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Branch Committee Purchases Defibrillator

By Mark Caplin

The RSCDS San Francisco Branch Committee has purchased an addition to the traditional first aid supplies available at monthly parties and branch events-a new defibrillator. Called an "AED" for Automated External Defibrillator, the device is designed to shock a stopped heart back to life. Called ventricular fibrillation, it is what happens when someone has a heart attack and suffers a cardiac arrest. The heart begins to quiver and does not pump blood efficiently. What the AED does is essentially "reboot" the heart and resets it back into a more productive rhythm. Combined with good CPR, it increases the person's likelihood of survival.

Perhaps you have noticed AED's in airports, sports fields, or maybe at your jobsite. The device is completely automatic. It is designed to be used by anyone, regardless if they have training or not. It requires no maintenance and does not need to be recharged. The unit was purchased



through Health Education Services who provided us with all the required documentation, a Medical Director, made sure that we are compliant with all applicable state and local regulations, and will be providing training on MAY 3 from Noon to four before the May monthly party in Alameda. I would like to encourage everyone to take this class. We need at least 10 people in order to put on the class. The cost per person is usually \$65 a person but the branch will pay \$30 of the cost for up to two people per class. After the training you will receive an American Heart Association certification card in CPR and AED. You can also take the class anywhere it is offered by either the Heart Association or American Red Cross. This is a huge step toward helping to save someone's life. It is something that we hope we never have to use, but, thanks to the efforts of the Branch Committee, the San Francisco Branch will be prepared.

So, to sign up for the class, look for flyers at the April Monthly party or at your class. Or just send a check for \$65 made out to RSCDS San Francisco Branch. Put "CPR" in the notes and send it to Mark Caplin, 20 Littlefield Terrace, San Francisco, CA 94107. If you have questions or comments just email me at sailmedic@earthlink.net or call me at 510-816-1405.

Beginners' Ball 2008

By Susan Scott

This year the Santa Rosa Class will once again present the Beginners' Ball to welcome and celebrate the new dancers of 2008. The date is June 21, 2008, with an earlier starting time of 7:00 p.m. The Ball retains its usual structure of a Grand March, a program designed to be beginner friendly but fun for all, and a buffet at the end of the evening. There will also be the now traditional champagne toast to the beginners with sparkling grape juice for those who don't drink or are too young for champagne.

Our band this year is the wonderful Wild Rose and the hall will be beautifully decorated with flowers and Charles Rennie Macintosh inspired creations. The hall is the charming Hermann Sons Hall in Petaluma CA. It's located at 860 Western Avenue.

This is a lively annual event enjoyed by all who have attended over the years. Please come and please encourage the new dancers in your class to come also. Join us for a delightful evening of Scottish dancing and maybe stay over to enjoy some of the wonderful things Sonoma County has to offer.

Look for flyers at the next monthly party, your local dance class or on the branch Web site. For more information or additional flyers contact Sandra Craig at 707-575-8328 or sandracraig47@yahoo.com.

Monthly Parties

May Monthly Party 7:30 p.m., Saturday, May 3, 2008 Alameda Masonic, 2312 Alameda Avenue, Alameda Host: Berkeley

Dance	Source	Type	Level
The Happy Meeting	29/9	$32 \mathbf{J} 2$	B/I
Bridge of Nairn+	13/11	32 S 3	I
Open the Door to Three	34/8	48 J 3	I
The Rose Garden+	Wendell/SF vol II	24 S 2	I
The Merry Lads of Ayr	1/12	32 R 3	B/I
Kingussie Flower	21/6	40 R 2	I
Cherrybank Gardens	Drewry/Bankhead 1	32 S 3	I
Let the Hackles Rise+	Drewry/Canadian	48 J 4	A
Rakes of Glasgow	11/11	32 S 3	В
J.B. Milne+	Foss/Angus Fitchet	32 R 3	A/I
The Wild Geese	24/3	32 J 3	В
My Friend Joe+	38/2	32 S 3	I
Polharrow Burn+	RSCDS 2007/Glend. 18	32 R 5	A/I
The Silver Tassie	RSCDS 1flt 30	32 S 3	I
Mrs. MacPherson of Inveran + new this month	Drewry/Bon Accord	32 R 3	I

June Monthly Party 6:30 p.m., Saturday, June 7, 2008 First Congregational Church, 900 High Street , Santa Cruz Hosts: Monterey/Santa Cruz

Dance	Source	Type	Level
Roaring Jelly+	Foss/Glendarroch 6	$32\mathbf{J}3$	B/I
The Rose Garden	Wendell/SF vol. II	24 S 2	I
Open the Door to Three	34/8	48 J 3	I
Bridge of Nairn	13/11	32 S 3	I
Mrs. MacPherson of Inveran	Drewry/Bon Accord	32 R 3	I
Kingussie Flower	21/6	40 R 2	I
This Is No' My Ain Hoose+	15/9	32 S 3	A/I
Let the Hackles Rise	Drewry/Canadian	48 J 4	A
Rakes of Glasgow	11/11	32 S 3	В
J. B. Milne	Foss/Angus Fitchet	32 R 3	A/I
The Wild Geese	24/3	32 J 3	В
Strathcare+	Miller/Ladies of Dunsse	32 S 2	I
Festival Fling	44/7	32 R 3	I
My Friend Joe	38/2	32 S 3	I
Wind That Shakes the Barley+	Duthie/8SCD	32 R 3	B/I

How To Get There:

ALAMEDA MASONIC TEMPLE (between Park and Oak Streets).

FROM THE SOUTH: Take 880 North, exit at High Street (south of the Bay Bridge) and drive west across the High Street bridge into Alameda. Continue on High Street for about six blocks and turn right on Central Avenue. Go for another 10 blocks to Park Street (with traffic light, past Park Avenue). Turn left on Park Street, go one block and turn right on Alameda Avenue. The Masonic Temple is on the left about ½ block before Oak Street.

