



**DEFFA** DOWNEAST  
FRIENDS  
OF THE  
FOLK ARTS

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DEFFA is the Down East Friends of the Folk  
Arts, a non-profit organization promoting  
folk and traditional dance, music, and art.

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First Class Mail

**NOVEMBER 2009**



Greetings Friends,

Another November has arrived, and that means it is time once again for the festival fundraiser on November 29 in Belfast. It should be a fun time. Please plan to attend!

It has been nice attending a few more dances lately, and when there has been an opportunity we have posted some pictures and videos on the deffa.org website. Check it out to see some of the action. We are also happy to post your own photos if you would like to share them.

We would like to thank all of you who make an effort to attend the dances and support the community.

Once again Phil Locke(Thank you, Phil!) will be collecting information and listings for the annual DEFFA Guide to Maine Folk Artists, Musicians, and Performers. Please send him your information by December 12 if you would like to be included.

Have a happy Thanksgiving and we hope to see you on the dance floor!

*Richard & Pam*

## The Blue Hill First-Saturday Series

Maine's Longest-running Contradance

presents:

**Saturday, Nov 7th**

6:30pm: family dance with open band

8:00-11:00pm: regular dance with

**Oakum Bay String Band**

with

**John McIntire** calling

👉 Dec 5th: Oakum Bay with tba calling 👈

Blue Hill Town Hall. Admission \$7 for regular dance

Heidi Daub, (207)374-5417, [info@heididaub.com](mailto:info@heididaub.com)

# Thanksgiving Survivors Dance



Sunday, November 29, 2009

American Legion Hall #43  
143 Church St, Belfast, ME

... a fundraiser for the Down East Country Dance Festival

12:00 – 1:00pm

Spirited Singing with Chrissy Fowler

1:00 – 6:00pm

Contradance:

Hot Turkey with John McIntire calling  
Playgroup with Maggie Robinson calling  
Catharsis with Kim Roberts calling

\$12 at the door

20th Annual  
Down East Country Dance Festival  
March 26 & 27, 2010

Mount Ararat Middle School, Topsham, ME

For more information call 563-8953 or visit us online at [www.deffa.org](http://www.deffa.org)  
DEFFA is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of traditional dance & music.



## ☘ Rockland ☘ Contra ☘ Dance ☘

*Sunday November 8 at 3:00 PM at the Arts Center 24 Lincoln St.  
 Hope Hoffman, David Stimson, Tamora Goltz, with Chrissy Fowler calling.  
 This month we feature a family dance at 3:00 PM, free , Contra at 3:30  
 The family dance band requests sit-in musicians!  
 Donation \$10 adults, \$15 for families with kids ☘ Find us on Facebook, or  
 Information at 207-372-8657 (Jim) or jdbirch@juno.com, or  
 www.deffa.org or www.hopehoffman.org*



## Calendar Listings

### Sunday November 1

♪ Carthage, Pineland Fiddlers. Skye Theatre, 2 Highland Drive, South Carthage. Presented by New England Celtic Arts. The Pineland Fiddlers is a touring ensemble of children age eight to 16 who play traditional fiddle music from Maine and Canada. 7 p.m. Pre-show jam at 6:15. \$10. Info 800-894-4300 or www.necelticarts.com.

♪ Topsham, Fiddler Tamora Goltz. Second in series of three Tidbits Fiddle n' Farm acoustic concerts. Sundays 12:30-1:15 p.m. (doors open at noon for free samples of local food) at HeartSpeak studio, 56 Elm Street. \$5, under 4 free. Advance tickets at Red Dragon Toys in Brunswick, by mail (payable to Hope Hoffman, PO Box 171, Bowdoinham, ME 04008) or at the door. FMI (207) 332-3459, www.freegrange.org.

### Tuesday November 3

♪ Lewiston, Le Vent du Nord. Franco American Heritage Center , 46 Cedar St. Presented by New England Celtic Arts. Le Vent du Nord are one of the hippest exponents of Quebecois music. 7 p.m. Pre-show jam at 6:15. \$10. Info 800-894-4300 or www.necelticarts.com or www.francoamericanheritage.org.

### Wednesday November 4

♪ Carthage, Le Vent du Nord. Skye Theatre, 2 Highland Drive, South Carthage. Presented by New England Celtic Arts. Le Vent du Nord are one of the hippest exponents of Quebecois music. 7 p.m. Pre-show jam at 6:15. \$10. Info 800-894-4300 or www.necelticarts.com.

♪ Falmouth, Acoustic dinner music by fiddler Hope Hoffman. O'Naturals restaurant, on the first Wednesday of each month in October, November, and December. 5-6:30 p.m. at O'Naturals' Family Night. FMI: 207.781.8889 www.freegrange.org.

### Thursday November 5

♪ Camden, Open Mike at Camden Library Coffeehouse. Bring your instrument and your lyrics, or pass the message along to any performers or singer-songwriters you know who would like to give us a song or two. No admission charge, but we will pass the hat. "Sage for Someone" will perform the second set. 6:30-8:30 pm. <http://www.librarycamden.org/>.

