

January - June 2020

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

Kopachka Folk Dancers

NEWSLETTER

Friday Calendar

JANUARY 2020

3 all requests

10

17

PARTY - 24 - ZABAVA

31

>> FEBRUARY >> MOVING

to Almonte 7 all requests

14

21

28

MARCH

6 all requests

13

20

27

APRIL

3 all requests

10

17

24

MAY

PARTY - 1 - EDESSA

(at Strawberry Rec. Ctr.)

8 all requests

15

22

29

JUNE

5 all requests

12

19

SCHEDULE

7:30-8pm:

beg/interm. teaching

8-8:30pm:

interm/adv. teaching

8:30-10:00pm:

Dance Program

with light refreshments

First Friday/month

All Requests:

7:30-10:00pm

No Teaching

Entry \$7 | 1st time free

Monthly pass option

ZABAVA International

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Friday, JANUARY 24, 2020

8-10:30pm | Doors open at 7:30pm

\$15 (\$7 Students | Kids free with supervision)

Live Folk Dance Party at Kopachka

ZABAVA International features Bill Cope (gajda, bouzouki, tambura, accordion, vocals), Michele Simon (vocals, percussion), Tom Farris (guitar & tambura), and Valerie Rose (violin). One of the most popular bands in the Bay Area, they play energetic, soulful, and rhythmically dazzling music, from Bulgarian, Macedonia, the Romani, Greece, Albania, Armenia, Romania, Quebec and maybe more!

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

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From the President's Corner



KOPACHKA IS MOVING

FEBRUARY 7, 2020

to Almonte Clubhouse,

105 Wisteria Way, Mill Valley

We will remain at Strawberry through January. Then starting February 7th we have been asked to leave for Strawberry's own activities. Our parties will remain at Strawberry Rec Center. The board spent a month researching and visiting possible venues and chose Almonte for its sprung floor, light and warm ambiance. Many members already know it. Almonte is also in Mill Valley, 7 minutes from Strawberry, the same distance as going to Scout Hall. We'll provide maps. It is more challenging for parking, with only a few dedicated spots, however, just down from it is plenty of parking.

You'll need to bring a flashlight at night to light the way. We'll have signage out. *Note:* we'll be ending at Almonte at 10pm due to requests from the neighbors.

This last fall we held a Balkan dance party with **Bulgarika**. Already booked for 2020 are **Zabava International January 24th** and **Edessa returning May 1st**, both will be at Strawberry, so...**SAVE THE DATES!**

Kopachka is a member of the Folk Dance Federation of California, a 501c3 charitable organization. If you've donated in the past, we thank you. Any future donations are always appreciated. Please consider it. Check out our website or see us on Friday.

See you back **Friday, January 3rd**, at Strawberry (for all of January), then **February 7th** at Almonte Clubhouse.

Susie Shoaf, president
Kopachka Folk Dancers

Remembering Nancy Linscott

We are so sad to share that Nancy Linscott died October 26, 2019 from a stroke, after living with progressive dementia for many years. She and Dean Linscott founded Kopachka Folk



Dancers in 1965, developing a renowned performance group. They were founders of the Bay Area Scandinavian dance community, and Nancy co-founder of Scandia Camp Mendocino.

