 Dance seminar with **Nikolai Tzvetkov**, including a trip to Pirin Sings, a festival held every four years. Venue: Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria. For further information contact Bernard Duthoy directly at balkanbrugge@telenet.be. For a copy of the event flyer, write to Susan at <pfnd1@gmail.com>.

July 30-August 5, 2018 Kaba Gaida Workshop organized by **Cvetelin Andreev**. For all levels, beginners to skilled players. Venue: Slow Tech Campus; Rahovitza, Bulgaria (<http://rahovitza.org>). For details, visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/999085263555842/>.

August 4-11, 2018 East Coast Balkan Camp sponsored by the EEFC (East European Folklife Center). Venue: Iroquois Springs; Rock Hill, NY. For info, visit <https://eefc.org/balkan-camp/east-coast-balkan-music-dance-workshop/>. For a copy of the event flyer, write to Susan at <pfnd1@gmail.com>.

August 12-18 (Session 1) and August 19-25, 2018 (Session 2) Mainwoods Dance Camp! Registration for 2017 Mainwoods members begins on January 10; general registration begins on January 24. Visit <http://www.mainwoodsdancecamp.org/>.

August 7-17, 2018 Traditional Dance Seminar 2018 with **Yannis Konstantinou**: 3 Lakes; 3 Countries - Prespa, Korca, Ochrid. Details TBA. <https://tinyurl.com/ya6hbcw>.

September 10-23, 2018 Dance & Cultural Tour to Albania and Kosovo led by **Steve & Susan Kotansky** and **Kujtim & Pjereta Ismaili**. For details, visit <http://www.sskotansky.com/>.

September 20-23, 2018 Save the Date! World Camp 2018. Venue: Iroquois Springs; Rock Hill, NY. Details to follow.

October 26-28, 2018 Save the Date! International Folk Dance Weekend in Pennsylvania's Pocono Mountains featuring **Joe Graziosi** and **Cristian Florescu & Sonia Dion**. Details to follow.

HELPFUL WEBSITES

For additional information, check out these **websites**.

- **Princeton:** www.princetonfolkdance.org.

- **Philadelphia and beyond:** www.phillydance.com.
- **NJ/NY and beyond:** <http://njfolkdance.tripod.com/> and <http://BobRadcliffe.net/Events/>.
- **Balkan events:** <http://balkandance.net/2017BalkanEvents/>

Regularly Scheduled Folk Dance Groups

Tuesday International Folk Dancing (Princeton)

Tuesday International Folk Dancing takes place every Tuesday from 7:30-9:30 PM at the YWCA (Multipurpose room), 59 Paul Robeson Place, Princeton (corner of Paul Robeson Place and Rt. 206). Ethnic dances of many countries using original music. Lines and circles, no partner needed. Beginners welcome. Lesson followed by dance. Admission \$5. First time free. For further information call [732 230-3755](tel:7322303755) or visit www.princetonfolkdance.org. In case of inclement weather, please call the YWCA Emergency Closing number, (609) 497-2100, ext. 9 or check online at www.ywcaprinceton.org.

- **January 30, 2018** Regular dance session at the Y is **canceled**.

Highland Park Folkdance Circle

Highland Park Folkdancers meet every Thursday from 7:00 to 8:30 PM at the Highland Park Senior Center; 220 S. 6th Ave; Highland Park, NJ. Warm, welcoming group. Dinner afterward. For information visit <http://www.highlandparkfolkdancecircle.org/> or call semmlow@gmail.com or 723-249-6999.

Princeton Country Dancers (PCD)

Contra and English country dances, as well as Morris, Longsword, Rapper Sword, Molly, Garland, and May Pole dance teams, and a house Pick-Up Band. All events are open to the public. Live music always. When: Every Wednesday evening (8-10:30pm) with Introduction to basics at 7:30 pm; Contra dance - 2nd Saturday of each month (8-11PM); English country dance - 4th Saturday of each month (8-11pm); Contra dance - selected Sundays (3-5pm) – Family dances. Children welcomed and encouraged to dance and/or play in the Mixed Age Dance (MAD) Band! All *Fifth* Wednesday dances **free** for those 35 and younger.

