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Newsletter for May 2006

Howdy!



It seems we are getting the showers along with the flowers during this rainy May. Fresh from our successful trip to Canterbury, tonight we're back home and Club of the Month, ready to welcome dancers from all over CASDC. So let your dancing shoes kick away those rainy-day blues - get in a square and dance!

Annual General Meeting/Potluck Dinner

Our Annual General Meeting/Potluck Dinner was held at Alma Derway's lake house in Columbia on May 10. After a feast provided by the attending members we got down to business. Thanks to Alma for allowing us to use her home once again for our meeting - there's nothing like a meeting by the fireplace to warm things up. After the officer reports, the Executive Board was elected for next year. The Executive Board for 2006/07:

President: Fred Rick and Alma Derway

Program: Burt and Jeanne Starkey

Treasurer: Al and Elaine Mackey

Secretary: Ethel Lusky

Hospitality: Noreen and Chuck Morgan

Publicity: Gloria and Bob Lee

Special Events: Jerry Leibowitz

Association Rep: Pat Powers and Alice Leibowitz

Canterbury Dance Brings in the Multitudes

OK, "multitudes" is an exaggeration, however we had a larger than expected turnout at the dance held in Canterbury on April 21. In addition to nearly five squares of dancers, over two dozen guests came to watch the festivities with an eye to taking lessons in the future. We want to thank Clay Pellet for helping to organize the event and getting so many potential dancers to attend.

We had to move the dance from Sweeney because the Windham schools were closed that week for spring vacation. This happens to us almost every year. Because of the success of this dance we have decided to make this an annual event. Our April 20, 2007 dance will be held at the Canterbury Community Center. Mark your calendars!

Windham Joins South Windsor for End of Summer Bash

Windham Whirlers will co-sponsor an "End of Summer Bash" with the South Windsor Square Dance Club on Friday, August 25 at the South Windsor Community Center. The dance is scheduled from 7-9:30 p.m. Caller: Suptei Rogers; Cuer; Roy Williams. For more information and directions, speak to Fred Rick. More information is available online at <http://fhrick.net/SWSDC/EndofSummerBash2006.pdf>

CASDC dance in October

CASDC is sponsoring a dance on Sunday, October 22 from 1-6p.m. The dance will be held at the New Horizons in Farmington featuring local callers and cuers. Admission is \$10.00; Pat Powers has the ribbons and more information.

Next Year's Schedule Ready

Programmer Burt Starkey has put the final touches on next year's schedule and it looks like another great year for dancing in Windham. The 2006/07 schedule is included in the back of the newsletter.

Ledyard Folds on June 10

The Ledyard Squares Club is folding. Their final dance is on Saturday, June 10 at the Ledyard Senior Center in Gales Ferry. Jim Ryans will call his last dance before retiring and Steve Garrett will be the cuer. The dance is free and will mark the closing of the club.

Plus Workshops Continue into the Summer

Bob Smith is currently conducting Plus classes/workshops at the North End Senior Center in East Hartford every Wednesday evening from 7:30-9:30 thru May 24. Bill Mager will take over the class and continue throughout the summer beginning on June

7. The classes are sponsored by South Windsor, but dancers from all clubs are welcome. For more information, see Fred Rick or check the website for directions at <http://fhrick.net/SWSDC/Lessons.html>.

First Thursday Summer Rounds Party in East Hartford

South Windsor is sponsoring summer Round Dance parties during the summer on the first Thursday of each month thru August. The next dance is scheduled for Thursday, June 1 from 7-9 p.m. Steve Garrett is cuing. For more information, speak to Fred Rick or go to <http://fhrick.net/SWSDC/Lessons.html>.

CASDC News

By Frank Lussier

The May **CASDC Board Meeting** is scheduled for Sunday, May 21, and not May 14 as listed in the May Dance Listing. May 14 is Mothers' Day. Your scheduler goofed.

Central Valley's 38th Anniversary Dance will be held on Saturday, June 17, and not on May 20 as previously listed.

Cheshire Cats theme for their Sunday, May 21 dance is *Hot Dogs & Baseball*.

The **Shorliners** will hold a Plus Level dance at 8 PM on Tuesday, May 30, at the Guilford Community Center on Church Street in Guilford with Dave Hass calling and Sue Lucibello cueing.

