



# AZ FOLK NEWS

News of the Phoenix Friends of Old-Time Music

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## Contra For Connoisseurs- April 11, 2:30-5

A special bonus contra dance will be held Saturday afternoon, April 11. In addition to the regular 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday contra dance in the evening, the Contra For Connoisseurs dance will be held from 2:30–5 PM at Kenilworth School, 1210 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave, Phoenix, 85003. Laila Lewis and Peg Hesley will be joined by ClusterFolk for an afternoon of intriguing and challenging contra dances, a treat for experienced dancers.

Following a dinner break, the dancing will continue at Kenilworth with the regular 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday Contra Dance. The lesson starts at 7 PM, with dancing 7:30 to 10:30 PM.

Admission for each dance is \$10, \$7 for members of AZ contra dance organizations. Go to [www.pfotm.org](http://www.pfotm.org) for more information. Housing may be available on Saturday night for out of town dancers. Contact Carl at [president@pfotm.org](mailto:president@pfotm.org) or 602-268-7181 for more info.

## “Ghost Town Chill Down” Dance in July

Do you remember the “Noon to Moon Dance” in Cottonwood last summer? Well, it hasn’t died; it’s just become a little bit scarier... now it’s the Ghost Town Chill Down, July 17 - 19, 2009, at the Historic “SPOOK HALL” in Jerome AZ. The weekend will feature Bob Isaacs from New Jersey, the Rhythm Rollers from the Pacific Northwest, plus Updraft, Peg Hesley and Laila Lewis.

This weekend of air conditioned dancing is on a fabulous wood floor in a classic hall in the historic mile high ghost town of Jerome! There will be contras, squares, couple dancing, and English Country Dancing... workshops and dances to delight all.

For more information, contact Deb at 928-774-5936 or [azwedance@gmail.com](mailto:azwedance@gmail.com).  
–Deb C.

## Invite Your Friends To A Contra Dance

Most people are introduced to contra dance through a friend. Business cards are now available for you to share with others who might be interested in attending a contra dance. The front of the card has the schedule, location and web address for the regular contra dances in Phoenix. The back of the card has similar information for other Arizona contra dances. The cards are available at the Saturday and Wednesday dances. Please share them with others who might enjoy contra dances.

## Still Time to Register For May Madness

This year’s May Madness is May 15-17, in Prescott, AZ. The weekend will feature callers Beth Molaro and Kari Usher and the bands Groovemongers and Privy Tippers. Space is still available for couples and single men. Registration forms and more info are available at [www.folkhappens.org](http://www.folkhappens.org), or by contacting Judy Norman at 623-979-4875 or [judy.norman@juno.com](mailto:judy.norman@juno.com).

## Is Your Membership Up To Date?

If you received this newsletter in the mail, the first line of your address label indicates if your membership is current. If you aren’t a member, please consider joining PFOTM. Your tax deductible donation helps pay for this newsletter, insurance (about \$1,000 for the year), and other expenses for contra dances in Phoenix. Thank you for supporting Phoenix Friends.

## No Phoenix Dances In July

There will not be any contra dances in Phoenix in July. This is a great time to become a ‘dance gypsy’, get out of the heat and check out other dances in the region. Confirm dates and locations with the local group before you go.

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Membership / change of address form for Phoenix Friends of Old Time Music.

Please mail to: PFOTM, 13236 N 7<sup>th</sup> St. Ste 4 #191, Phoenix AZ 85022

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Single: \$15

Address Change

Family: \$25

Tax Deductible Contribution (\$\_\_\_\_)

I’ll Volunteer (check all that apply):  Greeting/Door  Refreshments

Sound  Open Band  Special Events  Newsletter  \_\_\_\_\_

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### APRIL 11 CONTRAS FOR CONNOISSEURS

An afternoon of zesty and other contra dances for more experienced dancers, with callers Laila Lewis, Peg Hesley and ClusterFolk. See other side for more information.

### MAY 15 - 17 MAY MADNESS

Callers Beth Molaro and Kari Usher with the bands the Groovemongers and the Privy Tipplers. See other side.

### JUNE 17 FLAGSTAFF FOLK FESTIVAL DANCE

Contra dance featuring an open band of Festival musicians. [www.flagfolkfest.org](http://www.flagfolkfest.org) or 928-774-5936 for more info.

### JULY 17 - 19 GHOST TOWN CHILL DOWN, JEROME

A variety of national and locally known callers and bands will be at this weekend event. See other side.

### PHOENIX 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays, 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays

Phoenix Friends of Old Time Music Contra Dance at:

2<sup>nd</sup> Sat: Kenilworth School, 1210 N. 5th Ave. (at I-10), Phoenix, 85003. Lesson: 7PM, dance: 7:30-10:30 PM. \$10, \$7 for members, \$3 under 18.

4<sup>th</sup> Wed: Irish Cultural Center, 1106 N. Central Ave., Phoenix, 85004 7:30-10 PM. \$7

The Phoenix dance schedule through July 2009 is:

Sat. Apr. 11: *Contra for Connoisseurs* See other side

Sat. Apr. 11: Laila Lewis and ClusterFolk

Wed. Apr. 22: Peg Hesley and ClusterFolk

Sat. May 9: Kari Usher and Updraft

Wed. May 27: Deb Comly and ClusterFolk

Sat. June 13: Peg Hesley and ClusterFolk

Wed. June 24: To be announced and ClusterFolk

July: No Phoenix dances. Try other AZ contra dances.

For info go to [www.pfotm.org](http://www.pfotm.org) or call Ron and Linda at 480-893-3328, or Carl at 602-268-7181.

MONTHLY POTLUCK DINNER, 1<sup>st</sup> Mon.: May 4, June 1, 7PM, Call for location- 480-893-3328 or 602-268-7181

### COTTONWOOD 4/18, 6/20, 7/17-19 in Jerome, 8/15

Contra dances at the Cottonwood Clubhouse (Civic Center) in old town Cottonwood. Potluck dinner: 5:30 – 6:30, Lesson 6:30 – 7, Dance: 7:00 – 10:00 PM. \$5 [azwedance.googlepages.com](http://azwedance.googlepages.com). 928-774-5936 for more info.

### FLAGSTAFF 5/2, 6/6, 7/11, 8/1

Flagstaff Friends of Traditional Music Contra Dance NAU's Ashurst Hall, 7:30 PM. \$8, \$5 member/student. [www.ffotm.org](http://www.ffotm.org) or call Kris at 928-526-3020 for info.

### PRESCOTT 4/10, 5/8, 6/5, 7/3, 8/7

Folk Happens! Contra Dance, Grace Sparkes Activity Center, 824 E. Gurley St. Lesson 7:30, dance 8-10:30 PM. [www.folkhappens.org](http://www.folkhappens.org), Bruce 928-445-3496.

### TUCSON 4/18, 4/24, 5/13, 5/30, 6/6, 6/20,

Tucson Friends of Traditional Music (TFTM) Contra Dances, 1<sup>st</sup> United Methodist Church, 915 4<sup>th</sup> St. Lesson 7:30, dance 8-11PM. \$8 / \$7 members. Please bring clean shoes. Lorien at [contradance@tftm.org](mailto:contradance@tftm.org) or 520-591-2432, Dale 520-906-0352, [www.tftm.org](http://www.tftm.org).

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