★★ Dover, NH, Contradance with Lamprey River Band (Peter Yarensky, Sarah Mason, Burt Feintuch, Steve Panish, Sarah Hydorn, Bill Zecker), calling by Peter Yarensky and Sarah Mason. Contras at City Hall. Guest callers and musicians welcome. 8-10:40 p.m. \$7/5 students Info 603-664-2513 or peter.yarensky@unh.edu or <http://nhcountrydance.com>.

### Thursday November 5 cont'd

♪ Old Town, The Abbott Hill Ramblers. Bluegrass and American Roots. K of C Hall, Old Town. 6:30 -7:30 p.m. Info: 827-3972

♪ Unity, Le Vent du Nord. Unity College Center for the Performing Arts. Presented by New England Celtic Arts. Le Vent du Nord are one of the hippest exponents of Quebecois music. 7:30 p.m. \$10. Info 800-894-4300 or [www.necelticarts.com](http://www.necelticarts.com) or [www.francoamericanheritage.org](http://www.francoamericanheritage.org).

### Friday November 6

★★ Belfast, Contradance with music by Notorious(Eden MacAdam-Somer, Sam Bartlett, & Larry Unger) and calling by Chrissy Fowler. Contra and community dances at the American Legion Hall, 143 High St.(entrance on Church St.) in Belfast with a community dance, potluck snack break, and contra dance; the Belfast Flying Shoes dance series. Everybody is welcome, come with or without partner. Community dance at 6:30 p.m. \$2/1children. Contras at 8 p.m. \$8, \$6 teens and those at community dance. Info 338-0979 or [belfastflyingshoes@gmail.com](mailto:belfastflyingshoes@gmail.com), [www.belfastflyingshoes.org/](http://www.belfastflyingshoes.org/).

♪ Blue Hill, Coffeehouse Concert featuring Timbered Lake with poet-singer-indigenous hand drummer Crow Suncloud and singer-songwriter-guitarist Diana Ramsdell Newman. Blue Hill Public Library, 5 Parker Point Rd. 7:00-9:00 free admission, refreshments for sale. Info <http://timberedlake.blogspot.com/> or Blue Hill Public Library (207)374-5515.

### Saturday November 7

★★ Bath, Authentic Movement. Bath Dance Works, 72 Front St. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. \$10 Info: 725-9997 or [dancingfewl@pobox.com](mailto:dancingfewl@pobox.com).

♪ Belfast, Special afternoon STUNTOLOGY performance and book signing featuring Sam Bartlett & Notorious (Eden Mac-Adam Somer and Larry Unger). Sam Bartlett's now-famous (praised by the likes of Ira Glass) absurd pranks and pointless techniques to amuse yourself, amaze your friends, and annoy everyone else, combined with hot traditional and contemporary acoustic music from around the world from Notorious Trio. 1:00 pm. Suggested donation \$7, refreshments will be served. Seating is limited- BYO Pillow to soften your seat. Aarhus Gallery is located at 50 Main St. Belfast, Maine. For more information call 338-0001 or visit the website [www.aarhusgallery.com](http://www.aarhusgallery.com).

★★ Blue Hill, Contradance with The Oakum Bay String Band (George Fowler, Heidi Daub, Fiona Schubeck, Bill Schubeck, Mesa Schubeck), calling by John McIntire. Contras and more in the Town Hall, 18 Union St. Beginners invited, all dances taught. Couples and singles welcome. Family dance with open band at 6:30pm. Regular dance 8:00 - 11:00 p.m. Beginners invited, all dances taught. Couples and singles welcome. \$7 Info: 374-5417, 359-2070.

♪ Dexter, Evergreen. American Roots. Wayside Theater, Rte. 23 North Dexter, ME. 7:00 p.m. For Dinner Reservations and Info: 924-8813.

★★ Falmouth, Contradance with Notorious and calling by Chris Ricciotti. Contradances and more at Falmouth Congregational Church Hall, 267 Falmouth Rd. next to the Town Office. 7:15-7:45 p.m. dance instruction, 8-midnight contras and more. Dessert potluck and door prizes during the break. Please bring clean shoes for dancing. \$10/7 students under 21, \$5 children 5-12, under 5 free. Info Barry, (207)582-6378, [bajmagda@Juno.com](mailto:bajmagda@Juno.com). Day of dance phone: (207)756-2201.

★★ Dance

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**Friday November 6, 2009**

**Caller Chrissy Fowler (ME), with  
NOTORIOUS TRIO  
Sam Bartlett; mandolin, banjo (IN)  
Eden MacAdam-Somer; fiddle (MA)  
Larry Unger; banjo, guitar (MA)**

**6:30 pm COMMUNITY DANCE** \$2 adults \$1kids

Chrissy Fowler (Belfast)  
Calling with the All-Comers Band  
(All musicians welcome to sit in!)