FROM THE NORTH: Take 880 South and exit at 23rd Avenue. When you have crossed the bridge going west, you will be on Park Avenue. Continue on Park until you come to Alameda Avenue and turn right. There is free parking after 6:00 p.m. in a city lot right across the street from the Temple, but accessible only from Central Avenue, one block east. You can turn right from Alameda onto Oak, right on Central and right into the lot, after about ½ block-or just drive straight across Park the lot after about ½ block, and walk to the Temple at the far end of the lot. The party will be in the Banquet Room on the fourth floor. There is an elevator.

First Congregational Church

FROM Highway 17 S: take Highway 1 north when you get to Santa Cruz. Turn right on Highland Ave. After two blocks, turn left on High St. The church will be on your right in less than one mile. Parking is plentiful.

+ new this month

SANTA CRUZ CLASS REPORT, '07-08

by Judy Belden and Dotty Lieber, March, 2008

There were several changes for the Santa Cruz class this year. We are meeting on Wednesdays, and we are using the upstairs room at the Congregational Church. This was our first year of having three teachers, Sara Gratiot, Paula Jacobson, and Juliet Davoren, each teaching for about three months; there was also a separate summer session.

Since Sara has just retired from full-time school teaching, we want to make sure she has enough to keep her busy! Sara taught in the Fall, with much energy and good humor, making up dances on the spot to teach a particular figure. Sara devised a wonderful dance especially for the Santa Cruz Class, "A Turn in Time": "devised by Sara Gratiot, 2007 for the Santa Cruz Class, a group of energetic dancers who love to turn and flip whenever possible."

In addition to teaching our middle "semester," Paula was also the teacher for the summer session in 2007. Paula prepared the class for the Valentine's Ball, which many class members attended. Paula also prepared the class's spectacular adjudication group at Pleasanton in 2007, and also prepared the group which demonstrated at St. Andrews Church in Aptos in November, '07. Paula coached a demonstration group for a performance at a dance event at UCSC in March '08 that was produced by Tandy Beal. As always, our group did very well and were very well received!

Our current teacher, till the end of May, is Juliet Davoren. Juliet has put together a new sound system to use at class, which incorporates part of Howard Leach's old sound system, which Juliet inherited. The system also has a very modern component, a computer on which the tunes are loaded. It's working very well as Juliet teaches us dances from Monthly Party and other programs.

The Santa Cruz class has happily absorbed several dancers from the former Soquel class. We now regularly have two sets, and sometimes even more. We put on two demonstrations at the Cabrillo Farmers' Market in Fall, '07 which resulted in a new class member (and several sore feet). We also now have Alison Ward, formerly from the Livermore class, currently a student at UCSC. She is a lively addition to the class.

Our Summer by the Sea Dance will be coming up in August! Watch for the announcement of the program and other details.

CELEBRATE BAY AREA NATIONAL DANCE WEEK

FRIDAY APRIL 25 - SUNDAY MAY 4 2008

Bay Area National Dance Week 2008 begins Friday April 25 with a Kick-Off Conga Line around Union Square in San Francisco from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. There will be a group of us in Scottish attire participating, to publicize our Branch BANDW 2008 events and all our Branch activities and classes. Come join us if you can – it's fun!

That same evening, Friday April 25, our Branch events begin with Youth and Adult classes in Berkeley and a Family class in Livermore. Livermore also holds an open adult class on Monday evening April 28. On Tuesday evening April 29, The Dunsmuir Scottish Dancers offer an open rehearsal in Richmond, and on Thursday evening May 1, the San Francisco class will host a Scottish ceilidh, a dance party with live music where all dances will be taught. On Saturday May 3, the Branch offers a workshop for new dancers from 6-7 pm in Alameda, right before the Monthly Party in the same hall. New dancers from the workshop are invited to attend the Monthly Party free as spectators, and to join in a couple of easy dances if they wish. All events are FREE for new dancers, and the open rehearsal and the Alameda workshop are FREE for everyone. Details with addresses and contact numbers for all these events are available from the Branch Calendar in this same issue, from the links to BANDW 2008 on the www.rscds-sf.org and Branch website. www.bayareandw.org

Experienced dancers, please spread the word about these events; it's a great way for those not yet initiated to Scottish dancing to see what it's all about. And do attend these events yourself, to support new dancers. Your participation will be greatly appreciated at all events, and in particular at the Alameda workshop, which is hosted by the Branch as a whole rather than by a particular class or group. Invite some friends who haven't yet discovered the joys of Scottish dancing to meet you at the workshop from 6-7 pm, get your parking spot early, and you'll be right on time for the party!

You might also want to make a day of it in Alameda on May 3 by attending the Branch AED/CPR workshop held in the same hall from 12-4 pm, then meeting some friends at the workshop from 6-7, and staying for the monthly party!

Any questions? Contact Elizabeth Wright, 415 647-5871, ewright@sfsu.edu or ewright@sfsu.edu or ewright@sfsu.edu or ewright@sfsu.edu or ewright6520@sbcglobal.net <a href="mailto:e

Branch Committee News

Reported by Tom Ward, Recording Secretary

Events

Many of the Branch's Classes will be participating in the Bay Area National Dance Week in early May. The Berkeley Class is hosting the monthly party on May 3 in Alameda, and has adapted the party program to bring in participants of BANDW. In support, the Branch has authorized the creation of \$10 coupons for BANDW visitors on the 3rd, redeemable as a discount for the first term of beginner class tuition through the end of 2008. So, if you have any friends who would like to see and try Scottish Dancing, invite them out for some participation and a fun introduction.