Where: Suzanne Patterson Center; 45 Stockton St., Princeton, NJ. Admission: Regular Wednesday dance: \$10 regular admission; Limited Income Rate: \$5-10 (for students, seniors, and anyone in between with a limited income.) Saturday Dances: \$11 regular admission; Limited Income Rate: \$5-11 (for students, seniors, and anyone in between with a limited income.). * Special events may have a different admission charge. Beginners are welcome! An Introduction to Basics workshop is offered before each dance (starts at 7:30pm for regularly scheduled dances).

First-time contra or English dancers will get free admission to their first regular Wed. or Sat dance. They will also get a coupon to come back to their second dance for free. In addition, any regular dancer who brings a first-time contra or English dancer to the dance will get half-price admission to the dance that night. For more information, visit <http://www.princetoncountrydancers.org/>.

- **January 31, 2018** Contra dance featuring Bob Isaacs / Ann Lutun with Crossing The Millstone (Michael Bell, Larry Koplik, John McDonald, and Jane McCarthy)

BalkanCafe Dance Wednesdays

Every Wednesday 7:15 - 9:15 PM through December 6, 2017. Live music every week with a variety of musicians mostly from the New York area. There will be brief instruction or "quick teaches" of the dances that will be played by the musicians. Hosted by Michael Ginsburg. Light snacks available. Venue: 455 W. 56th Street; New York, NY. \$15 per session. For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/BalkanCafeNYC/> or call 646-831-8720.

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- **February 14, 2018 Macedonian music with Seido Salifoski & Friends.**
- **February 21, 2018 Bulgarian music with Cherven Traktor.**
- **February 28, 2018 Balkan brass** with members of Zlatne Uste Brass Band.
- **March 7, 2018 (Tentative) Greek Thracian with Ta Aidonha.**
- **March 14, 2018 Balkan brass** with **Catherine, Jerry and Michael.**
- **March 21, 2018 Bulgarian with Cherven Traktor Band**
- **March 28, 2018 Balkan folk music** with the **Mountain Lions**, thrilling zurla tradition on saxes.
- **April 4, 2018** - To be announced
- **April 11, 2018 Greek and Middle Eastern** music with **Souren Baronian & Friends**
- **April 18, 2018 Balkan music** with **Jesse Kotansky** on violin.
- **April 25, 2018 Lauren Brody and Michael Ginsburg** revisit old-style Bulgarian and Macedonian music and songs, featuring trumpet, accordion and vocals.

Young Bulgarian Voices New York

Every Sunday, classes in Bulgarian dance, gaida, and tupan. Venue: Manhattan School for Children; 154 W. 93rd St.; Manhattan. Suggested donation \$10. For information, visit <https://ybvny.org/>.

- 11-1 PM Kaba Gaida with Kiril Ketev
- 11-1 PM Tupan with Mersid Mustafov-Semka
- 11-12 PM Bulgarian Folklore Singing with Petya Maglova
- 12-1 PM Bulgarian Folk Dance with Cathie Springer

Central Park Folk Dancing

Every Sunday from 1-6 PM, weather permitting. (See the note below for information about the indoor sessions in the winter.) Dances from around the world! Beginner informal teaching at 1 PM, occasional instruction as the session progresses. Partners not necessary. Venue: The Dancers' Circle, between Turtle Pond and the statue of King Jagiello, mid-park between 79th and 80th Sts. in Central Park, Manhattan. Suggested donation: \$5. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/Central-Park-Folkdancers-597473633706425/>. For more info or cancellations, please call Walter at:212-206-1351 or 917-873-2026.

Indoor Sessions: 12 PM Venue: Asser Levy Recreation Center; 392 Asser Levy Place; New York, NY. Participants will have to join the facility. The rates are reasonable. For more information, write to urbanfolkdancer@gmail.com.

Scandia New York

Most Wednesdays from 7:00 - 10:00 PM. September 13 - December 13, 2017. Venue: Town and Village Synagogue; 334 E. 14th Street; New York, NY. Enter at the door to the right of the main entrance. All levels welcome. No partner needed. Wear hard soled shoes with a low heel, best for turning, if possible. Snacks will be provided. You may bring kosher goodies to share if inspired to do so. Suggested donation: \$10.00. For more information, visit <https://sites.google.com/site/scandianewyork/>.

- **January 31, 2018** Arne will introduce Hyfs from Föllinge.