- ◆ fun & simple dances  
brush up on & learn new skills
- ◆ **FUN FOR THE WHOLE COMMUNITY:**  
beginner & experienced dancers  
encouraged to participate!

**FIRST  
FRIDAY**  
under the disco ball  
American Legion #43  
143 High Street  
(entrance on church st)  
Belfast  
Maine

**7:30 pm TASTY TREAT POTLUCK** Savory or Sweet FINGER FOODS  
for an after-dinner treat

**8pm CONTRADANCE**  
\$8 adults \$6 teens & those at the Community Dance  
PLEASE BRING: water bottle & clean shoes to dance in

fmi; belfastflyingshoes@gmail.com or Chrissy 207 338 0979

**Greater Portland Community Contra Dance**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Saturday each month in Falmouth, ME**

Musicians & Guest Callers:

**Nov 7<sup>th</sup> Notorious (Larry, Eden & Sam)**  
w/ Chris Ricciotti calling

**Dec 5<sup>th</sup> Rumblestrip (Nat, Liza & Glen)**  
w/ David Millstone calling

New dancers welcome, no partners needed, smoke-free, alcohol-free  
Dance instruction at 7:15 pm, main dance @ 8 pm  
Dessert potluck (bring a treat) \*\*\* Please bring clean shoes for dancing \*\*\*

**Falmouth Congregational Church Hall**

267 Falmouth Rd, Falmouth, Maine 04105 (Enter in the back of the building)

Adults: (\$10) Students under 21: \$7, Children 5-12: \$5, Children under 5: free

Want more info? Email: bajmagda@juno.com / Day of dance phone: (207) 756-2201

On the web: [http://tedcrane.com/DanceDB/DisplayDance.com?key=US\\_ME\\_PWM\\_GPCDS](http://tedcrane.com/DanceDB/DisplayDance.com?key=US_ME_PWM_GPCDS)  
November 2009

**Sunday November 8**

✦✦ Rockland, Fall Dance Showcase. Lodge of Elks, Rankin Street. The showcase will feature 30 dance performances by both amateurs and professionals as well as several choreographed group numbers, and there will be general dancing throughout. Ballroom, Latin, Hip Hop and Belly Dancers! Many of the performers have competed professionally in national or international ballroom competitions and placed in the winners circle. 2 PM. Tickets: \$10. Our Spring Showcase was sold out with a long waiting list, so you will want to purchase your tickets early! Call Christian Clayton & Kathryn Vaughn at Swing & Sway Dancing. 594-0940 or email [info@swingsway.com](mailto:info@swingsway.com) to purchase yours and enjoy the show!

✦✦ Rockland, Contradance with music by Tamora Goltz, Hope Hoffman, and David Stimson, and Chrissy Fowler calling. Sunday November 8 at 3:00 PM at the Arts Center 24 Lincoln St. Donation \$10 adults, \$15 for families with kids. This month we feature a family dance at 3:00 PM, free, Contra at 3:30. The family dance band requests sit-in musicians! FMI: (207) 372-8657, [jdbirch@juno.com](mailto:jdbirch@juno.com), directions at [www.hopehoffman.org](http://www.hopehoffman.org).

♪ Topsham, Fiddler/guitarist Jim Burke. Third in series of three Tidbits Fiddle n' Farm acoustic concerts. Sundays 12:30-1:15 p.m. (doors open at noon for free samples of local food) at HeartSpeak studio, 56 Elm Street. \$5, under 4 free. Advance tickets at Red Dragon Toys in Brunswick, by mail (payable to Hope Hoffman, PO Box 171, Bowdoinham, ME 04008) or at the door. FMI (207) 332-3459, Directions and audio at [www.freegrange.org](http://www.freegrange.org).

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**Monday November 9**

♫ **Belfast, Shape Note Singing.** First Church Fellowship Hall, church is between Church and Court Streets, entrance on Spring Street. Singing 7-9 pm. Spirited 4-part community singing dating from the Colonial period and widely sung today -- all welcome; tunes sung first with just notes, then words. Books (Sacred Harp, Northern Harmony) available for loan and purchase. Beginners welcome -- come, and bring a friend. Inf. Sumner 338-1265 or Bobbie 594-5743, rgoodell@gwi.net.

**Tuesday November 10**

♫ **Lewiston, Folk Arts Quartet.** Franco American Heritage Center , 46 Cedar St. Presented by New England Celtic Arts. The Folk Arts Quartet (FAQ) combines folk styles from the fiddle world with the heritage of the classical string quartet. 7 p.m. Pre-show jam at 6:15. \$10. Info 800-894-4300 or www.necelticarts.com or www.francoamericanheritage.org.

**Wednesday November 11**

♫ **Carthage, Folk Arts Quartet.** Skye Theatre, 2 Highland Drive, South Carthage. Presented by New England Celtic Arts. The Folk Arts Quartet (FAQ) combines folk styles from the fiddle world with the heritage of the classical string quartet. 7 p.m. Pre-show jam at 6:15. \$10. Info 800-894-4300 or www.necelticarts.com.