May 3rd will also be the Branch's first organized effort to provide training in CPR and in the use of the Branch's new Automatic Electronic Defibrillator, which will be available for emergency use at all Branch-wide events. While the AED is supposed to be "fool-proof", the Branch Committee has decided it is in everyone's interest that we have a cadre of folks who have some level of training and feel comfortable with helping out in an emergency. The Branch is subsidizing up to \$30 of the CPR/ AED class fee for up to two members of each Class. If you're interested, please contact the program coordinator, Mark Caplin.

Youth Weekend West is an annual event that has, historically, mostly been held in western Canada or our own Pacific Northwest. For the first time, on May 29th to 31st of 2009, YWW will be held in the San Francisco Bay Area, hosted by the Berkeley Class of the Branch. The event will include a Friday night Welcome Dance, classes on Saturday and Sunday, a ceilidh on Saturday night, and the Thistle Ball on Sunday afternoon. As the name suggests, the event is geared toward "youth" aged 12 to 30ish, and typically draws in young families from across the West. The Branch is very much looking forward to showing young dancers a warm welcome and a rousing good time next spring. Catherine and Chris Berner are leading the charge on this effort – drop them a line if you're interested in helping out.

Reports

Insurance: The reports from the Insurance Coordinator have been brief and positive, owing to her crafting of a smoothlyrunning system. All class and upcoming special event insurance certificates are in place.

Corresponding Secretary: The Society's Annual General Meeting will be on November 7 to 9, 2008 in Perth, Scotland. The San Francisco Branch, with over 390 members, is entitled to send eight delegates to the AGM this year. The AGM is part of a larger weekend of dance and celebration bringing in hundreds of participants from around the world. This year's AGM will likely continue to address the issue of Society finances and the difficulties with coping with the Pound Sterling exchange rate. If you would like to represent our Branch as a Delegate in Scotland this fall please contact Donna Weidenfeller.

Class Managers: The Class Manager's meeting was held on March 1st. There was a healthy exchange of experience from across the Branch, and a guidebook for Class Managers is being assembled for publication on the Branch website.

Treasurer: The Branch Committee has approved the Treasurer's proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009. The Budget is based on Income of \$28,000, mostly from membership dues and party revenue, Membership Service expenses of \$15,000, mostly for Society dues and insurance, Administrative Expenses of \$2,900, mostly for rental and publicity, and Branch Program expenses of \$9,050, mostly for party expenses and scholarships. Overall, the budget targets an Administrative Surplus of \$900.

Other Items

Volunteers: The Branch is seeking new volunteers for a few important roles. Larry Wakeman is continuing to carry on as Stage Operations Manager, but would like to not have to carry on so much. Susie Langdon Kass is has offered to continue as the Publicity Coordinator, but would like to have an understudy to learn the ropes and eventually take over that role. Sandra Fritts would also like to have a volunteer to start absorbing her role as Monthly Party site coordinator after the end of this spring season. Please let the Branch Committee know if you are interested in making a Much Appreciated Contribution of your Very Valuable Time.

Next Meeting: The next Branch Committee Meeting will be on at 12:30 PM June 7th at the home of Dotty Lieber in Santa Cruz. If you'd like to attend, we would be most pleased to have you – you can see how the Committee works, and you might find an interesting volunteer task to take on. Please let one of us know if you would like to join in, so that we can make sure there are enough chairs and noshes!

The New World Scottish Dancers are looking for new members.

If you would like to be part of an eclectic group of dancers, learn and perfect interesting and challenging dances, and perform at a variety of local events from Highland games to Burns' Night suppers and international festivals, come to an open audition with NWSD on Thursday, May 22 at 8 pm. The audition and performance team practice are held at the Diablo Light Opera Company, 1948 Oak Park Road, in Pleasant Hill.

For more information, contact Lori Howard at 925-934-1928 or fireknight1@aol.com

RSCDS-SF CALENDAR OF EVENTS • 2007-08

Revised 4/1/2008 • Compiled by Dotty Lieber: dottyl@cruzio.com

APRIL 2008

- 5, Sa, 1 PM . BRANCH COMMITTEE MEETING, in San Jose. Info: 831-423-6165 or dottyl@cruzio.com
- 5, Sa:7:30 PM MONTHLY PARTY at Mountain View Masonic Hall, 840 Church St., Mountain View, San Jose Class hosting. dancingsands@hotmail.com
- 19, Sa: 1:30 Video, 2 PM start: TEACHERS COMMITTEE MEETING at Pat O'Brien's, South San Francisco. Kathy Allen: kathyallien@gmail.com
- 25, Fr: 12 noon 1 PM: BAY AREA NATIONAL DANCE WEEK KICK-OFF CONGA LINE, Union Square, San Francisco. Come in Scottish attire, bring flyers about your class or event! Elizabeth Wright ewright@sfsu.edu or 415-647-5871
- 25, Fr: 6:30 7:30 PM INTRODUCTION TO SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING FOR YOUTH at All Soul's Episcopal Parish, 2220 Cedar St. at Spruce, Berkeley. Teacher: Mary McQuilliams. A Bay Area National Dance Week (BANDW) Event – FREE FOR ANYONE NEW TO SCOTTISH DANCING – No Experience Necessary! Minimum age 7 years. Mary McQuilliams, 415-716-7999 or boldmary@aol.com http://www.reeljig.com/Berkeley
- 25, Fr: 7-9 PM: SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE FOR FAMILIES, at Valley Dance Theatre, 2247 2nd St., Suite B, Livermore. Teacher: Sheena MacQueen. A Bay Area National Dance Week (BANDW) Event FREE FOR ANYONE NEW TO SCOTTISH DANCING No Experience Necessary! Information: www.livermorescd.org 925-447-1833 or macqs@comcast.net
- 25, Fr: 7:45 10 PM INTRODUCTION TO SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING, at Grace North Church, 2138 Cedar St. at Walnut, Berkeley. Teacher: Fred DeMarse. . A Bay Area National Dance Week (BANDW) Event FREE FOR ANYONE NEW TO SCOTTISH DANCING No Experience Necessary! http://www.reeljig.com/Berkeley Information: Jane Samuelson, 707-746-0810
 <a href="https://www.reeljig.com/Berkeley@reel
- 25, Fr: 8 PM SAN FRANCISCO SCOTTISH FIDDLERS CONCERT at the Valley Center for the Performing Arts, Holy Names University, 3500 Mountain Boulevard, Oakland. Info and tickets available at www.sfscottishfiddlers.org/. 510-409-4111 or diane_heise@yahoo.com
- 27, Su: 3 PM SAN FRANCISCO SCOTTISH FIDDLERS CONCERT at Jackson Theater, Sonoma Country Day School, 4400 Day School Place, Santa Rosa. . Info and tickets available at www.sfscottishfiddlers.org/. 510-409-4111 or diane-heise@yahoo.com
- 28, Mo: 8 10 PM: SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE CLASS, at Veteran's Hall, 522 South L Street, Livermore. Teacher:

- Sheena MacQueen. . A Bay Area National Dance Week (BANDW) Event FREE FOR ANYONE NEW TO SCOTTISH DANCING No Experience Necessary! Information at www.livermorescd.org 925-447-1833 or macqs@comcast.net
- 29, Tu: 7-9 PM CROCKETT CLASS PARTY! All are invited. Live Music. Crockett Community Center, 850 Pomona St., Crockett. For info contact Sandee, sandra-sue@msn.com or Lori, fireknight1@aol.com
- 29, Tu 7:30 9:30 PM THE DUNSMUIR SCOTTISH DANCERS OPEN REHEARSAL, San Pablo Sportsman's Hall, 5220 Glenn Ave at Ventura St., Richmond. . A Bay Area National Dance Week (BANDW) Event FREE ADMISSION! Info: Shari Salis, 510-558-8644, ssalis@bael.com_www.dunsmuirscottishdancers.org/upcomingevents/htm

MAY 2008

- 1, Th: 8 10 PM SCOTTISH CEILIDH MUSIC AND DANCE PARTY at Noe Valley Ministry, 1021 Sanchez at 23rd St., San Francisco. . A Bay Area National Dance Week (BANDW) Event FREE FOR ANYONE NEW TO SCOTTISH DANCING No Experience Necessary! Elizabeth Wright, 415-647-5871. ewright@sfsu.edu, www.sf-scottishdancers.org/
- 3, Sa, 12 noon 4 PM: CPR/AED TRAINING sponsored by RSCDS-SF Branch. Alameda Masonic Hall, 2312 Alameda Ave. at Park St., Alameda. Information: Mark Caplin, 510-816-1405 or sailmedic@earthlink.net
- 3, Sa, 6 7 PM INTRODUCTION TO SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING, A FREE WORKSHOP FOR NEW DANCERS at Alameda Masonic Hall, 2312 Alameda Ave at Park St., Alameda. Teacher: David Newitt. A Bay Area National Dance Week (BANDW) Event FREE FOR ANYONE NEW TO SCOTTISH DANCING No Experience Necessary! New Dancers will also be admitted Free to observe the Monthly Party beginning at 7:30 PM in the same hall! Elizabeth Wright, 415-647-5871. ewright@sfsu.edu www.rscds-sf.org
- 3, Sa: 7:30 PM MONTHLY PARTY AND AGM at Alameda Masonic Hall, 2312 Alameda Ave.at Park St., Alameda. Berkeley Classes hosting. dancingsands@hotmail.com
- 17, Sa, & 18, Su: LIVERMORE SCOTTISH GAMES:
 Michael Gregg, 925-413-3633 or
 gregg128@comcast.net_www.livermoregames.com
- 27, Tu: 7-9 PM CROCKETT CLASS PARTY! All are invited. Live Music. Crockett Community Center, 850 Pomona St., Crockett. For info contact Sandee, sandrasue@msn.com_or Lori, fireknight1@aol.com
- 31, Sa: CHILDRENS' BALL, by invitation only. Details to follow.

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RSCDS EVENTS ELSEWHERE • 2007 - 08

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For more information on these and other events, try the Inter-City Scot: www.intercityscot.org/eventList.php

MARCH 2008

28, Fr – 30, Su: VISCDS 32ND WORKSHOP & BALL WEEK-END in Victoria, BC, sponsored by Van Isle Dancers. **Alan Twhigg**, Gail Michener and Rosemary Coupe teaching, music by Ken Nattrass and Ron Krug. Jill Leslie, Registrar, 250-391-3908 or jleslie@uoguelph.ca or www.viscds.ca

APRIL 2008

19, Sa: SEATTLE BRANCH SPRING WORKSHOP & DANCE, sponsored by Seattle Branch, RSCDS. Workshops taught by **Sara Gratiot**. Information: www.rscds-seattle.org

MAY 2008

- 3, Sa: A GRAND BALL, Celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the Orange County Branch, at the Womens Club of Orange. Music by Muriel Johnson and Keith Smith. More info at: www.rscds-oc.org
- 9, Sa & 10, Su: PEARL HOLMBERG WORKSHOP FOR TEACHERS AND MUSICIANS in Vancouver, BC www.rscdsvancouver.org AND THISTLE BALL IN Vancouver BC. Contact Sandy Caruth at 604-929-6884

JUNE 2008

28 Sa: TRUCKEE WORKSHOP AND DANCE in Truckee, CA., sponsored by Silver State Scottish Country Dancers. Workshops taught by Elaine Brunken, music by Thistle Glen. Info: Dave at 775-825-6867 or allenortep@gmail.com

JULY 2008

- 7, Mo 11, Fr: ENGLISH-SCOTTISH SESSION at Pinewoods Camp , sponsored by Country Dance and Song Society. www.cdsboston.org/ess
- 8, Tu: PRE-GAME EVENT before Toronto Blue Jays
 Game, sponsored by Toronto Association, with members of the Highland Dancing Community and the St. Andrews Society, featuring the dances of Scotland. Dancer volunteers sought.