Contra Dances

The May Shindig at the **Powder Mill Barn** will be this coming Sunday, May 21 (note: *third* Sunday of the month) 7 - 10 PM. Admission \$8. Light refreshments provided, dancers are encouraged to bring goodies to share. In addition to contras, Ralph Sweet will call fun squares (no lessons needed). Dress in casual attire (no square dance clothes). Live music by the "Barn Band" with Ralph Sweet Calling. Directions to the Barn: From I-91, take Exit 47E, go about 2.5 miles. Take a RIGHT onto South Maple St (Valero Mart on Left, center of Hazardville). The barn is #32, at the bottom of the hill on the right just before the bridge. Tel. 860-749-4494; e-mail Ralphsweet@aol.com, or see the Barn website www.powdermillbarn.com

The next dance of the 2005-2006 **Quiet Corner Contra Dance** (QCCD) season is coming up Saturday June 3 at 8pm (teach at 7:30pm) with Steve Holland calling and live music provided by *Rambling Pitchfork*. Dances are held at the Chaplin Grange in Chaplin, CT. QCCD hopes that you can make this next dance of the 2005-2006

season; they are also asking people to bring a little something to share during the break. For more information contact QCCD Coordinator Rich Donovan by e-mail at donovr@yahoo.com or call 860 455 1385.

In June, we go for a Leis Affair!

Our June dance is on Friday, June 9 (the second Friday of the month) at the Sweeney School 8-10:15, Rounds begin at 7:30. This is our "Hawaiian Night" dance so break out the leis and that grass skirt you've been saving! Caller: Bill Mager; cuer: Bev Mackay. **Hosts:** Chuck & Noreen Morgan. **Sandwiches:** Elaine Macke & Zoe Leibowitz; **Fruit:** Jeanne Starkey, Alma Derway & Noreen Morgan

In September We Start all Over Again!

Our next regular dance is on Friday, September 15 at the Sweeney School. Refreshment assignments and other details TBA. Caller: Bill Mager; cuer: Bev Mackay.

See Next Page for our 2006/07 Schedule!



WINDHAM WHIRLERS DANCE SCHEDULE 2006/2007

Location: Sweeney School, 60 Oak Hill Road, Willimantic, CT (directions on back)

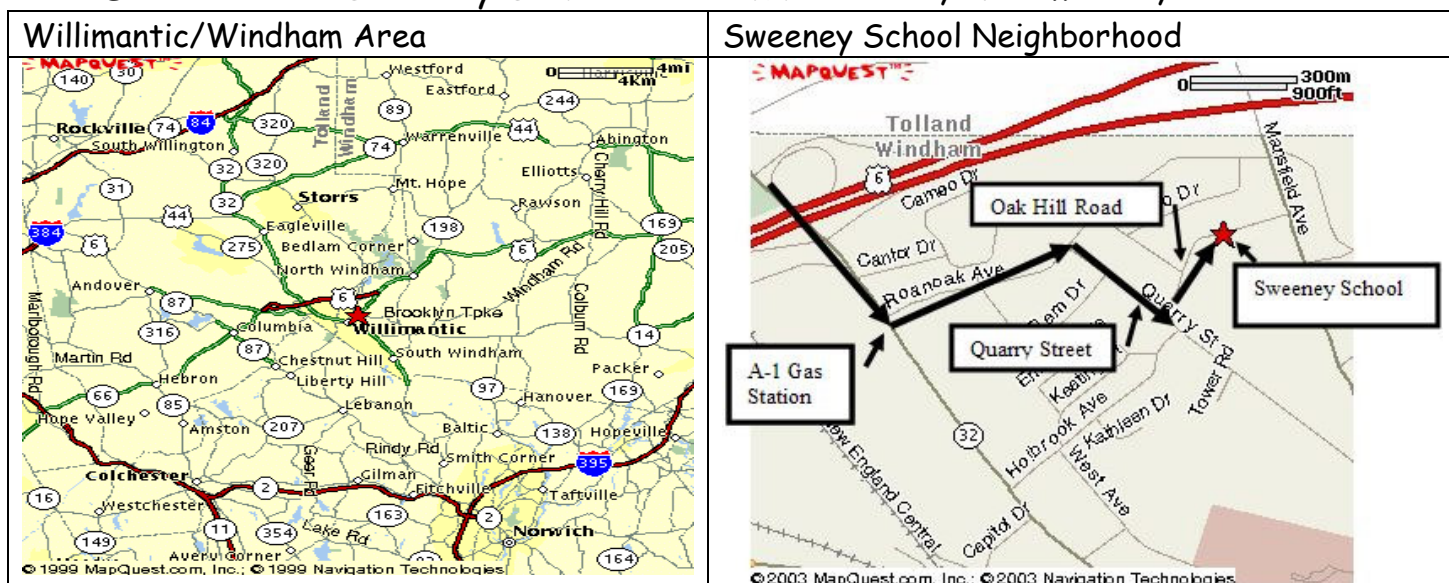
Time/Day: time: Friday evenings 8-10:30 p.m. 7:30 Rounds