NY Klezmer Series

Every Thursday from 6:30-11 PM, starting September 8, 2016. Venue: The Jalopy Theater; 315 Columbia St.; Brooklyn, NY 6:30-8 PM. For a schedule of bands & dance leaders, visit

<http://aaronalexander.com/wp/concert-schedule>. Don't forget the City Winery Sunday **Klezmer Brunch**. Info: http://www.citywinery.com/newyork/tickets.html?event_genre=620

Tuesday Night Folk Dance (NYC)

Every Tuesday Night, 7-10 PM. Venue: 3929 Studios, 39 West 29th Street, between 6th Ave. & Broadway; 2nd floor (press 2 in elevator). If the street door is locked, press "2" on the intercom Admission: \$15 at the door or \$10 per session with a 5-week subscription. Free parking is available after 7 pm on 29th and 28th Streets. There may be parking after 6 pm in the area but please read signs carefully!
Studio Phone: [646-727-7032](tel:646-727-7032); Walter's Phone: [917-873-2026](tel:917-873-2026)

Tuesday International Folk Dancing (Philadelphia)

Every Tuesday night, from 8:00 to 9:50 PM. Venue: Lloyd Hall; 1 Boathouse Row; Philadelphia, PA. All are welcome; no experience or partners needed. Please wear soft-soled, non-marking shoes. On-site parking available. Suggested donation: \$5 -- to support Tuesday Folk Dancing. Sponsored by the Folk Dance Council of the Delaware Valley, www.folkdancecouncil.org. For information, contact Steve at 610-359-0926 or steveclarkeb@gmail.com.

- **January 30, 2018** Terry and Bill will be leading.

Beaver Folk Dancing

Every Wednesday night year-round from 7:30-9:30 PM Venue: Or Hadash; 190 Camp Hill Rd.; Fort Washington, PA. Admission: \$7.00, or \$5.00 for Or Hadash members Free trial! No charge your first time. Recreational, international folk dance group open to everyone. Lines, circles, couples... Teaching and requests at all levels. For more information: <http://beaverfolkdance.org/>

- **Jan. 31** – Carol will be leading. Live music by John Matulis

Also, on Sunday afternoons from 4 to 5:30 PM once a month, there will be **Israeli dance sessions** from the **First Generation repertoire**. Dates for each month will be announced. The cost is \$5 per person. For more information, contact Amy Gross at amybaby18@msn.com.

- **Jan. 28** - Donna Hendel will be leading.
- **Feb. 25** - Donna Hendel will be leading.

Cinnaminson NJ

International Folk Dance Parties

Generally the **first Saturday of the month**; 8pm to 10:30pm. Mostly requests, oldies, and non-couple dances with an emphasis on dances from eastern Europe and the Middle East.

Venue: Unmarked gymnasium of Westfield Friends School; 2201 Riverton Road, Cinnaminson, NJ 08077 (0.1 miles east of Route 130) Suggested donation \$8 per adult. Children accompanied by an adult are admitted free. Please bring snacks to share. Please no alcohol.

Directions: From Route 130 take Riverton Road (Route 603) southeast toward Moorestown. Turn right into the second driveway on the right. The driveway is not well marked but is bordered by two short brick pillars. After a few feet the driveway curves left to run parallel to the road. Follow to 20-space parking lot between the street and the gym. If you go more than 0.1 miles east from Route 130 then you have gone too far. For more information please contact Clark Loveridge at (267) 939-8137 or cloveri@juno.com.

- **February 3, 2018** Terry & Bill will be leading.

Folk Dance on Fridays

Every Friday year round, 1-2:30 (with a few scheduled cancellations announced in advance). Location: the Center on the Hill (in the Presbyterian Church of Chestnut Hill), 8855 Germantown Ave., Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, PA. Admission: first time free, \$7/session, or \$60 for block of 10. International Folk Dance; all levels welcome. Special 12:30 - 1pm "pre-session teaching" weekly. **Bill Wadlinger** leads the sessions. Occasional free events (dance parties with live music, film screenings of interest to dancers and lovers of world music. Weekly email newsletter after every session. Occasional guest teachers. Details and contact info: see <http://www.folkdancefridays.org>.