 Info:

www.rscdstoronto.org

- 11, Fr 14, Mo: SCOTTISH SESSION I at Pinewoods Camp, sponsored by Boston Branch, RSCDS. www.rscdsboston.org
- 14, Mo 19, Sa: SCOTTISH SESSION II at Pinewoods Camp, sponsored by Boston Branch, RSCDS. www.rscdsboston.org

AUGUST 2008

10, Su – 17, Su: TAC SUMMER SCHOOL in Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, sponsored by Teachers Association of Canada. Teachers: Janet Johnston, Geoffrey Selling, Val Mitchell http://tac-rscds.org

SEPTEMBER 2008

- 12, Fr 14, Su: FORT WORDEN WEEKEND in Port Townsend, WA, sponsored by Seattle Branch, RSCDS. Teachers are: Eric Finley, Ruth Jappy, Marjorie McLaughlin, Geoffrey Selling. Musicians are: Brian Crissafulli, Ralph Gordon, **Deby Benton Grosjean**, Muriel Johnstone, and Calum MacKinnon. Information: www.rscds-seattle.org
- 19, Fr 21, Su: SCOTTISH WEEKEND AT TIMBER RIDGE with teachers David Queen of Southport, England, Eric Finley of Ayr, Scotland, and Elaine Brunken of Laurel, Maryland. Musicians are Terpsichore: Elke Baker, fiddle, Liz Donaldson, piano and Ralph Gordon, cello and bass. Registrar: Fred Eustis, 410-922-6369 feustis@starpower.net Chair: Ellen Ternes, 301-318-4208 or ellenter@comcast.net

Notes from Corresponding Secretary

By Donna Weidenfeller

Attention San Francisco Branch members: Are you interested in representing our Branch as a delegate to the AGM this November 7-9 in Perth, Scotland? It would be great to have some of our members representing us at this annual RSCDS event. Last year Branch members Fred DeMarse, Cathy Bertics, and Robert Mackay were delegates. Robert helped us find 5 other overseas RSCDS members to complete our allotted 8 delegates. The number of delegates is based on branch membership. This would be a great chance to observe how our Society functions as well as enjoy great dancing at the formal ball. As the Branch Committee needs to approve the delegates, I'll need to know if you are interested prior to our last meeting of the year, June 7th. Email me at sfdonna@hotmail.com. You can check the RSCDS website in April for details of the events and activities offered throughout the AGM weekend. If you do plan to attend you'll need to book accommodations early.

News from Headquarters: Noteworthy from the February report of the Management Board of the RSCDS is their commitment to achieve a balanced budget for 2008-2009. Many of you are aware that our dues have increased. In response to concerns expressed by many branches throughout the world of the RSCDS; they are carefully looking at ways to reduce costs. Also of interest is that the Membership Services Committee is now responsible for the RSCDS website. The new website editor is conducting a review to identify ways to improve this site. If you need the user/password to download the membership part of the site; most branch committee members, teachers, and class managers have this information.

"Dance, then, wherever you may be..."

LEARN TO SAVE A LIFE

The RSCDS San Francisco Branch
In association with
Health Education Services
Presents

CPR/AED Training

Saturday, May 3 12:00-4:00

Alameda Masonic Hall, Alameda

Before the May monthly party
Wear comfortable clothes for practicing
Cost \$32.50

(the branch is paying half of the cost)
Send a check payable to
RSCDS San Francisco Branch

To:

RSCPR

C/O Mark Caplin
20 Littlefield Terrace
San Francisco, CA 94107
Questions?
sailmedic@earthlink.net

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JUNE 2008

- 7, Sa, 1 PM . BRANCH COMMITTEE MEETING, place TBD. Info: 831-423-6165 or dottyl@cruzio.com
- 7, Sa: 6:30 PM Note early start time! MONTHLY PARTY at First Congregational Church, 900 High St., Santa Cruz,. Santa Cruz and Monterey Classes hosting. dancingsands@hotmail.com
- 19, Th: 7:45 PM SAN FRANCISCO CLASS SUMMER SOLSTICE PARTY, with live music. At Noe Valley Ministry, 1021 Sanchez at 23rd St., San Francisco. Info: 415-841-9456 or linneaj@spursuits.com
- 20, Fr: 8 PM BERKELEY CLASS END-OF-SEASON BASH at Grace North Church, 2138 Cedar St. at Walnut, Berkeley. Friday Night Band. Jane Samuelson, 707-746-0810 or Irene Harrison, 510-527-9097
- 21, Sa: 9 AM 5 PM CAMPBELL HIGHLAND GAMES at Campbell Community Center, corner Campbell Ave. and Winchester Ave., Campbell. Information:

 www.campbellgames.com_Scottish Country Demonstration Groups contact Sparky Gregory at 408-257-2294 or sparkyg@pacbell.net
- 21, Sa: **7:00 PM NEW TIME!** BEGINNERS BALL, at Hermann Sons Hall, 860 Western Ave., Petaluma. Info: Sandra Craig 707-575-8328 sandracraig47@yahoo.com
- 27, Tu: 7-9 PM CROCKETT CLASS PARTY! All are invited. Live Music. Crockett Community Center, 850 Pomona St., Crockett. For info contact Sandee, sandra-sue@msn.com or Lori, fireknight1@aol.com
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JULY 2008

