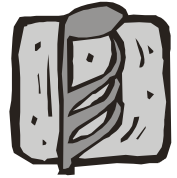




New Mexico Folk Music & Dance Society

FolkMADS Newsletter



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The FolkMADS Calendar and Notes are published bimonthly by the New Mexico Folk Music and Dance Society, a nonprofit organization.

FolkMADS sponsors Albuquerque, Santa Fe, and Taos contra dances, concerts, camps, and other special events. "Contra" dances include contras, squares, mixers, and couple dances. Unless noted on the calendar, admission is \$7 for members, \$8 for nonmembers. Students with ID receive half price admission and children up to 12 years of age are free. You need not come with a partner. Free instruction for beginners half an hour before the dance starts. Dances are smoke-free and alcohol-free. Children and teens are encouraged to participate if supervised by an adult.

Albuquerque Dances 1st and 3rd Saturday, contra dances, 7:30-10.30 p.m., 2nd Sunday English & Contra Dance, 7:00-9:30 p.m. Heights Community Center, 823 Buena Vista SE (south of Lead/Coal).

Santa Fe Dances 2nd and 4th Saturday contra dances and some 5th Saturday English Country dances, 7:30-10.30 p.m., Odd Fellows Hall, 1125 Cerrillos Road (south of Cordova Dr. on the west side of Cerrillos).

Taos Dances 3rd Saturdays, 7:30-10:00 p.m., San Geronimo Lodge, 1101 Witt Road, in Taos. Call for details, 776-1580.

Albuquerque Megaband practice is held the Tuesday before the 3rd Saturday dance. All acoustic musicians welcome. Check calendar for location. Contact Bruce Thomson, 268-6003. www.folkmads.org/megaband.html.

Santa Fe Community Band practice is held at the Odd Fellows Hall on (1st and 3rd) Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. Contact Gary Papenhagen, 242-1104, gpap@cybermesa.com.

Heights Floor Reminders

Please remember to keep water bottles and other containers off the dance floor at the Heights Community Center. Also, when moving benches or chairs in the dance hall, be sure to lift and carry (get a buddy to help!). No dragging across the wood floor, please!

Our thanks to everyone for all your help in protecting the dance floor!

Handy Information

Membership

Coordinator: 243-2225 or
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Jane Phillips heyjane@yahoo.com

Board members: folkmadsboard@yahoogroups.com

Help Wanted: Membership Coordinator

Rob Campbell has been handling our membership duties for the past couple of years (thanks Rob!!) and is now looking for someone to take over. The job requires approximately 2 hours a month, basic knowledge of Excel, good attention to detail, and the ability to organize little pieces of paper into meaningful data. If you've been dreaming of a volunteer position in FolkMADS that's exciting, rewarding, and *much appreciated*, this one's for YOU!! To express your interest or learn more about the job, please contact Rob, Jane, or the board, using the contact info above.

Did you know that you can now renew your membership for three years at a time? It's super convenient, and a little cheaper that way, too! *See membership form below.*

FolkMADS in Cyberspace

You can find FolkMADS connections all over the internet. See the "Links" page on the FolkMADS website (www.folkmads.org) to find YouTube videos of dance camps by Jim Boros, compilations of Boo Camp photos by Neil Glass, and music performances from NM and elsewhere posted by Judy Muldawer. You'll also find links to FolkMADS on MySpace and Facebook. If you have related web media we should know about, send the info to Jane and she'll add a link.

Be sure to check the "Special Events" page (www.folkmads.org/special_events.html) for information about and links to events in New Mexico and beyond.

Early Warning: No Heights Dance on July 4th

Watch for announcements about an event in Old Town that evening,
featuring Doc Litchman and the Megaband!

Check the schedule of Old Town performances that are part of the ABQ Folk Festival promotion.
Support your local bands! <http://www.abqfolkfest.org/oldtown.shtml>

NOTE: Due to busy schedules, we're reprinting a past Tune of the Month article here. The following article about our own Wayne Shrubsall first appeared in 2006, but it's worth a second look.

