

## CALENDAR

### MVFD Events

March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

**Regular Dance** (beginners, 7 PM)

March 13, 2:30 PM, **Ethnic Sunday**

April. 7, 14, 21, 27

**Regular Dance** (beginners, 7 PM)

April 10, **MVDC Honor Dance**, 2:00 PM. (Replaces April Ethnic Sunday.)

April 28-May 1, **Bulgarian Workshop**, Petur Iliev. Live music by Kolorit.

May 5, 12, 19, 26

**Regular Dance** (beginners, 7 PM)

May 8, 2:30 PM, **Ethnic Sunday**

May 19, **MVFD Open House**. Requests & teaching. Free. 7-10 PM.

**Informal Folk Dance Classes**, most Saturday mornings at Dot Santi's house. Check Thursday announcements for times, or call Ed Anderson, 294- 8628.

### Other Events

April 1 only. **CITYFOLK Contra Dance** at the Pavilion. 8:00 PM, instruction 7:30 PM. \$6, 12 & under free. The Timbrevolves with Carol Ormand. (No more dances till September.)

### Scottish Dancing – Flying Ghillies

Intermediate class, Mondays at 7:30 PM, Shroyer Road Baptist Church

Beginner class, Tuesdays at 7:30 PM, Rosewood Arts Ctr., Kettering

### Columbus Balkan Night Dance

**Parties**. 8–11 PM. Details at [robertsnider.com/BalkanNight](http://robertsnider.com/BalkanNight):

March 26, Emerald Isle Party

April 23, Spring Fever Party

May 13-15, **A World A'Fair**. Dayton Convention Center. For details, see [www.aworldafair.org](http://www.aworldafair.org).

## OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

### MVFD Council

**Chairperson:** .....Bill Vernon

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### Committee Assignments

Miami Valley Dance Council and

Pavilion Support Committee

representative .... Lina Considine

Program Committee

.....Chair:.... Rose Vernon

.....Jessica Blackburn

..... Wendy Chou

..... Sharon Hsu

..... Beth Mast

..... Janifer Tsou

Recordings & Equipment Maintenance

.....Eddie Cordray

Orientation Class..... Leslie Hyll

..... Harry Khamis

..... John Pappas

Kitchen..... Eleanor Woolley

Refreshments..... Dot Santi

Publicity ..... Dolores Brooks

Sunshine Committee ..Gitta Reck

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March 2005

# The News



## Bulgarian Workshop

with Petur Iliev

April 29 – May 1

Live music by

Kolorit and Hajde



**It's coming soon: the 42<sup>nd</sup> Tri-City folkdance workshop! A master teacher, not one but two bands, an informative culture corner, a delicious dinner, and a tempting shop. Here's the schedule:**

- ❖ **Friday, April 29: Dance party, music by Hajde, requests taken.**
- ❖ **Saturday, April 30: Morning and afternoon workshops with Petur. Catered dinner and culture corner. Evening dance party with live music by Kolorit.**
- ❖ **Sunday, May 1: Morning and afternoon workshops with Petur.**

**You can attend any of the events individually – or sign up for the weekend package (including syllabus) for \$60 and save \$17! Get your registration form in soon, and brush off your favorite costume for the Saturday evening party.**



⌘ SEE THE EVENTS CALENDAR ON THE BACK PAGE. ⌘

⌘ NOTE: FALL WORKSHOP OCTOBER 29-30! ⌘

### ☞ Annual Meeting

The 2005 MVFD Annual Meeting was held on January 9<sup>th</sup>. Minutes were accepted and the treasurer reported us to be solvent (in large part thanks to the Croatian workshop). The committee reports, only 1/3 of which were made by Leslie Hyll, showed us to be in good shape. There was considerable discussion of how we can best honor longtime members who are no longer active, followed by mass demonstrations in favor of MVFD's nominees for MVDC Honor Roll Dancers of the Year, Lou and Nancy Hyll. Fortunately, Auggie Auckerman, President of the MVDC, was present to announce that the Hylls had been elected. Members eventually recovered enough to return to business and elect the MVFD officers for the coming year. Patty Gehring joined the Council, Harry Khamis left it, and offices were shuffled (see back page). As always, the potluck was great!