- 12, Sa & 13, Su: DUNSMUIR HIGHLAND GAMES at Dunsmuir House, Oakland. Information: Zoe Pollock paloma1256@earthlink.net
- 20, Su: 1:30 Video, 2 PM start: TEACHERS COMMITTEE MEETING at Allen home, San Jose. Kathy Allen: kathyallien@gmail.com

AUGUST 2008

- 16, Sa: SUMMER BY THE SEA DANCE, time, place TBD sponsored by Santa Cruz Class. Info: Karen: 831-247-0544 macquarrie2007k@yahoo.com, Dotty at 831-423-6165 or dottyl@cruzio.com
- 30, Sa & 31, Su: PLEASANTON HIGHLAND GAMES, Pleasanton
- 30, 7:30 PM: JEAN PATRICK DANCE at Pleasanton Veterans Hall. Info: Michael Gregg: 925-413-3633 or gregg128@comcast.net

SEPTEMBER 2008

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20, Sa: 1:30 Video, 2 PM start: TEACHERS COMMITTEE MEETING at Kathleen McAdam's, Lafayette. Kathy Allen: kathyallien@gmail.com

OCTOBER 2008

- 7, Sa: LOCH LOMOND CELTIC GAMES at Highland Park, Ben Lomond. www.lochlomondceltic.org Scottish Country Dance Demonstration Groups contact dottyl@cruzio.com or 831-423-6165
- 7, Sa, 1 PM . BRANCH COMMITTEE MEETING, place TBD. Info: 831-423-6165 or dottyl@cruzio.com
- 7, Sa: 7:30 PM MONTHLY PARTY, place TBD dancingsands@hotmail.com
- 31, Fr. to 2 Nov. Su: ANNIVERSARY ASILOMAR WORKSHOPS AND BALL

Information: julm-hcs@pacbell.net



ANNOUNCEMENT

Design Contest for the 2008 Asilomar Logo

Creative? Artistic? We'd like to hear from you! We invite you to submit a logo design for the 2008 Asilomar weekend. There will be a cash prize of \$100 for the winning entry! The logo must be suitable for embroidering on the pocket area of a shirt, or to fit across the front of a shirt and should incorporate at least one of the following elements:

- San Francisco Branch (the Golden Gate, Bay Area images, etc.)
- Asilomar (the sea, the trees, Merrill Hall, Monarch butterflies, golden poppies)
- Scottish dancing (ghillies, thistles, dancers, etc.)

The first SCD weekend was held in 1958 - so 2008 is the 50th anniversary.

We'd like the option of either having the anniversary year (50 th) as an integral part of the design or having it separated out, to be added as a text line underneath the logo artwork. The winning design will be chosen by the 2008 Asilomar Committee. Please submit your entry to Patti Cobb:

pkcobb@pacbell.net or: 3779 25th St. San Francisco, CA, 94110

by April 19, please. Feel free to pass this on to other artistic types who may not be on the membership list. Thanks!!

Questions? Email Patti at the address above, or call 415-826-2287.

Social Parties in Crockett

By Lori Howard

As the sun set and a crisp wind chilled the air, tennis players finishing their game at the courts beside the Crockett Community Center were serenaded by the sweet strains of a Scottish reel. A brief look inside would have revealed a happy group of dancers enjoying the Crockett class' first monthly social party.

Designed to allow the dancers of the basic/intermediate class a chance to have a wee break from step and formation practice, the party featured a range of basic and intermediate level dances that all could enjoy and be challenged by. Dances were briefed and walked for those who wished to "preview" first couple's role. Steve Wyrick and Julie Carapanos provided wonderful music. It was a real treat for the class to have live music, and the acoustics of the hall made the music of two sound much fuller than one would expect. The evening concluded with a lovely waltz and then a light snack and socializing.

The Crockett class plans to continue hosting parties like this one on the last Tuesday of each month through June and beyond. The next party will be held on at 7:00pm on Tuesday, April 29th, again at the Crockett Community Center, at 850 Pomona Street, in the town of Crockett, which is just off Interstate 80, near the Carquinez Bridge. We will again have the pleasure of music by Steve Wyrick and Julie Carapanos. All dancers are invited to attend.

For more information, contact Greg Reznick at 925-425-9418, Sandee Schultz at 510-549-9224, or Lori Howard at 925-934-1928.

The program for April 29th will be as follows:

The Rock and the Wee Pickle Tow 32J2 B Rose Garden 24S2 I J.B. Milne 32R3 I/A This is No' My Ain Hoose 32S3 I The Wild Geese 32J3 B Maxwell's Rant 32R3 (I) Strathcare 32S3 I General Stuart's Reel 32R3 I

Thoughts from the Chair

Larry Wakeman

(lcwakeman@sbcglobal.net)

The time of the year is soon upon us to do our part to grow the family of Scottish Country Dancing. We have the Bay Area National Dance Week (BANDW) soon upon us. The Scottish Games will be starting in May. Check the calendar in this issue of the R&S or the web site for details of these events and invite your friends, relatives, co-workers and strangers on the street (well maybe not the last one) to come to these events to see what we do and to give us a try. You should also plan on supporting those events in your areas.

In other news, the Branch has purchased an Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) for use at Branch events. We have set a goal to have fifty members of the Branch certified on its use. We will reimburse up to two Branch members in any single class for \$30.00 or half the cost of the course, whichever is less, for AED/CPR certification. In conjunction with the May Monthly Party and BANDW workshop, we are holding a class from Noon at the Alameda Masonic Hall. The cost of this class is \$65.00 but with the Branch commitment, your cost would be \$35.00. If you are unavailable for this course, you may attend any class that includes both AED and CPR certification that is certified by the American Heart Association. Check with you local Recreation Departments and Fire Departments for alternate courses.