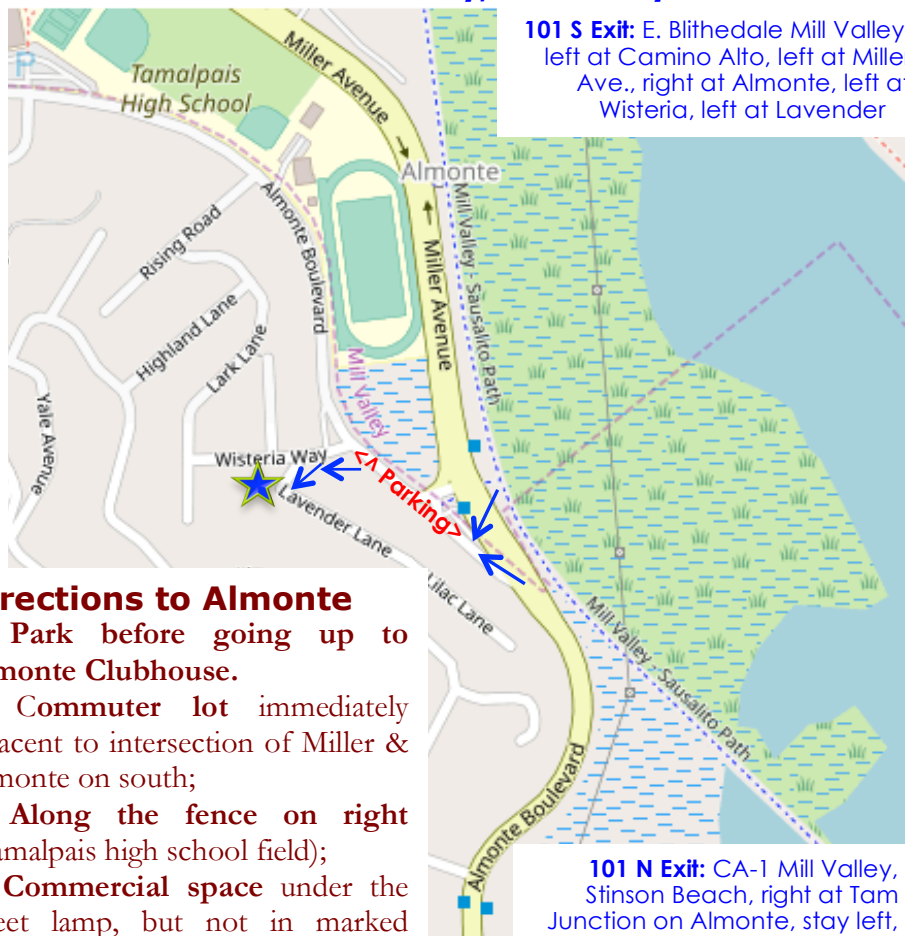
From Kopachka member Peggy Chipkin: "Nancy shepherded us through Scandinavian dancing, working delicately and with great detail on styling. Nancy was also our costume guide for Scandinavian and other Folklore costumes we made when **Kopachka Folk Dancers was a performing group.** She would choose a region for the country and draw up patterns for its costume for us to sew. Dean would choose the dances from that country that we would perform at festivals and locally."

Nancy's legacy will live on in the international dance community with so many who admired her style and grace. Our condolences go to the Linscott family here and abroad, and locally to her son Russell Linscott in Mill Valley.

Ashkenaz Balkan Dancing

Wed., Jan 1st Nadav Nur teaching
Wed., Feb. 5th Susie Shoaf teaching
7-8pm Teaching | 8-11pm Dancing
\$7 www.ashkenaz.com

 **MOVING FEB. 7th to Almonte Clubhouse,**
105 Wisteria Way, Mill Valley



101 S Exit: E. Blithedale Mill Valley, left at Camino Alto, left at Miller Ave., right at Almonte, left at Wisteria, left at Lavender

101 N Exit: CA-1 Mill Valley, Stinson Beach, right at Tam Junction on Almonte, stay left, left at Wisteria, left at Lavender

Directions to Almonte

> Park before going up to Almonte Clubhouse.

- 1) **Commuter lot** immediately adjacent to intersection of Miller & Almonte on south;
- 2) **Along the fence on right** (Tamalpais high school field);
- 3) **Commercial space** under the street lamp, but not in marked Redwood Security or Spa spots.
- 4) **Club entry off Lavender Lane** has a few tandem spots for physically challenged.

Walk up the slope 250 ft. to the Clubhouse. It's **at left of Y** at Wisteria Way & Lavender Lane.

Bring a flashlight to avoid drainage ditches, as no sidewalks.

2019-2020

Board Members

Susie Shoaf, president
Nadav Nur, vice president
Holly Hudson, secretary
Richard Paoli, treasurer
Toni Denmark, membership
Elizabeth Settel, programs
Marilyn Wronsky, publicity

Financial Report

2019-2020 dance year

July 1, 2019 balance: **\$5,995**

Income: \$3,165

Door	\$1,902
Door-Party	\$ 863
Donations	\$ 400

Expenses: **\$3,391**

Rent	\$2,275
Music/teaching	\$ 750
Website	\$ 103
Insurance/dues	\$ 40
Printing/ads	\$ 210
Supplies	\$ 13

Net income -\$ 226

Dec. 21, 2019 balance: **\$5,769**

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