



News from Sun Assembly

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Welcome the New Year with Sun Assembly!

Join us for our annual **New Year's Eve Dance**, Friday, 31 December 2011, 8:30pm, at **The Ark**, East Campus, Duke University. Every year we dance and sing in the new year with friends old and new in this gorgeous dance space. Allan and Russell will teach; our own FABULOUS musicians will provide lively music. Bring a snack/dessert for the break and socks or non-street shoes to dance in. Suggested donation: \$18; \$15 for Sun Assembly members and Duke students, less if you're pinched, free if you're 12 or under. For more information: <http://www.sunassembly.org/> or 286-2202.

Save the Date—Spring Dance, March 10, 2012!

Sun Assembly will host a Spring Dance on March 10, 2012 at The Ark, Duke University East Campus. Please stay tuned for more details after the New Year.

More, More!!

Our September Neighborhood Night was great fun! We brought in some new dancers and had a great turnout of regulars to help them along. We have other ideas afoot to increase our attendance, but can always use your recruitment and your ideas. **Bring your friends** to dance, especially on first Thursdays, fun and easy night. If you have thoughts about how to publicize our dances and/or bring in more new folks, please contact Sharon Bottesch or Pat Petersen.

WATCH OUT! Venue change!!! HEADS UP!

We will **NOT** be dancing at the Freedman Center on **MARCH 1**. We don't yet have an alternate location, but we'll keep you posted. Check our website (see above)!

Summer Camp Priority

As a CDSS affiliate, Sun Assembly may nominate one or two of its members for priority at its (usually over-subscribed) summer camps. Would YOU like to be nominated this year? Contact Gail at lacyhughes@earthlink.net.

CDSS—New Director, New Directions

The Country Dance and Song Society is in an exciting transitional phase! We're looking to the future with new publications, projects, connections, and increased communication among dancers and dance groups around the country. The search for a new director has been officially posted (know of anyone who might be interested??). The Board is diligently working on a new strategic plan and beginning preparations for the Centennial of CDSS in 2015. In your year-end philanthropic deliberations, please consider supporting what you love by making a donation to CDSS, the organization that supports us all! Go to cdss.org

Join our Steering Committee!

The Sun Assembly Steering Committee is a small group of dancers who meet once a month or so before a dance to plan and confer, at Pat and Doug's, 1702 Vista St., Durham (call 683-9672 for directions). Drop in to see what's going on, and let us know if you're interested in joining. We love your input—the more, the merrier!

Time to Renew Your Membership! Thanks...

Support English Country Dance in our community: **become a member** of Sun Assembly. Your membership helps us sponsor regular Thursday dances as well as special events. To join or renew, send the form below with your check, made out to **Sun Assembly**, to **Judy Strickland, 1102 Infinity Rd., Durham, NC 27712**. You can also use the form to donate to our Live Music Fund. Many thanks for your support. And while you're at it, consider joining the **Country Dance and Song Society**, the umbrella organization that supports all kinds of English & American dance & dance camps, provides scholarships, publishes materials, & much more.

SUN ASSEMBLY MEMBERSHIP 2012

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ DATE _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____ E-MAIL _____

I'm in! Enclosed is my check to SUN ASSEMBLY for ___\$12 (annual regular membership) ___\$200 (annual sustaining membership; includes admission to all regular dances and New Year's Eve).

Send newsletter by ___e-mail ___regular mail. Enclosed is my contribution of _____ to the Celia Wright Live Music Fund.

DANCE CALENDAR and teaching schedule

All dances are held at the **Freedman Center of Beth El Synagogue**, Watts St. at Green, Durham, 7:30-9:30 p.m., unless otherwise specified. Suggested donation: \$5/night or \$20/month; . For more info, call 683-9672 or 286-2202.

From Raleigh: take I-40 to the Durham Freeway; exit at Duke St. Turn right; go through town, past the high school on the left, thru the lights at Trinity & Markham. Go one more block, turn left on Green, go to the 2nd stop sign, turn left on Watts, & left into the parking lot. *From Chapel Hill:* take 15-501 to I-85 north. Exit at Gregson St. The 3rd light is Markham; turn right, right at the next corner onto Watts, & right into the parking lot. The building is to the left of the parking lot.

WHEN	WHERE	TEACHERS	SPECIAL INFO
Thurs., Dec. 8	Freedman Center	Pat Petersen	Live Music! Collard Greene
Thurs., Dec. 15	Freedman Center	Allan Troxler	
Thurs., Dec. 22	Freedman Center	Gail Lacy	Live Music! Collard Greene
Thurs., Dec. 29	Freedman Center	Allan Troxler	[holiday theme]!
Sat., Dec. 31	The Ark	Allan Troxler & Russell Herman	New Years Eve Dance!!! Live Music!
Thurs., Jan. 5	Freedman Center	Allan Troxler	<i>First Thursday Fun and Easy Night!</i>
Thurs., Jan. 12	Freedman Center	Pat Petersen	Live Music! Collard Greene
Thurs., Jan. 19	Freedman Center	Gail Lacy	
Thurs., Jan. 26	Freedman Center	Allan Troxler	Live Music! Collard Greene
Thurs., Feb. 2	Freedman Center	Allan Troxler	<i>First Thursday Fun and Easy Night!</i>
Thurs., Feb. 9	Freedman Center	Pat Petersen	Live Music! Collard Greene
Thurs., Feb. 16	Freedman Center	Allan Troxler	
Thurs., Feb. 23	Freedman Center	Gail Lacy	Live Music! Collard Greene
Thurs., Mar. 1	LOCATION TBA	Allan Troxler	<i>First Thursday Fun and Easy Night!</i>
Thurs., Mar. 8	Freedman Center	Allan Troxler	Live Music! Collard Greene
Sat, Mar 10	The Ark, Duke EC		Spring DanceFest!
Thurs., Mar. 15	Freedman Center	Gail Lacy	Live Music! Collard Greene
Thurs., Mar. 22	Freedman Center	Pat Petersen	
Thurs., Mar. 29	Freedman Center	Pat Petersen	5th Thursday challenge!

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