| Date | Level | Caller | Cuer |
|---|---------|----------------|----------------|
| September 15 | MS/Plus | Bill Mager | Bev Mackay |
| October 20 | Plus | Don Beck | Bev Mackay |
| November 17 | Plus | Jim Denegris | Kathy Bryant |
| December 15 | Plus | John Hendron | Bev Mackay |
| January 19 | Plus | Everett Mackin | Steve Garrett |
| February 16 | Plus | Bill Mager | Kathy Bryant |
| March 16 | Plus | Jim Denegris | Bev Mackay |
| <i>April Dance at the Canterbury Community Center!</i> | | | |
| April 20 | Plus | Everett Mackin | Bev Mackay |
| <i>Club of the Month (East) for May!</i> | | | |
| May 18 | Plus | Bob Smith | Bev Mackay |
| June 8 | Plus | John Hendron | Birgit Maguire |

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 CASDC Reps: Pat Powers (860) 267-8529 & Alice Leibowitz (860) 956-9299
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See back for directions

Directions to Sweeney School: 60 Oak Hill Road, Willimantic, Connecticut



East of Willimantic: Rte. 6 West to Rte. 32 South

LEFT on to Rte. 32 South, continue one block past the second traffic light to Roanoak Avenue (the CITGO Gas Station is on the corner). LEFT on Roanoak Avenue. Continue on Roanoak Avenue to the SECOND stop sign (Quarry Street). RIGHT onto Quarry Street, continue on Quarry Street approximately 1/4 mile to Oak Hill Road. LEFT on to Oak Hill Road. The road curves to the right approximately 1/4 mile ahead at the Sweeney School, which is on the RIGHT.

West of Willimantic: U.S. Rte. 84 East to U.S. Rte. 384 East.

After passing exit 5, get in the left lane. Follow the signs to Rte. 44 East. Continue on Rte. 44. East to Rte. 31. RIGHT onto Rte. 31 South to Rte. 32. RIGHT onto Rte. 32 South. Continue on Rte. 32 South. Continue past the junction with Rte. 6. The first traffic light after Rte. 6 is at Shaw's. One block past Shaw's is Roanoak Avenue (the CITGO Gas Station is on the corner). LEFT on Roanoak Avenue. Continue on Roanoak Avenue to the SECOND stop sign (Quarry Street). RIGHT onto Quarry Street, continue on Quarry Street approximately 1/4 mile to Oak Hill Road. LEFT on to Oak Hill Road. The road curves to the right approximately 1/4 mile ahead at the Sweeney School, which is on the RIGHT.

South of Willimantic

Rte. 32 North to the "Frog Bridge" RIGHT onto the bridge, which leads into Jackson Street. Jackson Street to Prospect Street (2nd light after getting off the bridge). LEFT on to Prospect Street to Mansfield Avenue (Prospect Street ends at Mansfield Avenue). RIGHT on to Mansfield Avenue to Oak Hill Road. LEFT on to Oak Hill Road. The Sweeney School is on the LEFT.

North of Willimantic: From U.S. Rte. 84

Exit 68 Tolland/University of Connecticut. At the end of the ramp, RIGHT onto Rte. 195 South. Continue on 195 South until the intersection with Rte. 32. RIGHT onto Rte. 32 South. Continue on Rte. 32 South for approximately 12 miles. Continue past the junction with Rte. 6. The first traffic light after Rte. 6 is at Shaw's. One block past Shaw's is Roanoak Avenue (the CITGO Gas Station is on the corner). LEFT on Roanoak Avenue. Continue on Roanoak Avenue to the SECOND stop sign (Quarry Street). RIGHT onto Quarry Street, continue on Quarry Street approximately 1/4 mile to Oak Hill Road. LEFT on to Oak Hill Road. The road curves to the right approximately 1/4 mile ahead at the Sweeney School, which is on the RIGHT.