VOLUNTEERS

Cheers to all our volunteers, those listed below, other committee members, our class managers, and other helpers not listed. Your commitment, effort, and time given to Scottish Country Dancing in the Bay Area is invaluable! Thank you.

RSCDS-SF Branch Committee Members 2007/2008

If you have any concerns about the S.F. Branch, or would like to attend a Branch Committee (Board of Directors) meeting, please contact one of the members. Branch Committee meetings are usually held in the afternoon before Monthly Parties.

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SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE CLASSES IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Visit: www.rscds-sf.org or www.rscds-sacramento.org for more information about classes and other events.

The symbol, "&", indicates that classes meet in separate rooms at the same location. SEND CHANGES AND FALL STARTING DATES TO SUSIE BY APRIL 25, 2008

SAN FRANCISCO BRANCH CLASSES

Berkeley

MONDAYS: Intermediate Technique: 8pm; St. Clement's Episcopal Church, 2837 Claremont Blvd.at Russell near Ashby. Call Lynn Sande 510-332-4530. Teacher: Bruce Herbold. • FRIDAYS: Basic:8pm; Grace North Church, 2138 Cedar at Walnut.Intermediates: 8pm; All Souls Episcopal Parish, 2220 Cedar at Spruce. Call Jane Samuelson 707-746-0810 or Irene Harrison 510-527-9097. Teachers: Dwayne McQuilliams, David Newitt. • Youth: Intermediate: 6:30pm; Beginners: 7:15pm; All Souls Episcopal Parish. Advanced: 7:15pm Grace North Church. Teachers: Mary McQuilliams, Dwayne McQuilliams, Christopher Berner. Call Mary McQuilliams, 415-716-7999.

Crockett

TUESDAYS: Beginners: 6:30pm; Intermediates:8pm; Crockett Community Center, 850 Pomona Street. Call Lori Howard, 925-934-1928, or Sandee Schultz, 510-549-9224, teachers.

Lafayette NEW LOCATION!

THURSDAYS: Beginners & Intermediates: 8pm. Teachers: Eugene Bissell, Kathleen McAdam. Call Witsie McKelvy 925-676-3637. Youth (7 yrs. & up) (3 Levels): 5pm, 5:45pm; Call Kathleen McAdam 925-934-6148. Teachers: Kathleen McAdam, Cathy Bertics. All classes: All Classes meet at St. Stephens Parish Hall, 1101 Keaveny Court, Walnut Creek

Livermore

MONDAYS: Beginners & Intermediates: 8pm; Veterans Hall, 522 South L Street. Teachers: Sheena MacQueen, Coletta Hill. • FRIDAYS: Family Class: 7:30pm; Valley School of Dance Theatre, 2247 Suite B Second Street. Teachers: Sheena MacQueen, DonMacQueen. Call Michael Gregg 925-413-3633 or Margaret Ward 449-5932. • SUNDAYS: Youth: Beginners: 6pm, Experienced: 7pm; Valley School of Dance Theatre, 2247 Suite B Second Street. Call Sheena MacQueen, teacher, 925-447-1833.

Monterey

MONDAYS: **Beginners**: 6:30pm; **Experienced**: 7:30pm; Monterey Senior Center, 280 Dickman at Lighthouse. Call Kathy Wendell 831-663-3227 orBrian Campbell 831-656-9923. Teacher: Sara Gratiot.

Mountain View

WEDNESDAYS: Basic Skills & Experienced: 7:45pm; Mountain View Sports Pavilion, 1185 Castro St. Call Jo Hamilton, 650-328-0474, Michelle Cale 650-327-4402, or Sue Anderson 650-327-0762. Teachers: Alan Twhigg, Armin Busse, Bruce Hamilton, Fred De Marse.

San Francisco

THURSDAYS: Beginners & Experienced; Noe Valley Ministry, 1021 Sanchez St. at 23rd St. Call Linnea Johnson 415-841-9456. Teachers: Tim Wilson, Bruce Herbold. • SUNDAYS: Youth (71/ 2 yrs. & up): Beginners/Experienced: 5:15pm; Richmond Dist. YMCA, 360 18th Ave. Call Susie Langdon Kass, teacher, 415-333-9372.

San Jose

MONDAYS: Beginners/Experienced: 7:30pm: American Legion Hall, 1504 Minnesota Ave. Call Sparky Gregory 408-257-2294 or Jonathan Lovell 408-924-4437. Teachers: Marianna Harvey, Bob McMurtry, Kathy Allen.

San Jose ('Campbell Class')

FRIDAYS: Beginners: 7:15pm; Intermediates: 8:30pm; The Dance Affair, 850 N. Winchester Blvd, at Pruneridge/Hedding. Call Rebecca Davis, 408-378-3817, or Kathy Allen, 408 252-8406. Teachers: Rebecca Davis, Kathy Allen, Armin Busse.

Santa Cruz

WEDNESDAYS: Beginners: 7:30pm, Experienced: 8:30pm; First Congregational Church, 900 High St. Call Karen MacQuarrie 831-247-0544. Teachers: Juliet Davoren, Sara Gratiot, Paula Jacobson. • TUESDAYS: Youth: 4:00pm; Branciforte Small Schools Campus, 840 N. Branciforte Ave. Call Paula Jacobson, teacher, 831-688-8295.

