

Old Farmers Ball
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FIND YOUR JULY/AUG 2010 DANCE FLYER ON THE BACK COVER.

SWANNANOA GATHERING

Each year some of the World's best folk musicians converge on Warren Wilson College for a series of intensive week long workshops, with names like Celtic Week, Fiddle Week and Old-Time Week.

You'll see tents all around the campus with small groups of musicians either studying or jamming and practicing what they've learned. The campus comes alive with the sound of music!

Three of our July dances are run in conjunction with the Swannanoa Gathering, with the staff for that week providing the music.

And how good is that staff? Well take a look at the Web site, and for Fiddle Week note, for example, that Larry Unger of *Notorious*, who recorded much of the dreamy waltz music we play at the breaks will be there. (See www.swangathering.com/Catalog/FD/sgfdstaff.html for the full Fiddle Week staff.)

So come lose yourself in the music and dance the warm Summer nights away to the sounds of some of the best musicians in the World.

SPLASH DANCE

Every August the Old Farmer's Ball puts on Splash Dance, which is one of the most affordable, informal, fun contra weekends around.

It's held at Camp Merrimac, on a lake, so the days and evenings are passed between dancing and swimming.

The music is not your usual, well rehearsed bands, but rather impromptu community sessions led by some of the best of our awesome local talent.

So bring your instruments, your calling cards, your dancing shoes and your swim suit for a wonderful mid-summer dance weekend.

For registration information go to:
www.olderfarmersball.com/splashdance.htm

MEMBERSHIP

It's official! Anyone joining in July or August is a member for the full 2010-2011 season.

The seasons run from September 1st to August 31st.

If you are a current member, and are renewing, we encourage you to do so online, and update your information if necessary.

If you don't renew online, please note on the application form that you are renewing so we can preserve your information in the OFB database.

New members can join online as well. See the Web site www.olderfarmersball.com for details.

WELCOME WARREN WILSON STUDENTS

The last two dances in August are welcoming dances for the students of Warren Wilson College.

Warren Wilson provides us with the venues we dance at, both Bryson Gym and the Pavilion..

In exchange we become part of the Warren Wilson community and welcome their students to our dances.

Many of our most dedicated and loyal dancers have come from that Warren Wilson community.

We ask all our dancers to welcome these students and embrace their participation in the dance. To dance with them, to welcome them into the lines, to greet them with a smile as they come down the line as neighbors.

In other words, give them the welcome open feeling we hope to give to all our new dancers.



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The Old Farmer's Ball is an ***all volunteer*** organization. Be a part of the dance *community*. Join one (or more) of these committees to help with behind-the-scenes work that makes the contra dance happen week after week and supports other forms of social dance in our community.

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News is published bi-monthly by the Old Farmer's Ball, and includes the Asheville Area Dance Flyer, project reports, contact info, announcements, and more.

REGIONAL CONTRA DANCE CARPOOLING WEBSITE

<http://ofb-events.pbwiki.com/carpooling>

OFB Board Meetings — Everyone welcome
 Second Mondays — 6:30 — Grey Eagle
 See www.oudfarmersball.com for all the other Local and Regional Dance links!

Asheville Contra — July/Aug 2010

The Monday Night Dance at the Grey Eagle

8pm Beginners Always Welcome
185 Clingman Avenue - Asheville NC (828) 232-5800

7/5—**Toss the Possum** (Sam Anthanas, Scott Fore, Rob and Laura Zisette) with Charley Harvey

7/12—**Jupiter Road** (Hilary Dirlam, Bill West, Jacques & Hunt Mallett) with Laurie Fisher

7/19—**Contraversial** (Cailen Campbell and David Brown) with Anne Marie Walter

7/26—**Curious George** (Laura Lengnick, Karen Gaughen and Paul Moore) with Margaret Mathews

8/2—**Mock Turtle Soup** (Pearl Mueller Shirley, Willie Repoley, Chris Holleman, Laurel Willoughby) with John Combs

8/9—**The Boys of Buncombe** (Steve Trismen, Jon Singleton, Tall Paul and Steve Burnside) with Diane Silver

8/16—**Fiddlewitch** -(Laurie Fisher, Karen Gaughen, Art Shuster and Skip Metheny) with Barbara Groh

8/23—**Bob Kogut and the Kruger Brothers** (Bob Kogut, Joel Landsberg, Jens and Uwe Kruger) with Hank Morris

8/30—**The Dry Ridge Runners** (Adam Tanner, Roy Andrade, Parrish Ellis, and Stephanie Wolf) with Beth Molaro

Thursdays! Old Farmer's Ball

8pm (lesson 7:30pm)
Warren Wilson College, Bryson Gym

7/1—**Toss the Possum** (Zisette Family from Blacksburg, VA) with Charley Harvey

7/8—**Swannanoa Gathering** Fiddle Week and Traditional Song Week Staff with Brian DeMarcus "Community Dance"

7/15—**Swannanoa Gathering** Celtic Week Staff with Rodney Sutton, "Ceili"

7/22—**Swannanoa Gathering** Old Time Week Staff with Phil Jamison "Square Dance"

7/29—**Rock'n Reel** (Julia Weatherford, Daniel Barber, Scott Mills) with Beth Molaro

8/5—**Mock Turtle Soup** (Pearl Shirley, Willie Repoley, Chris Holleman, Laurel Willoughby) with Diane Silver

8/12—**Land of Sky** (Laura Lengnick, Roger Gold, Paul Moore) with Barbara Groh

8/19—**WWC Freshman Orientation Carolina Dingos** (Jamie Laval, Roger Gold and Jack Deveraux) with Laurie Fisher

8/26—**Welcome Back WWC Students Spring Chickens** (Rob and Beth Mangum, Ben Harvey, McLean Bissell, Art Shuster) with Phil Jamison