♫ **Portland, concert at Blue by fiddlers Tamora Goltz and Hope Hoffman with David Stimson.** 650A Congress St. (between High and State Streets). The hat will be passed around for tips but there is no cover charge. 7:30-9 p.m., with an open music session afterwards. FMI: (207) 774-4111, www.hopehoffman.org, www.portcityblue.com.

**Thursday November 12**

♫ **Unity, Folk Arts Quartet.** Unity College Center for the Performing Arts. Presented by New England Celtic Arts. The Folk Arts Quartet (FAQ) combines folk styles from the fiddle world with the heritage of the classical string quartet. 7:30 pm. \$10. Info 800-894-4300 or www.necelticarts.com.

**Saturday November 14**

♫ **Farmington, Contradance with The Pineland Fiddlers and calling by Richard Green & Cynthia Phinney.** Farmington Grange, Bridge Street, Route 43, West Farmington. All dances taught. Family dance with sit-in band 6:30-7:30, contra 8-11:00 PM. \$6 adults, \$5 students or \$15 family max; Family Dance only, \$2/\$1. Info: 491-9928 or dance@starleft.org or www.starleft.org.

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**Scottish Country Dancing in and Around Maine**

Belfast - Mondays, 7:30 - 9:30 American Legion Hall  
Gayle Koyanagi 338-6085 All year long with most holidays

Topsham - Thursdays 6:30 - 8:30, Grange Hall  
Patti Tillotson 833-2329

Kennebunkport - Sundays 5:30 - 7:30, Community House  
Morven Troost 967-3813

Greenland, N.H. Fridays 7:30 - 9:30, Greenland Parish Hall  
Laurie Stevens 603-773-9795

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# November 2009

| Sunday  | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday   | Saturday   |
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| 1<br>♪ Carthage - Concert<br>♪ Topsham - Concert<br>🎶 K'bunkport - Scottish                       | 2 ○   | 3<br>♪ Lewiston - Concert  | 4<br>♪ Carthage - Concert<br>♪ Falmouth - Concert  | 5<br>♪ Camden - Concert<br>🎶 Dover NH - Contra<br>🎶 Topsham - Scottish<br>🎶 Ellsworth - Int Folk<br>♪ Old Town - Concert<br>♪ Unity - Concert | 6<br>🎶 Belfast - Contra<br>🎶 GreenlandNH-Scottish<br>♪ Blue Hill - Concert                                     | 7<br>🎶 Falmouth - Contra<br>🎶 Blue Hill - Contra<br>♪ Belfast - Concert<br>🎶 Bath-Auth Movement<br>♪ Dexter-Concert<br>🎶 Portland - Ballroom |
| 8<br>🎶 K'bunkport - Scottish<br>🎶 Rockland - Contra<br>♪ Rockland-Ballroom<br>♪ Topsham - Concert | 9 ◐<br>🎶 Belfast - Scottish<br>♪ Belfast - Singing<br>🎶 Damariscotta - Zumba<br>♪ Eastport - Singing    | 10<br>♪ Lewiston - Concert   | 11<br>♪ Carthage - Concert<br>♪ Portland - Concert | 12<br>🎶 Topsham - Scottish<br>🎶 Ellsworth - Int Folk<br>♪ Unity - Concert   | 13<br>🎶 GreenlandNH-Scottish   | 14<br>🎶 N.Yarmouth - Fam/contra<br>🎶 Farmington - Contra<br>🎶 Orono - Contra<br>♪ Steuben - Concert<br>🎶 Portland - Ballroom                 |
| 15<br>🎶 K'bunkport - Scottish<br>♪ Waterville - Singing   | 16 ●<br>🎶 Belfast - Scottish<br>🎶 Damariscotta - Zumba<br>♪ Hollowell - Concert<br>♪ Eastport - Singing | 17<br>♪ Ellsworth - Concert  | 18<br>♪ Carthage - Concert                         | 19<br>🎶 Topsham - Scottish<br>🎶 Ellsworth - Int Folk<br>♪ Unity - Concert   | 20<br>🎶 GreenlandNH-Scottish<br>🎶 Bangor - Contra<br>🎶 Bath - Contra<br>♪ Bowdoin - Concert                    | 21<br>🎶 Trenton - Contra<br>🎶 Bowdoinham - Contra<br>🎶 Bath-Auth Movement<br>♪ Bowdoinham - Concert<br>🎶 Portland - Ballroom                 |
| 22<br>🎶 K'bunkport - Scottish<br>♪ Carthage - Concert<br>♪ Carthage - Workshop                    | 23<br>🎶 Belfast - Scottish<br>🎶 Damariscotta - Zumba<br>♪ Eastport - Singing                            | 24 ◐<br>♪ Carthage - Banquet   | 25   | 26<br>🎶 Topsham - Scottish<br>🎶 Ellsworth - Int Folk<br>🎶 Bar Harbor - Int Folk   | 27<br>🎶 GreenlandNH-Scottish<br>🎶 N.Whitefield - Contra<br>♪ Winter Harbor - Concert                           | 28<br>🎶 Rockport - Contra<br>🎶 Kingston NH - Contra<br>🎶 Portland - Ballroom   |
| 29<br>🎶 K'bunkport - Scottish<br>🎶 Belfast - Contra   | 30<br>🎶 Belfast - Scottish<br>🎶 Damariscotta - Zumba<br>♪ Eastport - Singing                            |  |  |   |  |  |
|   | Code:<br>🎶 Dance<br>♪ Participatory event<br>♪ Concert  | <h2 style="margin: 0;">DEFFA DEADLINE</h2> <h2 style="margin: 0;">16th of the MONTH</h2> |  |   | <b>OCTOBER</b><br>1 2 3<br>4 5 6 7 8 9 10<br>11 12 13 14 15 16 17<br>18 19 20 21 22 23 24<br>25 26 27 28 29 30 | <b>DECEMBER</b><br>1 2 3 4 5<br>6 7 8 9 10 11 12<br>13 14 15 16 17 18 19<br>20 21 22 23 24 25 26<br>27 28 29 30 31                           |