Tune of the Month

Bruce Thomson
(LibTNov1@aol.com)

Wayne Shrubsall

Though I've written brief profiles about many fiddlers, I haven't written much about banjo players in this column except for an occasional reference to their general personal characteristics that form the underpinnings of so many banjo jokes (Google gave me 300,000 hits on a search of "banjo" and "jokes"). Whether the jokes are justified or not, one of the best banjo players around is Wayne Shrubsall. Wayne's been in Albuquerque for over 30 years, arriving here from Indiana after wandering around for a while through places like Wyoming. He's best known for picking with bluegrass bands such as the Big River Boys and Elliott's Ramblers, but he's playing more and more old timey music in the frailing style, mostly with the Adobe Brothers. He's been teaching banjo for decades, and there aren't many banjo players around who haven't taken a few lessons from him. In contrast to some of us, Wayne's actually got academic credentials in folk music and banjology having written a Ph.D. dissertation titled "The 5-String Banjo in American Popular Culture" (not "The Banjo as Sexual Icon" as claimed by some). Wayne's

recently been featured on two nationally released CDs, a compilation of bluegrass-clawhammer duets with the legendary Alan Munde (Old Friends, CD-OF), and Peter Feldman's CD tribute to Uncle Dave Macon titled Grey Cat on the Tennessee Farm (HC-504). The latter has a full band with some of the genre's top pickers and was named by the Chicago Tribune as one of the top 10 bluegrass albums of the year. Byron Berline plays fiddle on this CD which has a great version of Rye Straw. Some versions of this tune are pretty crooked, but this rendition isn't and would make a great dance tune.

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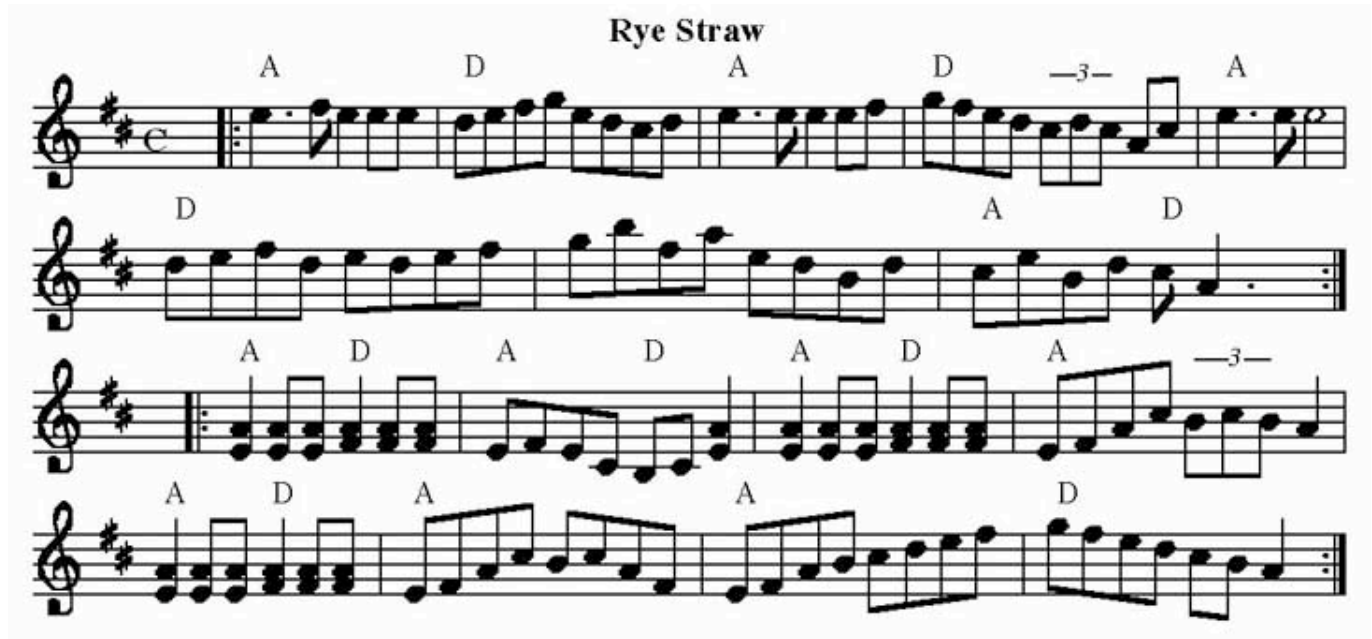
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See web version of the newsletter (and "links" page) for an online source of ABC notation and free software.

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Time to Renew Your Membership?

☞ Look at Your Mailing Label ☞

The first line will indicate when
your membership expires.

FolkMADS Membership Form Return with payment to: FolkMADS, P.O. Box 40421, Albuquerque, NM 87196-0421			
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Questions about your membership? Contact Rob Campbell at (505) 243-2225 or robandedeb@yahoo.com			