Friday Folk Dance

International folk dance every 2nd & 4th Friday from 8 to 10 PM. Location: Palmyra Community Center; 30 W. Broad St.; Palmyra, NJ. Suggested donation: \$5. For more information, write to South Jersey Folk Dancers at njfolkdance@gmail.com.

Rikuday Dor Rishon

Every Sunday from 7:30-8:15 PM Basic Israeli dance instruction followed by open dancing by request. Rikuday Dor Rishon focuses on preserving and perpetuating the first generation fo Israeli folk dances. Venue: Bridge for Dance; 2726 Broadway @ 104 St. in Manhattan. \$10; \$15 for special events. Special events include workshops, parties, marathons, and Shorashim every Labor Day weekend. For more information, visit <<http://www.rikud.net>>. For up-to-date information, join the email list at rikudayam@gmail.com.

- **February 4, 2017** 2-6 PM -- **Tu B'shvat Party** with holiday food, music, and dances. Venue: B'nai Jeshurun Community House; 270 West 89th St. 3rd fl. **Israeli dance session at Bridge for Dance is canceled.**
- **February 18, 2018** 7 PM -- ?? **President's Day Marathon** ןותרמ

Jim Gold Folk Dance Classes!

Fun! Excitement! Exhilaration! Growth! Expansion! Friendly people! No partners needed! Beautiful music to fill your ears and fire your soles! Learn to soar, while others merely waddle!

- **Every Monday** from 7:15-9 PM. Venue: St. Paul's Church; 113 Engle Street; **Englewood**, NJ. Fall schedule: September 25, October 2, (16, 23, 30 TBA), November 6, 13, 20, 27, December 4, 11. \$10
- **Every Wednesday** from 11-12:30 AM Venue: Richard Rodda Center; 250 Colonial Court; **Teaneck**, NJ. 10 sessions only, beginning September 13, 2017.
- **First Friday** of every month from 8-10 PM. Venue: First Congregational Church; 14 Brookside Drive; **Darien**, CT. Schedule: October 6 (Opening night), November 3, December 1, 2018: January 5, February 2, March 2, April 6, May 4. \$15

For information, Jim Gold: 497 Cumberland Ave.; Teaneck, NJ 07666; (201) 836-0362; <http://www.jimgold.com>; email: jimgold@jimgold.com.

International Folk Dancing with Betty Ciallella

Thursday nights from 7:30-10:00 P.M. Intermediate level with emphasis on Balkan, Romanian and Israeli. Great group of people. Beautiful room with sprung-wood floor. Refreshments served. Venue: The Riverside Community Church; 100 Gilbert Ave.; Elmwood Park, NJ. Fee: \$10.00

Maplewood Folkdancers

Dancing every Thursday at 8:00 PM with Ron Weston. Venue: The Burgdorff Culture Center (across from Maplewood station) at 10 Durand Rd. in Maplewood, NJ. Air-conditioned comfort.

Kimberton International Folk Dance Society

Some Friday nights from 8:00-10:30 P.M. in Kimberton, PA (Phoenixville area). (Schedule below)
Beginners and experienced dancers are welcome. Partners are not necessary. Dances will be taught and requests will be taken. Venue: Beaver Run Farm community building; Seven Stars Rd. near the Kimberton Waldorf School; Kimberton, PA. Bring your requests and a snack to share. Please wear soft-soled, non-marking shoes- preferably no outside shoes, to protect the floor. Cost: \$5.00 per person. For more information, please call John and Nancy 610-827-1486 or Alison 610-942-4261.

Germantown Country Dancers

Every Wednesday, English Country Dancing and allied dance forms in the greater Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, area. Unless otherwise noted, Wednesday night dances and events are held at the [Merion Friends Activity Building](#) in Merion, PA, from 8:00pm to 10:15pm. Beginners' orientation at 7:40. New and inexperienced dancers and musicians actively welcomed. Admission \$7. First time attendees receive a free pass for next visit.

First Saturdays: Workshop 3:00-5:30 PM. Admission \$8. Dance 7:30-10:30 PM. Admission \$9. Both \$13. Venue: Summit Presbyterian Church; Greene & Westview Streets; Mount Airy, Philadelphia.

