



Az Folk News

News of the Phoenix Friends of Old-Time Music

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Laura Light and George Paul- In Concert

Fiddler Laura Light and pianist-guitarist George Paul's music feature a rich variety of traditional dance music, gospel and swing, with occasional latin rhythms thrown in. Laura and George are staples of east coast old time festivals and the contra dance circuit, playing most often at Washington DC's celebrated Glen Echo Park.

The duo has performed in the U.S., Europe, Africa, South America and other places far from their Virginia home. They also appear and record with the Avant Gardeners. You can enjoy their incredible, exciting sounds at contra dances in Prescott- March 5, Tucson- March 6, and Phoenix- March 13.

On Friday, March 12, Laura and George will perform in a house concert at the Nieman's, 4455 E. Kachina Trail, 8 PM. Tickets are \$12, with all proceeds going to the musicians. Advance reservations are required, as seating is limited. Call 480-893-3328 to reserve a seat.

Plus they are the band for the Saturday, March 13 contra dance. You won't be able to sit still after listening to them on Friday, so come dance to their music the following evening!

Callers Workshop Continues Through April

Anyone who wants to learn about calling contra dances is welcome to attend these workshops, Mar. 22 and Apr. 19, 7-9 PM. Practice dancers are also welcome (and needed) to help callers practice calling actual dances. Call Judy Citron, 480-706-0146.

Phoenix's April 10 Dance At New Location

The Phoenix contra dance will be in Tempe on April 10 only. Kenilworth School will be closed for Spring Break, so the April dance will be at:

Steps Dance and Banquet Center
37 W. Southern Ave, Tempe
Southwest corner of Southern and Mill.

Turn 1/2 block south or west of the intersection, park and enter behind the building. Lesson- 7 PM, dance 7:30-11 PM. Child care will be provided.

4th Sunday Dances Continue in Phoenix

The 4th Sunday contra dances will continue through April at Phoenix Arthur Murray, 3-6 PM. There is no child care, but a great wood floor at these dances. See other side for more information.

English Country and Contra Dances

These plus a few Appalachian square dances happen on most Tuesday evenings in Phoenix. Dances are at the Community Center at 3435 W. Pinnacle Peak Rd., and are sponsored by the Phoenix Parks Dept. Call Archie, 602-938-7239 for info.

Cottonwood Dances End with April Potluck

Contra dances in Cottonwood will end for the summer in April. The April dance will be preceded by a potluck dinner starting at 5:30 PM. In May, dancers are encouraged to attend the May Madness Friday dance on May 14, which is open to the public. See other side for more info.

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Next newsletter
Deadline: April 26, 2004

Membership form for the Phoenix Friends of Old Time Music.

Please mail To: PFOTM PO Box 93567 Phoenix AZ 85048-3567

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

- Single: \$12 Address Change
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SPECIAL EVENTS

MAR. 6: SCHOOL OF THE REENACTOR, PHOENIX
www.wemakehistory.com.

MAR. 12: LAURA LIGHT + GEORGE PAUL CONCERT
House concert, 8 PM at the Nieman's, \$12. Advance reservations are required. Please call 480-893-3328

MAR. 22: CALLER'S WORKSHOP, PHOENIX (over)

APR. 3: 1864 REMEMBRANCE BALL, PHOENIX
Annual Civil War ball, adults- \$25, under 21- \$15,
www.wemakehistory.com.

APR. 19: CALLER'S WORKSHOP, PHOENIX (over)

MAY 14-16: MAY MADNESS, PRESCOTT
This weekend event is filling up. www.sharlot.org/madness

REGULAR DANCES

**PHOENIX 2nd Sat.- Mar. 13, Apr. 10*(special location)
4th Sun.- Mar. 28, Apr. 25**

Phoenix Friends of Old Time Music Contra Dance:

- 2nd Sat: Kenilworth School, 1210 N. 5th Ave. (near I-10 + 7th Ave.). Lesson at 7:00, dance 7:30-10:30 PM.
- *Apr 10: Steps Dance and Banquet Center, see other side.
- 4th Sun: Arthur Murray, 1210 E. Indian School (near Rte. 51 + Indian School Rd.). 3-6 PM.

\$8, \$6 for members, \$3 for dancers under 18. For info call Carl at 602-268-7181, Ron or Linda at 480-893-3328, go to members.cox.net/contradance, or email contraz04@cox.net.

MONTHLY POTLUCK DINNER, 1st. Mon.- Apr. 5, May 3, 7PM, Ron and Linda Nieman's, 4455 E. Kachina, Ahwatukee. Call Carl, Ron, or Linda (above) for info.

COTTONWOOD 3rd Sat.- Apr 17

Community dance at the Cottonwood Clubhouse (Civic Center) in old town Cottonwood, Potluck dinner at 5:30 PM, lesson at 6:30 (if needed), followed by dancing until 10PM. Contact Deb at 928-774-5936 for more info.

PRESCOTT 1st Fri.- Mar. 5, Apr 2, Apr. 24*

Folk Happens! Contra Dance, 7:30-10:30 PM, Prescott Activity Center, 824 E. Gurley St. Go to www.sharlot.org/madness, call Mike Wurtz at 928-713-8016 or email wurtz@sharlot.org. *Special date and place- check website.

FLAGSTAFF 1st Sat.- Mar. 6, Apr. 3, May 1*

Flagstaff Friends of Traditional Music Contra Dance in NAU's Ashurst Hall, 7:30 PM. \$6, \$5 for members. www.ffotm.net, call Laura at 928-526-6757 or Deb at 928-774-5936 for info. *May 1 also has a Community Dance 6 - 7:30 PM, children are encouraged to attend.

TUCSON 1st, 3rd, 5th Sat- Mar. 6, Mar. 20, Apr 3, Apr 17, May 1

Tucson Friends of Traditional Music Contra Dances: 8-11PM, intro at 7:30PM, \$7/\$6 TFTM members, \$5 students. Contact Marilyn Cleavinger, 520-795-2081, email office@tftm.org, or go to www.tftm.org. All dances are at First Church United Methodist, 915 E. 4th St.

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