

# January – June 2017

## Ethnic Dances from the Balkans and Beyond, following the Linscott Tradition

# Kopachka Folk Dancers



**Strawberry Recreation Center, 118 E. Strawberry Drive, Mill Valley**

Exit Hwy.101 at Tiburon Blvd. (131); Go east towards Tiburon for 3/4 mile to E. Strawberry Drive. Turn right, then go straight to the parking lot entry on right.

**Entry \$7 | Monthly Pass with 1st week free | First time free**

### From the President's Corner

Happy New Year! This dance year, since September 2016, we've had a good turn out of returning dancers. Membership chair, **John Carroll** has been actively recruiting new members, too. It only takes coming 6 times to become a member, then deciding if you'd like to join the group (no fee involved), just a desire to want to be a regular part of the community. Anyone can get involved: prepare the program with program chair **Elizabeth Settel's** help, learn to play the music – just ask vice president **Nadav Nur** or suggest a guest teacher or dance you'd like to have taught (write it in the book prepared by **Toni Denmark**), set up or stack the chairs helping John, put out the words for songs (Toni's work too), write the dances on the white board, or just bring a refreshment item, as many of you have done. **Richard Paoli** keeps us in line by handling our accounting, if ever you want to see the books...he helps with the chairs, too. Ask **Gail Hurwitz** to share the dance notes she's been organizing as special projects chair. Our publicity chair **Marilyn Wronsky** distributes flyers and emails to other groups, in case you have a group for

our mailing list. Secretary **Gloria Cote** takes our board meeting minutes, so if you're interested, just ask her. And, lastly, only members may vote, and may also run for an officer position in June!

**Charitable donations:** Kopachka received several donations in December, as we have 501(c)3 status through our membership in the *Folk Dance Federation of California*. Thank you to our donors!

**Guest teachers:** We are thrilled to have **Marilyn Smith** returning this **January 20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>** as our guest teacher. We thank **Carol Friedman**, our guest teacher in December, plus members **Jerry Duke, Gail Hurwitz, Nadav Nur & Jane Tripi** who all taught this fall.

**Save-the-date >> Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>** for a dance party with **ZABAVA!** featuring Bill Cope & friends, 8-11pm. We have a live dance party twice a year. Last October we welcomed back **BULGARICA** for their first stop in the Bay Area.

Much more is in store for 2017. Come join us, as we dance for a good year!

Susie Shoaf, president  
Kopachka Folk Dancers

## NEWSLETTER

### Friday Calendar

#### JANUARY 2017

6 all requests

13

Guest teacher **20 Marilyn Smith**

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#### FEBRUARY 2017

3 all requests

10

17

24

#### MARCH 2017

3 all requests

10

17

24

one night **31** at Golf Clubhouse

#### APRIL 2017

7 all requests

14

FREE -Bay Area **21** Dance Week

**PARTY- 28 -ZABAVA!**

#### MAY 2017

5 all requests

12

19

26

#### JUNE 2017

2 all requests

9

16 last night

**Summer Break until Sept. 8th**

### SCHEDULE

7:30-8pm:

beg.-interm. teaching

8-8:30pm:

interm.-adv. teaching

8:30-10:30pm:

Dance Program  
with light refreshments

**First Friday monthly**

**All Requests:**

**7:30-10:30pm**

**No teaching**

**Hardly Strictly Balkan Party with LIVE Music by**  
**ZABAVA!**

**Friday, April 28, 2017 8-11pm \$12**

ENERGETIC, POIGNANT AND RHYTHMICALLY DAZZLING MUSIC FROM BULGARIA, MACEDONIA, GREECE AND THE ROM THAT WILL DRIVE YOU TO DANCE!  
 Bill Cope ⊗ Corinne Sykes ⊗ Michele Simon ⊗ Rich Schultz ⊗ Tom Farris

**KOPACHKA Folk Dancers - Teaching and Dancing, Fridays**  
 Join us at Strawberry Rec Center, 118 E Strawberry Dr, Mill Valley, CA  
 INFO: NADAV NUR nadavnur@gmail.com - kopachkafolk dancers.com




(118 E. Strawberry Drive, Mill Valley.  
 See map to Strawberry on website.)

**Mendocino Folklore Camp register NOW**  
**June 17-24, 2017**

Register by January 15<sup>th</sup> and get a discount of \$30 for camp. <http://www.mendocinofolklore.com>

**DANCE**

- Cristian Florescu & Sonia Dion** (Romanian)
- Roo Lester** with **Harry Khamis** (Scandinavian)
- Yannis Konstantinou** (Greek Macedonian)

**Additional Dance With:**

- Billy Burke** (Salsa Rueda, International Folk Dance)
- Linda DeNike** (Sacred Circle, Morning Movement)
- Lynnanne Hanson-Miller** (Polynesian)

**SINGING**

- Beata Bermuda** (Folk Songs of Scandinavia)
- Michele Simon** (Balkan Favorites)
- Teacher (tba)

**MUSIC**

- Beata Bermuda** (Scandinavian Ensemble)
- Bill Cope** (Beg./Int. Bulgarian/Macedonian Tambura)
- Michele Simon** (Balkan Singing, Balkan Drumming)
- Chris Thomas** (Beg. Accordion, Polka Band)



(Photos on this page from the dance party with BUGARIKA on October 21, 2016. Page 1 photos from Koprivshitsa, Bulgaria.)

**2016-2017**  
**Board Members**

Susie Shoaf, president  
 Nadav Nur, vice president  
 Gloria Coté, secretary  
 Richard Paoli, treasurer  
 John Carroll, membership  
 Gail Hurwitz, special projects  
 Elizabeth Settel, programs & elections  
 Marilyn Wronsky, publicity & special events

**Contact:**

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**Financial Report**

2016-2017 dance year to date

July 1, 2016 balance: **\$5,750**

**Expenses:** **\$3,738**

- Rent \$2,125
- Music/teaching \$ 950
- Website \$ 292
- Printing/ads \$ 103
- Insurance/fees \$ 170
- Supplies \$ 98

**Income:** **\$3,400**

- Door \$3,050
- Donations \$ 350

Net loss (\$ 338)

Dec. 31, 2016 balance: **\$5,412**