Second Sundays 3:00-4:30 PM. Old time fun for all ages. Admission \$5 for adults; \$2 for kids; \$15 max. Venue: Summit Presbyterian Church; Greene & Westview Streets; Mount Airy, Philadelphia.

For details: <http://www.germantowncountrydancers.org/>

Mostly Waltz

Fourth (sometimes fifth) Sunday of every month. The program is weighted to waltzes; other couple dances make up the balance of the program. Refreshments served at the break. Your kosher snacks to share are welcome. Venue: Felinton Hall; Beth El-Ner Tamid; 715 Paxon Hollow Rd.; Broomall, PA 19008. For details, visit their excellent and informative website: <http://www.mostlywaltz.com/> or call 215.643.4397 or 215-512-5051. Upcoming sessions:

- February 25 -- Note **venue change** to the Presbyterian Church of Chestnut Hill; 8855 Germantown Ave.; Chestnut Hill; Philadelphia, PA
- March 25, April 29, May 27, June 24, July 29, August 26

International Music Jams

The **International Folk Sounds** band hosts a monthly jam for musicians and singers who want to play and sing international dance music. The repertoire draws from many different areas including the Balkans, Russia, Scandanavia, Armenia, Israel, Turkey, U.S. and many others. We've had bagpipes to washboards plus traditional instruments! All are welcome!

When: Third Monday of each month. 8:00 - 9:30 p.m. (Come a little early to set up.)*

Where: Susan and Don Anderson's; 655 Crestwood Road, Wayne, PA 19087-2356

What to Bring: Instrument or voice and a music stand. Music is provided (including b flat) or bring enough to share. Refreshments are provided too! Yummy!

For more information, visit http://www.internationalfolksounds.org/?page_id=577

- Schedule of the next International Music Jams: February 19, March 19, April 16, etc.

Arden Folk Dance Guild

All dances are held at the Arden Guild Hall; 2126 The Highway; Arden, DE, 7:30-9:30 PM. For information, call 302 478 7257 or 610 277 0844, visit www.ardenclub.org, or see us on Facebook on Arden Folk Guild. For the **event schedule** through January 1st, visit <http://ardenclub.org/november-december-2015-schedule/>.

- Sunday Arden In Motion from 3-5 PM, sponsored by the Folk Guild, will be stretching, moving, and exploring dance and movement improvisation to live music each month. Open to all, no prior

experience needed. Followed by an informal potluck and get-together, feel free to bring food and refreshments. Fee: \$15 adults, \$12 Club Members, children under age 16 free with an adult.

Edison International Folk Dance Group

Tuesdays: 8:00 pm-9:45 pm; Saturdays (for beginners): 3:00pm-4:45pm
Location: Edison M.B.V Community Center, 1070 Grove Ave., Edison, NJ 08820
Website: <https://sites.google.com/site/eifdg2008/>
Email: eifdg_whr@yahoo.com

Palisades Folk Dancers, Tenafly, NJ

The Palisades Folk Dancers, a recreational dance group, continues its fall season This 30 year-old organization teaches international folk dancing at all levels from Greece, Turkey, Bulgaria, Romania, Serbia, Macedonia, Albania, Israel, Russia, Armenia, Scotland, Holland, Brittany, Czech Republic and Slovakia.

Classes are held from 3-5:30 p.m. two Sundays a month, September through early June, at The Church of the Atonement, 97 Highwood Ave., at Engle St, Tenafly, NJ. Suggested donation \$10. Everyone welcome.

No experience or partner needed. No enrollment. Spacious, well-lit room with wood floor. Casual dress. Soft-sole shoes. Free refreshments. Easy street parking 10 minutes from George Washington Bridge.

Winter/Spring Schedule: January 7, 14, 28; February 4, 18; March 4, 18 (On March 18th, the Bosilek Bulgarian Ensemble performs); April 8, 22; May 6, 20; June 3 Last dance of the season

The Palisades Folk Dancers event schedule is at: <https://www.nj.com/events/event/palisades-folk-dancers/440704/>

By Car: Palisades Parkway Exit 1 to light. Turn right onto 9W North for 1.7 miles. Left onto E. Clinton Ave. (sign for Tenafly); 1.7 miles to traffic light on Engle St. Right onto Engle St. for 0.4 miles to next traffic light, which is Highwood Ave. Entrance for dancing is on Engle St. Police permit parking only on the street, not in the driveway.