# Contradance 8 p.m.

4th Saturday of every month  
At Simonton Corners, Rockport



Autumn 2009

Presented by Coastal Dance Association

FMI, 462-3304 or [www.simontoncorners.com](http://www.simontoncorners.com) • Only \$7, that's all!  
Open to Everyone, Families Welcome, No Experience Necessary

November 28

# Frank Ferrel & Friends

with caller John McIntire

Saturday November 14 cont'd

✪✪ North Yarmouth, **Contradance with French Roast and calling by Maggie Robinson.** Michelle Kaminsky fiddle, Alan Bradbury bass & accordion, Mark Wholley guitar, Jim Joseph accordion, banjo, feet. Fam Dance 6pm \$3/12. Open Stage led by Marlene Sinyard email me for tunes Potluck 7:30 bring food Beginner Session 8pm Contradance 8:30-12 \$10/7. Info: 712-2837 or [jeffraym@gmail.com](mailto:jeffraym@gmail.com).

✪✪ Orono, **Contradance with the Marsh Island Band.** Orono Community House. All dances taught. Beginners coached at 7:30 p.m. Everybody welcome to participate! Dancing at 8 p.m. \$7. Info: 942-5471.

♪ Steuben, **The Grist Mill Boys.** The Grist Mill Boys, a local bluegrass band, will perform November 14 at 7 p.m. at the Humboldt Institute (aka Eagle Hill) in Steuben. This event will be part of the Institute's community program schedule. Attendees are encouraged to come early for soup, bread, and other refreshments, which will be available at 6:00 pm. The suggested donation for the concert at Eagle Hill is \$5. For directions or other information, call 546-2821 or e-mail [anne@eaglehill.us](mailto:anne@eaglehill.us).

Sunday November 15

♪ Waterville, **Sacred Harp Singing.** First Baptist Church, 1 Park St. The shapenote singing is primarily from the The Sacred Harp which consists of hymns, fusing tunes, anthems, and other songs in a style rooted in Colonial New England. Books are available for loan or purchase. The singing is held on the third Sunday of each month. 2-5 p.m. There will also be a potluck meal after the singing (from 5 to 6 pm) at the church, so please bring something to share. There are kitchen facilities available at the church. Info: 873-4134 or email [Watervillesingings\(at\)mainesacredharp.org](mailto:Watervillesingings(at)mainesacredharp.org).

Monday November 16

✪✪ Hallowell, **Ladies of the Lake.** Slates Restaurant, in Hallowell, part of thier Monday Night Concert series. Come enjoy a celebration of fall with Ellen Gawler on the Fiddle, Maggie Ericson on guitar and button accordin, Sharon Pine on the wooden flute, and Kristen Tesher on the guitar and celtic harp, celebrating the season with a fine collection of songs and tunes in the Celtic tradition. Dinner 6:00 Concert, 8:15. Reservations recommended. Call: 622-9575.

Tuesday November 17

♪ Ellsworth, **Andrea Beaton house concert.** One of Cape Breton's most promising young fiddlers. Contact Steve Peer at 667-4289.

Wednesday November 18

♪ Carthage, **Andrea Beaton.** Skye Theatre, 2 Highland Drive, South Carthage. Presented by New England Celtic Arts. One of Cape Breton's most promising young fiddlers. 7 p.m. Pre-show jam at 6:15. \$10. Info 800-894-4300 or [www.necelticarts.com](http://www.necelticarts.com).

Thursday November 19

♪ Unity, **Andrea Beaton.** Unity College Center for the Performing Arts. Presented by New England Celtic Arts. One of Cape Breton's most promising young fiddlers. 7:30 pm. \$10. Info 800-894-4300 or [www.necelticarts.com](http://www.necelticarts.com).

