

Hi Dancers,

Yes, this month we finally move to a new location for 3-4 months while they refinish the floors at our regular location.

ZIA MIDDLE SCHOOL is the Contra Dance new temporary location, next Friday, OCTOBER 19th.

Easy to find – close to our regular location:

1300 West University, Las Cruces -- 1 mile west of the intersection of I-10 and University, exit 142.

Please park on the EAST side. Signs will be everywhere. Turn in where it says STUDENT DROP-OFF. Piece of cake (or pan comido).

Please remind all of your friends who may not be on our mailing list – we do not want to miss anyone. If you feel inspired for the month of October, wear something **BLACK.**

Basic lessons at 7:30 pm, dance until 10:30 pm. One-armed **Lonnie** is on deck to call (broken shoulder surgery 9/24 went well but he is not yet ready for the Olympics). We are still organizing a live band so stay tuned.

OTHER LOCAL DANCE and MUSIC EVENTS:

Oct 16th Tuesday -- Beginning Square Dance lessons

7:00 pm, Trails West Club House. Everyone is welcome, you do not need a partner to take lessons. For further information contact Ted Clements, 575-233-2347 or email vadousa@yahoo.com. Sponsored by the Circle Eight Square Dance Club -- contra dancer Barb Sallach is president. In mainstream square dance, you need to complete a series of basic lessons, usually 4-8 weeks of dancing, before you graduate to the bigtime. Remember, any kind of dance makes you a better overall dancer, and dance is FUN. website: www.patpendergrass.com/sqdnccal.html.

October 19th - 21st, 2012 - Mesilla's 150th Civil War Commemoration – Friday evening Military Ball Event Planned 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. on the Plaza with Full Regimental US 4th Calvary Band of the 1860's. Living history, tentative battle planned for Saturday morning, and candlelight tour Saturday night. Living History - Sunday, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Go experience the magic sight and sound of 1862 and then come over to Zia for Appalachian old-time music of the same period and YOU CAN DANCE too. This update is from contra dancer Cheryl Blevins at Bowlin's Mesilla Book Center. Brass band web: <http://oabb.homestead.com/>

October 26 – 28 BOO Camp

Hummingbird Music Camp, Jemez Springs, NM

Caller: Noralyn Parsons Band: Second Nature Workshops: Erik Erhardt

Info and registration at: http://folkmaids.org/Boo_Camp.html

This is a short, fun, relaxing weekend in the mountains, perfect for new dancers.

Weekend schedule is posted on the web. Well worth the drive just to see the spectacular fall colors in the canyon -- go up a day early and camp. Ask us about it 575-522-1691.

SOME INSPIRATION:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j9L0dz3qm5c> Montpelier, VT Contra Dance. Great dancers. Note: fast music, everyone keeps to the 8 count beat and dances on time.

See you next Friday – ZIA MIDDLE SCHOOL is where it is happening.

Julie and Lonnie

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