### ☞ The (New) Chair Squeaks

Just a reminder about etiquette. Sometimes we get excited when a set dance is announced, rush over for a good spot, and crowd in. Mea culpa – I've done it myself. Let's remember to respect each other. Cutting in – i.e., taking a place in front of dancers already in line for set dances – can create bad feelings. Please ask if you're not sure whether someone's in position. Otherwise, move to the end of the set and take your place there. That's true for most line dances too. There are more tips at our website, [www.daytonfolkdance.com/mvfd](http://www.daytonfolkdance.com/mvfd).

—Bill Vernon

### ☞ Program Committee Change

As of March 31, the Program Committee has changed completely (see the back page). Rose Vernon is the new Chair; please see her, or another member, if you have suggestions.

### ☞ Miami Valley Dance Council Honor Couple

For the third time in 30 years, MVFD members have been selected as the Miami Valley Dance Council's Honor Roll Dancers. Lou and Nancy Hyll are the deserving recipients. To celebrate, MVFD will host the Council's Honor Dance on April 10th. The Hylls will also be recognized by the Ohio State Corporation of Dance Clubs at the Buckeye Dance Convention in May. A certificate describing the Hylls' contributions to dance in Dayton will be posted on the Honor Roll wall in the Pavilion.

Lou and Nancy began dancing traditional squares in the late 40's / early 50's. Through the years they also explored folk, round, contra, historical, clogging, and line dancing. As recreational dance leaders, they presented hundreds of beginner programs, introducing thousands of non-dancers to recreational dance, and encouraged fledgling dance leaders.

During their 34 years with MVFD, Lou and Nancy have supported the club in many ways. They have provided us teaching, programs, syllabi, articles, costumes, equipment, advice, and refreshments – not to mention two involved dancers. They truly deserve this award. ***Congratulations!!***

### ☞ Safety (and Etiquette) Note

It is a rare event, but a couple of times the person closing up the Pavilion has been unable to start his/her car – and there was no one left to help. As a courtesy, if you are the next-to-last person leaving, please do not drive off until you are sure that the last person leaving has gotten his/her car started.

—Ed Anderson

### ☞ New Member/New Editor

Introducing myself.... I moved here last August after 26 years outside the Washington, DC area. (Why? Decent weather, charming affordable houses, and lots of culture –plus a reasonable-sized job market.) I did my most intense folkdancing before that, in Boston, with MIT's Balkan group. I also played with a folk orchestra.

I'm hoping to learn all the current MVFD dances, and maybe revive a few oldies. I'd particularly like to get more people singing as they dance – it's fun to know whether you're flirting with your neighbor, lamenting your marriage, recounting a battle, or hymning the joys of agriculture.

Among my other interests (besides getting my old house into shape) are non-dance folksinging, non-folk dancing, reading, gardening, and (some-day) quilting. Rearing my daughter Chrysantha, now a junior at the College of Wooster, has distracted me from all of those in the recent past. (Well, work too. I've mostly been a scientific or technical editor and writer, or a study or project manager. Anybody got a job lead?)

### ☞ More Chances to Dance

**April 9:** MVFD members will be performing demonstration dances at Wright State University for its International Club. *Dancers needed!* See Ed Anderson to volunteer.

**April 10:** Note that the MV Folk Dancers are hosting the Honor Dance this year, honoring all MV Dance Clubs' Honor Roll Dancers but especially our own Lou and Nancy Hyll. This dance, from 2 to 5 PM, will replace our April Ethnic Sunday. Square, round, and folk dances will be played; Leslie Hyll is coordinating.

**May 13-15:** MVFD members are needed for performing demonstration dances on at least two days of the A World A'Fair festival. Dancing for all follows. Please see Joanne Domrowski if you'd like to join in.

**May 19:** MVFD Open House, 7-10 PM, featuring the most-requested dances and teaching of easy/intermediate dances. Free – bring your friends and family! Refreshments.

### ☞ Dances to Come

Please see the calendar on the back for other upcoming events. Or how about a week or two at the Balkanfolk festival this summer, in the mountains of Bulgaria? (See posted flyer.)

### ☞ Words Available

Ellen, Patty, Eddie, and the MVFD website all have stashes of dance-song words, and will be happy to share the ones for your favorite dances. We'll also gladly explain the pronunciation to anyone who wants to start singing!