Friday November 20

✪✪ Bangor, **Contradance with Ti' Acadie and caller Bill Olson.** Unitarian Universalist Church, 120 Park Street, downtown Bangor. Also, a Cape Breton Step Dancing Class from 7-8 pm just before the dance, taught by Bob McCormick. For cost and more information, contact Mary Anne Eason at 941-9727. 8pm dance, 7:30 beginners session. \$7 per person, \$18 per family of three or more. For more information: [bangorcontra@gmail.com](mailto:bangorcontra@gmail.com); 941-9727 or 525-4538.

✪✪ Bath, **Contradance with Tamora Goltz, David Stimson, & Glen Loper and Chrissy Fowler calling.** NEW LOCATION FOR THIS SERIES: Bath Dance Works, 72 Front Street, Third Floor, Bath ME. Family Dance 6:30-8 p.m. Contradance 8-11 p.m. \$3/\$12 family max for Family Dance. \$9/\$22 for Contradance. FMI: Call Matt at 729-4718.

♪ Bowdoin, **Andrea Beaton house concert.** One of Cape Breton's most promising young fiddlers. Contact Val Mann at 207-729-2467.

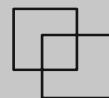
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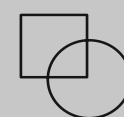
♪ Concert

## Easy Square Dancing

This Fall: Bangor and Belfast



Joseph 525-3010  
Cindy 368-5985



**Saturday November 21**

✪✪ **Bath, Authentic Movement.** Bath Dance Works, 72 Front St. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. \$10  
Info: 725-9997 or dancingfewl@pobox.com.

✪✪ **Bowdoinham, Contradance with Scrod Pudding (Pam Weeks, Greg Anderson, Jim Joseph, Eric Johnson, and Bill Olson), calling by Bill Olson.** Colorful contras at Bowdoinham Town Hall, School Street. All dances taught, beginners welcome. No partner necessary. Beginners workshop 7:30. Dance 8:00 - 11 pm. \$8/equal barter. Use your Scrod Bucks!! Limit one Scrod Buck per person per dance. Info: Greg, 666-3090 or Pam, 666-3709.

♪ **Bowdoinham, Lynn Deeves and Colleen Sexton.** House concert at the Whittleseys, 182 Ridge Road, Bowdoinham. 7pm. Suggested donation \$10 (all goes to the musicians). Info: 666 5525 or whittlesey@interpeace.org.

✪✪ **Trenton, Contradance with Live Bait with Tavi Merrill calling.** Contras at Trenton Grange Hall, junction of Rtes. 230 and 3 just south of Hancock County Airport in Trenton. All dances taught, beginners welcome. No partner necessary. 8:00 p.m. \$7/\$5 students. Info: Gary, 460-1463 or Malcolm, 667-0040.

**Sunday November 22**

♪ **Carthage, Cape Breton style step dance workshop.** Skye Theatre, 2 Highland Drive, South Carthage. Presented by New England Celtic Arts. Bob McCormick will present a workshop on Cape Breton style step dancing prior to the Ladies of the Lake concert. 11:00 am. Info 800-894-4300 or www.necelticarts.com.

♪ **Carthage, Ladies of the Lake.** Skye Theatre, 2 Highland Drive, South Carthage. This band adds their own Maine sparkle to the music which immigrated here with the Irish and the Scots when they came to work in the lumber camps and mills of Maine and New Brunswick. 2 pm. \$10. Info 800-894-4300 or www.necelticarts.com.

## **Wescustogo Dance Series**

**Wescustogo Hall, Rt. 115 North Yarmouth, Maine**

**2nd Saturday November 14th**

**French Roast**

**with Maggie Robinson calling**

French Roast is: Michelle Kaminsky fiddle, Alan Bradbury bass and accordion, Mark Wholley guitar, Jim Joseph accordian, banjo, feet.

**Family Dance 6pm \$3/12**

**Open Stage led by Marlene Sinyard email me for tunes**

**Potluck 7:30 bring food**

**Beginner Session 8pm \* Contradance 8:30-12 \$10/7**

There is a fiddle tune session every Thursday at 16 Elmwood Rd in Pownal 6:30-9:30

There is a beginner fiddle lesson every other Sunday in Topsham led by Maggie Robinson

For more info & email updates please join the google group

Maine Folk News at <http://groups.google.com/group/mainefolk-news>  
or call 207-712-2837

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## **Hear Ye!**

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**Calling all**

**Traditional and Folk Musicians, Performers, and Artists**

It is that time of year again!

Once again, **Phil Locke** has offered to compile listings for the  
**2010 DEFFA Guide to Maine Folk Artists,  
Musicians, & Performers**

The Guide will be posted on the DEFFA website, [www.deffa.org](http://www.deffa.org).

It will contain listings and descriptions of active folk musicians, dance bands and leaders, and folk artists. To be included in the listings send your information to Phil at:

[locke@math.umaine.edu](mailto:locke@math.umaine.edu)

or

**55 Boutelle Rd., Bangor, ME 04401**

**Deadline for inclusion is December 12, 2009**

**Tuesday November 24**

♪ **Carthage, Saint Andrews Society 2009 Banquet.** Skye Theatre, 2 Highland Drive, South Carthage. Presented by New England Celtic Arts. Potluck Supper, Entertainment by SASME Scholarship Recipients 6 pm. \$10. Info 800-894-4300 or www.necelticarts.com.