Santa Rosa

MONDAYS: Beginners: 7pm; Intermediates: 8:30pm; Santa Rosa Veterans Memorial Building, 1351 Maple St. Call Susan Scott 707-569-8307. Teachers: Gary Thomas, Ron Wallace, Emily Evans, Robert Sargent. • WEDNESDAYS: Youth: 10:15am; Monroe Hall, 1400 West College Ave. Call Ron Wallace, teacher, 707-795-2185. • SUNDAYS (2x/month): Vintage Dance (Mazurkas, Waltzes, Polkas, Quadrilles): 1:30pm; Monroe Hall. Call Gary Thomas, teacher, 707-795-2185 for dates.

South Bay Youth Class

MONDAYS: 3:45pm; Immanual Lutheran Church, 1715 Grant Road, Los Altos. Call Michelle Cale 650-327-4402, or Jo Hamilton, teacher, 650-328-0474.

PERFORMANCE TEAMS (DEMONSTRATION TEAMS)

Dunsmuir Scottish Dancers

TUESDAYS: Advanced (by invitation only), 7:30pm, San Pablo. Call Shari Salis, 510-558-8644, or Ron Wallace, director, 707-795-2185.

New World Scottish Dancers

THURSDAYS: Advanced (by invitation only): 9pm; Ladies Step: 8:30pm; Pleasant Hill. Call Lori Howard, director, 925-934-1928.

Red Thistle Dancers

THURSDAYS: **Advanced** (by invitation only), 8pm, Palo Alto. Call Jennifer Kelly, director, 650-327-1350.

Santa Rosa Scottish Dancers

FRIDAYS: **Advanced** (by invitation only), 7pm, Cotati. Call Gary Thomas, director, 707-795-2185.

SACRAMENTO BRANCH CLASSES

Sacramento

FRIDAYS: Adult/Family: Basic: 7pm; Intermediate/Advanced: 8:15pm. Call Martha McCorkell 916-362-8813. Teachers: Peggy Hamilton, Sandra Kesler. • SATURDAYS: Youth classes (8-18 years): Children K-6: 9am; Teens & Continuing: 10am; Advanced/Technique 11am; • 1st & 3rd SATURDAYS: Ladies & Twasome 12:30pm. Call Lynne Lockwood. teacher, 916-716-3696. • All classes: YLI Clubhouse, 1400 27th St.

SACRAMENTO PERFORMANCE TEAMS:

Glen Mohr: Contact Peggy Hamilton, director, 209-956-6676;

White Heather Dancers: Contact Lynne Lockwood, director, 916-716-3698

Stockton To be cancelled: Last class April 30!
WEDNESDAYS: Experienced/Beginners: 7:30pm;
Unitarian Church, Bristol & Pacific. Call Charles Wood
209-465-8871. Teacher: Don MacQueen. Beginners:
anytime.

OTHER CLASSES

Arcata (Humboldt Scottish Dancers)

FRIDAYS: Experienced Social: 4pm. Arcata Presbyterian Church, 11th & G Streets. Call Ann McClary, teacher, 707-822-2219, or Helen MacPherson 707-822-3056. Beginners: anytime.

Grass Valley

MONDAYS: **Beginners/Experienced**: 7pm. Call Ed Johnston, teacher, 530-622-1519, or Jean Hoy 530-265-9714. **Beginners**: anytime.

Mill Valley

FRIDAYS: **Beginners**: 7pm; **Experienced Social**: 8:15pm; Almonte Hall, Wisteria Way at Almonte. Call Mike Hird 415-884-2716. Teacher: Marghie Goff.

Rancho Cordova

TUESDAYS: Beginners/Experienced: 7:30pm. Call Ed Johnston, teacher, 530-622-1519, or Rec. & Park District 916-362-1841. Beginners: anytime.

Redding

THURSDAYS: **Beginners**: 6:30pm; **Experienced**: 7pm. Call Margaret Anne Schlobohm, teacher, 530-472-1154. **Beginners**: anytime.

Reno, Nevada (Silver State Dancers)

WEDNESDAYS: Call to confirm. Basic/Experienced: 7:30pm; Fascinating Rhythm Dance Studio, 9736 So. Virginia St. Suite E. Call Marian Stroh, teacher, 775-825-1224 or 775-762-7860. • THURSDAYS: Intermediate/Advanced: 7:30pm; Nevada Dance Academy, 1790 W. 4th. Call Dave Wilson, teacher, 775-825-6867.

San Luis Obispo

THURSDAYS: Beginners/Intermediates: 7pm; Call (805) 528-8280, or (805) 466-4631 Barry Lewis, teacher. See www.ccsdancers.com

STEP DANCING CLASSES

Atherton/Menlo Park

TUESDAYS: Intermediates: 7pm; Beginners: 8:15pm. • THURSDAYS: Experienced: 8pm. Call Jo Hamilton, teacher, 650-328-0474.

Berkeley

2nd SUNDAYS: Cape Breton Step: **Beginners**: 1pm; **Experienced**: 2pm. Ashkenaz Dance Center, 1317 San Pablo Ave. Call 209-745-9063. Gail Erwin and Bob Schuldheisz, teachers.

Cotati (Santa Rosa)

THURSDAYS: Hard Shoe: 7pm; Ladies' Step: 8pm. Call Ron Wallace 707-795-2185.

Galt (south of Sacramento)

Third SUNDAYS: Cape Breton Step: Beginners & Intermediates: 1-5 pm. Call 209-745-9063 for directions. Gail Erwin & Bob Schuldheisz, teachers.

Pleasant Hill

THURSDAYS: **Beginners**: 6pm; **Intermediate/ Advanced**: 7pm. Call Lori Howard, teacher, 925-934-1928.

San Pablo

WEDNESDAYS: **Beginners/Intermediates**: 7pm; Advanced Soft Shoe Step (with permission): 8pm; Advanced Hard Shoe Step (with permission): 8:45pm; San Pablo Sportsmen's Club, 5220 Glen Ave. Call Ron Wallace, teacher, 707-795-2185.

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