By Bus: NJ Transit ([973-762-5100](tel:973-762-5100)) #166 from Port Authority; Red & Tan ([201-384-2400](tel:201-384-2400)) #84 or #14 from GWB to Tenafly Railroad Station, 1 1/2 blocks East (up the hill) to church. Port Authority Bus Information Center ([212-564-8484](tel:212-564-8484)).

For additional information, call Ginny Brandmaier at [201-768-4268](tel:201-768-4268) Donation: \$10 except for special events.

- **April 28, 2018 1-5 PM 10th Annual NJ Folk Dance Fest**, hosted by Palisades Folk Dancers. Venue: Tenafly Middle School; 10 Sunset Lane; Tenafly, NJ. Admission \$6 plus a snack or dessert to share. Contact Karen Shannon: karens667@gmail.com/(201) 768-4268 or Annette Machac: annettemachac@optonline.net/(201) 403-3798. To receive a copy of the event flyer, write to Susan at pfnd1@gmail.com.

Monmouth Folk Dancers

International folk dancing every Tuesday night from 7-10 PM. Dancing old favorites at 7; teaching 7:30-8:30; request dancing from 8:30-10. Venue: Embury United Methodist Church; 49 Church St.; Little Silver, NJ. \$5 admission.

Morristown Folk Dancers, Mountain Lakes, NJ

MFD Session Schedule: Every Wednesday evening
Basics teaching taught by Ron at 7:30 / Intermediate at 8:00; Open request dancing begins at 8:30.
Venue: Mountain Lakes Community Church; 48 Briarcliff Rd.; Mountain Lakes, NJ.
Admission: Supporters: \$5, others \$6 (First-timers get their 1st visit free during regular dance evenings.)
Party nights take place on the first Friday of the month.

- Monthly Party Night The first week in of the month we'll celebrate b'days, anniversaries, and any other reason to celebrate. Bring yummy snacks to eat. If you're celebrating a (birthday / anniversary), you get a guaranteed-to-be-done dance request.

Directions to Mtn Lakes & other info about our group:

http://njfolkdance.tripod.com/fd_morristown.html

Meetup page (join the group!) www.meetup.com/morristownfolkdance

MFD dance videos / All of Loretta's videos:

<http://vimeo.com/user5573587/videos/sort:alphabetical>

Or click "show all" on right of any video to see all of Loretta's videos. (To improve sound+video synchrony, click blue HD letters - TURNS OFF Hi Def)

MFD's party pictures: <http://picasaweb.google.com/robproper28> (Thanks Robert!)

- **February 2-4, 2018 13th Annual Joint Ski & Folk Dance Weekend** sponsored by the Monmouth and Morristown Folk Dancers Folk dance parties with all-request dancing, folk dance workshops, skiing locally (snow permitting), hiking, shopping, swimming in hotel pool and more.vAll folk dancers are welcome! Venue: The Inn at Pocono Manor; 1 Manor Dr.; Pocono Manor, PA. To reserve, call Latasha Bailey at 570-839-7111 x7672 during business hours. For more information contact: Loretta Holz: 732-356-7773 x 201 (work)/732-356-3923 (home)/loretta@varisys.com or visit www.monmouthfolkdancers.org or www.njfolkdance.tripod.com/fd_morristown.html. For a copy of the event flyer, write to Susan at <pfnd1@gmail.com>.

Folk Dance Unltd.

Tuesdays, 7:30-10:00 PM @ Green Brook Middle School

132 Jefferson Ave.

Green Brook, N.J. 08812

More info.: Elizabeth at [\(908\) 753-8929](tel:9087538929)

Israeli Dance in Cherry Hill

Tuesday nights -- Temple Beth Sholom, 1901 Kresson Rd, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003.