**Friday November 27**

✪✪ **North Whitefield, Contradance with Calliope and Kim Roberts calling.** Contras and more at St. Denis Parish Hall, Rt.126. 8:00 P.M. \$8. Presented by Shoestring Dance. Info: 549-3820.

♪ **Winter Harbor, Katahdin Valley Boys.** Traditional Acoustic Bluegrass. Last Friday Coffee House in Hammond Hall. No reservations and great desserts! Presented by Schoodic Arts for All. 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 6:30. Suggested donation for this event is fifteen dollars - Kids under twelve admitted free. Info: 963-7670, 963-2569 or [www.schoodicartsforall.org](http://www.schoodicartsforall.org).

**Saturday November 28**

✪✪ **Kingston, NH, Contradance with Old Grey Goose.** Contra dancing at the Town Hall, 163 Main Street. Everybody welcome. 8-11 p.m. \$8/5 students & seniors. Info: (603)772-5355 or [glenncopp@rcn.com](mailto:glenncopp@rcn.com).

✪✪ **Rockport, Contradance with Frank Ferrel & Friends, calling by John McIntire.** All dances taught. Everybody invited. No partner necessary. Don't forget to bring your drinking water. A donation of a few sticks of firewood to help heat the hall during winter months is greatly appreciated! Dancing, 8-11 p.m. \$7. Info: 462-3304 or visit our website [www.simontoncorners.com](http://www.simontoncorners.com).

**Sunday November 29**

✪✪ **Belfast, Thanksgiving Survivors Dance.** Fundraiser for the Down East Country Dance Festival. Contadancing and more. American Legion Hall, 143 High St.(entrance on Church St.) Noon to 6 pm. \$12. Info: 563-8953, email [downeastfestival@starleft.org](mailto:downeastfestival@starleft.org) or online at [www.deffa.org](http://www.deffa.org).



## Dance History

### Girls of Belfast

Submitted by Alex Mann

Several years ago I came across a book called "The Ball-Room Manual of Contra Dances and Social Cotillions". It was published in Belfast, Maine between 1856 and 1866 as a vest pocket book for the "fancy dances" they were doing and specifically to keep "the good old Contra Dances of our ancestors" alive. Eventually I want to republish this book along with the music and history I have found. I feel the current revival of Contra Dancing in Belfast is very much in the same spirit as the revival of the 1850's and '60's. With that thought in mind, I would like to introduce the dances and tunes from the book to you through the DEFFA newsletter.

To start here is the "home town dance" of Belfast.

Girls of Belfast  
To "Otis's Quickstep"

First couple join right hands, swing half round, give left hand to the second couple, balance four in a line, swing the left hand –

Down the centre, back, cast off –

Ladies chain –

Down the outside, back to place below one –

Forward and back six, first couple swing half round –

Right and left.

Note: In the 1850's a swing was much like a right or left allemande, hence "join right hands, swing half round".

#### Otis Quick Step



## Weekly Events

### Sundays

✱ Kennebunkport, **Scottish Country Dancing**, at Community House 5:30-7:30 p.m. Info: Morven Troost, 967-3813.

### Mondays

✱ Belfast, **Scottish Country Dance Classes**, American Legion Hall, 7:30-9:30 p.m., \$3. Info: David Thompson 469-3293.

♪ Damariscotta, **Basic Zumba** with Peruvian native, Antonio Rueda-Garretton, Spectrum Generations Coastal Community Center, 521 Main St, www.ZumbaME.com.

♪ Eastport, **Balkan Choir** Every Monday night, 6:30 to 8:30 at 18 Shackford St. Singers and visitors welcome. Info: Balkanistas.org.

### Thursdays

✱ Ellsworth, **International Folk Dancing**, at St Andrews Lutheran Church, Rt 1 & 184. Emphasis on Balkan. Teaching 7-8, requests 8-9 p.m. \$2. Info: 664-7594

✱ Topsham, **Scottish Country Dancing**, Grange Hall in Topsham. 6:30-8:30 p.m. Info: Patti, 833-2329.

### Fridays

✱ Greenland NH, **Scottish Country Dancing**, at Greenland Parish Hall. 7:30-9:30 p.m. Info: Laurie, 603-773-9795.

### Saturdays

✱ Portland, **Ballroom Dancing**, Maine Ballroom Dance, 614 Congress Street, Portland 8-12 pm, \$7. FMI 773-0002 or email info@maineballroomdancing.com

## Bowdoinham Dance Series

3rd Saturdays

Bowdoinham Town Hall  
School Street - Bowdoinham, ME



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Saturday - Nov. 21st

SCROD PUDDING  
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[Http://abacus.bates.edu/~ganderso/scrod.html](http://abacus.bates.edu/~ganderso/scrod.html)

Beginners 7:30  
Contras 8-11 pm

Beginners Welcomed!  
Goodies at half-time!