7:00-7:45: beginners; 7:45-9:30: intermediate and advanced

\$7 per session; \$3 for students under 21 and first time dancers

For more information, contact Sharon Polsky: cherryhilldance-owner@yahoogroups.com

Israeli Dancing in Hillsborough

Temple Beth El, 67 US Hwy 206 No, Hillsborough, NJ 08844

Thursday Nights, Time: 7:30 - 9 PM; beginners, please contact instructor (908-327-0503) for pre-7:30 instruction. For more information, please call 908-327-0503 or email dancesfromtheheart@gmail.com
Cost: \$10

Israeli Dancing with Miriam

Every Thursday evening at 7 PM From 7-8, beginner Israeli couple dancing followed by circles and couples for intermediate/advanced dancers. Venue: Temple Neve Shalom; 250 Grove Ave.; Metuchen,

NJ. There is plenty of free parking in the synagogue's lot. For information, directions etc. contact Miriam Handler at [732-306-5407](tel:732-306-5407) or miriamhandlerdance@gmail.com.

International Folk Dancing with Christine

First and third Sundays - Request parties from 1:30-4:30 PM. Contribution: \$15. Beginning **January 7, 2018** The **Sunday** sessions will be held in a **new location**: Pearl Studios; 500 Eighth Ave., 12th floor; New York, NY.)

2018 Schedule: January 7, 21; February 4, 18; March 4, 18; April 1, 15; May 6; May 20 – End of Season Party

Every Tuesday – Classes teaching old and new dances from 1:30-3:30 PM. Venue: Chelsea Studios; 151 West 26th St.; New York, NY. Contribution: \$12.

2018 Schedule: January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; February 6, 13, 20, 27; March 6, 13, 20, 27; April 3, 10, 17, 24; May 1, 8, 15, 22 May 29 – End of Season Party

Everyone is welcome!

For more Information: Call Christine@1-212-505-1961 or email cam39@earthlink.net

Bring a friend, bring a smile, bring a nosh, bring requests! Join us!

In case of bad weather or for more information call Christine at 212-505-1961 or email cam39@earthlink.net – Chelsea Studios: 212-924-5877. To obtain a copy of the flyer, write to Susan at [<pfnd1@gmail.com>](mailto:pfnd1@gmail.com).

Ellen Golann's Folk Dance Class

Thursday Afternoons - 1:30pm-3:30pm International Folk Dance Class Venue: American Legion Hall, 115 Southern Pkwy, Plainview, NY. For more info call Ellen at 516-921-0003; email: egolann35@gmail.com.

Metro DC Area - Greenbelt International Folk Dance

Every Friday night 8:30-10:45 PM International Folk Dancing. Line, Circle, and Couple Dancing from the Balkans, Europe, Scandinavia & Other Places. Dance teaching until approximately 9:00 or 9:15 then request dancing until 10:45. \$7 Admission (Students and seniors half price.)

Venue: Greenbelt Community Center - Dance Studio; 15 Crescent Rd.; Greenbelt, MD
(In case of inclement weather, call 301-474-0646 or 301-397-2208)

Newcomers and beginners are welcome. For information, contact Larry Weiner (301) 565-0539 / larry@larryweiner.com and John & Sheila Robinson (410) 715-9210.

Dance Tours and Vacations

Jim Gold International, Inc:

ISRAEL! . . . March 11-22, 2018. Led by Jim Gold and Joe Freedman \$3995

BULGARIAN ROSE FESTIVAL TOUR! . . . May 25-June 6, 2018 Led by George Vishegonov

NORWAY/DENMARK/SWEDEN! . . . June 12-25. Led by Lee Otterholt \$3495 SPECIAL OFFER! Register before December 1 and get a \$500 price reduction!

POLAND! . . . June 11-25, 2018. Led by Richard Schmidt

ROMANIA! . . . July 1 -12, 2018. Led by Lee Otterholt.

WINE TASTING AND CULINARY TOURS OF BULGARIA . . . July 13-21 & September 15-23, 2018 Led by George Vishegonov

5-COUNTRY BALKAN ADVENTURE! . . . July 29-August 12, 2018. Led by Jim Gold

SCOTLAND! . . . September 9-22, 2018. Led by Richard Schmidt.

SPAIN! . . . October 11-24, 2018. Led by Jim and Lee Friedman

GREEK ISLAND TOUR! . . . October, 2019 Crete/Santorini: Led by Jim Gold and Lee Otterholt \$3795 (app)

ARGENTINA! . . . February, 2019. Led by Jim and TBA

JAPAN! . . . TBA 2019 Led by Richard Schmidt.

Visit www.jimgold.com for itineraries, details, YouTube videos. Flyers are available on request by writing to Susan at pfdfd1@gmail.com.