Info: Greg 666-3090  
Pam 666-3709

Use those Scrod Bucks today!!

Take I-295 to Exit 37 (Bowdoin-Bowdoinham)- EAST on Rt 125/138 - proceed straight on that road to School Street - turn right - Town Hall is at the crest of the hill on the right.

## Jams and Swaps

- **Belfast, Fiddle Tune Jam**, 2nd & 4th Sundays, in the FallOut Shelter at Waterfall Arts, 256 High St. \$3. 6-8 pm. Info: 589-3025 or pamelamckeen@myfairpoint.net.
- **Brunswick, Side Door Coffeehouse**, 3rd Friday. Open mike, 7 p.m., featured performer, 9 p.m. 1 Middle Street, Brunswick, Info: Pat Gardiner, 443-5487.
- **Dennysville, Old Time Music Circle**, 2nd & 4th Mondays at the Dennysville Youth Center. Bring a song, or tune to share. 7-10 p.m. Info: Alan, 733-2154
- **Ellsworth, Open Mic**, 3rd Saturdays at Ellsworth Unitarian Church. Music, stories, poetry. \$2 donation requested, inexpensive coffee, tea, and snacks. Info: 359-8934
- **Kennebunkport, River Tree Arts Music Swaps**, Last Friday at Kennebunkport Community House, 7:30 pm, \$2, Info: 985-4343. Original and traditional music encouraged.
- **Northeast Harbor, First Friday Coffeehouse**, 1st Fridays, at Redfield Artisan's Gallery, 125 Main St in Northeast Harbor. Refreshments available. Open mic 7-8 p.m. Featured artist 8-9. Info: jblank@nelibrary.org
- **Orono, DADGAD Open Mic Coffeehouse**, 4th Saturday, Keith Anderson Community Ctr, Bennoch Rd. Orono. 6 pm jam & sign-up. \$3 includes coffee. Info: 942-3827 or www.dadgadcoffeehouse.com.
- **Pownal, Fiddle Tune Jam Thursdays**, Elmwood Road, Pownal. Info: www.somefolk.org, or Jeff, 712-2837 or jeffraym@gmail.com(subject:music).
- **Portland, Weekly Old Time Music Jam**, southern Appalachian music, Thursdays starting at 6 p.m. at Artistic Artisans, 1 Forest Ave, (corner of Forest and Congress St.) Portland. Info: 767-2157 or atleson@buffalo.edu.
- **Turner, Traditional Music Jam**, 2nd Wednesday of the month. 7-9 pm, at Nezinscot Farm, 284 Turner Center Road, Turner (on Rte 117, 1 mile NE of Rte 4). Refreshments available. Info: Roberta Hill, 336-2980 or lwrma2@mealink.net.



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### NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Listings should include town, event or performer name, address, brief description, time, admission, and contact information. Send listings & advertisements to:

**DEFFA Editors Richard & Pam Green**  
**19 Pine Needle Alley, Wayne, Maine 04284**  
**(207) 685-8141 or E-mail: editor@deffa.org**

### MEMBERSHIP

Membership fee is \$20 per year. Each membership will receive a single \$5 discount for the Down East Country Dance Festival admission. Membership includes a subscription to the newsletter and voting rights at the annual meeting and election. Members encouraged to consider volunteering to serve on the board or committees.

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**323 Crosby Brook Rd, Unity, ME 04988**  
**E-mail: circleleft@uninets.net**

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| Nov 1  | Pineland Fiddlers                     | Skye Theater  |
| Nov 3  | Le Vent du Nord                       | Franco American Heritage Center                       |
| Nov 4  | Le Vent du Nord                       | Lakeside Theater                                      |
| Nov 5  | Le Vent du Nord                       | Unity College Center for the<br>Performing Arts, 7:30 |
| Nov 10 | Folk Arts Quartet                     | Franco American Heritage Center                       |
| Nov 11 | Folk Arts Quartet                     | Skye Theater  |
| Nov 12 | Folk Arts Quartet                     | Unity College Center for the<br>Performing Arts, 7:30 |
| Nov 18 | Andrea Beaton                         | Skye Theater  |
| Nov 19 | Andrea Beaton                         | Unity College Center for the<br>Performing Arts, 7:30 |
| Nov 22 | Ladies of the Lake                    | Skye Theater  |
| Nov 22 | Step Dance Workshop                   | Skye Theater  |
| Nov 25 | Saint Andrews Society<br>2009 Banquet | Franco American Heritage Center                       |

**PLUS:**

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| Nov 17 | Andrea Beaton house concert in Ellsworth |
| Nov 20 | Andrea Beaton house concert in Bowdoin   |

- Shows start at 7 PM unless noted otherwise, 7:30. Pre-show Jam around 6:30 (No Jam at the Lakeside Theater)
- Tickets are \$10 each/\$5 kids at door, unless otherwise noted
- Call 207-562-4445 for reservations, directions, or other information
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