

CHANCE DANCE

Friday, 2/26/10 through Sunday, 2/28/10

American Legion Hall, 2731 Thomas Drive , **Cape Girardeau, MO** 63701

- ❖ Terrific, Live Music
- ❖ Great Dancing
- ❖ Brunches and Potluck
- ❖ Money Back Guarantee (for inclement weather)
- ❖ Low, Low Price

Money Back Guarantee: If we have snow or ice, call John or Kathy Coffman at (573) 334-4706 to see if the dance has been cancelled. If you have snow or ice along your route, you may need to cancel. Either way, we will refund your money.

Two Brunches and a Potluck Dinner: We plan to serve a no-cook brunch on Saturday morning and Sunday morning. We also plan to have a potluck dinner on Saturday evening.

Help: We will ask your help (probably about 1 hour per person) with tasks such as moving tables and setting up and cleaning up the meals.

Questions: Contact John or Kathy Coffman at (573) 334-4706. johndcoffman@yahoo.com

Bands: The *White Mule* (formerly Whistlepigs) focuses mainly on old-time music of the lower Midwest, particularly that from downstate Illinois. An expanded version of the band was honored with the blue ribbon in the traditional band competition at the Appalachian String Band Festival in Clifftop in August 2008. They feature Andy Gribble on guitar, Genevieve Harrison on fiddle, and Smith Koester on banjo. *Chicory* features Martha Edwards and Ben Schreiber on fiddles, Michael Shapiro on guitar, and Mike Brown on bass. Chicory plays a New England style repertoire with a Midwestern sensibility – beautiful tunes with lots of color and an insistent forward drive. **The Side Street Steppers:** two Memphis musicians, Christian and Vera Stanfield, will play blues and swing Saturday night.

Open Calling: Bring your calling cards. We plan to have a callers' discussion during the Sunday morning brunch.

More Dancing: Dance in St. Louis Sunday evening from 7 – 10 p. Google "Childgrove Country Dancers" or go to www.childgrove.org for directions and details.

Housing: Requests for (sleeping bag) space will be considered on a first come, first served basis. Space is limited, so make your request early. If we have more requests than space, we may open up the American Legion hall for floor space. Note, the American Legion Hall has rest rooms, but not showers. Please submit housing requests with your registration, postmarked on or before 2/15/10. *I request sleeping bag space for _____ number of dancers. (Bring an air mattress or mat.) Please indicate special needs, such as smoking, allergies, etc.:*

Special Needs: _____

Tentative Schedule:

Friday: [7:30p to 11p: Contra Dance to *Chicory*]

Saturday: [10a to 12p: No Cook Brunch] [11a to 12p Waltz to CD's] [1p to 4p: Contra Dance to *Chicory*]

Saturday – Continued: [4p to 6p: Potluck] [6p to 9:30p Contra Dance to the *White Mule*] [10:00p to ?: Blues & Swing with *The Side Street Steppers*]

Sunday: [9:30a to 11a: No Cook Brunch] [10 a to 11 a: Callers' Discussion] [11a to 2p Contra Dance to the *White Mule*]

Location: American Legion Hall, 2731 Thomas Drive, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Recommended Hotel: Comfort Suites [2904 Old Orchard Rd, Jackson, MO 63755 ph 573-204-0014 "choicehotels.com" 3.5 miles from dance; Call 573-204-0014 to make a reservation before 2/19/2010 and mention "Chance Dance" to receive the special (before tax) rate of \$61.99 for up to 6 people/room. Hotel opened in March 2009, and features huge rooms, two queen beds, a sofa that pulls out into a bed, free hot breakfast, free local calls, free HBO; hotel is 100% smoke free, has indoor pool and hot tub, etc. – VERY NICE **Other Inexpensive Hotels:** [Budget Inn, 1448 N Kingshighway (573) 334-2828 (The Budget Inn is across the street from the dance; lower quality)] [Super 8 Motel, 2011 N. Kingshighway (573) 339-0808] [Town House Inn, 505 N Kingshighway (573) 335-2700] [Holiday Lodge Motel, 1918 N. Kingshighway 573-651-4698]

Directions from St. Louis: [Total distance from St. Louis is about **115 miles.**] Take I-55 South (about 105 miles) to exit 99. At the end of the exit ramp, turn left (Southeast) on US 61 (Be careful turning left; US 61 is a divided highway. As you enter Cape Girardeau, US 61 becomes Kingshighway). Travel about 2.8 miles on US 61 until you reach Thomas Drive on the right side of the road. (Thomas Drive is a small, "easy to miss," street; it is across the street from the Budget Inn.). Turn right (West) on Thomas Drive. Travel about 500 feet until you see the American Legion Hall on the left. It is a fairly large building with beige metal siding.

Directions from Memphis: [Total distance from Memphis is about **173 miles.**] Take I-55 North (about 162 miles) to exit 96. At the end of the exit ramp, turn right (East) onto Route K (William Street). Travel East on William Street for about 1.5 miles until you reach US 61 (MO 34, S.Kingshighway) Turn left (North) on US 61 (S. Kingshighway). Travel North about 1.9 miles on US 61 (S. Kingshighway) until you reach Thomas Drive on the left side of the road. (Thomas Drive is a small, "easy to miss," street; it is across the street from the Budget Inn, just before you reach the Budget Inn.). Turn left (West) on Thomas Drive. Travel about 500 feet until you see the American Legion Hall on the left. It is a fairly large building with beige metal siding.

Registration: Take advantage of early registration prices and our money back guarantee for inclement weather. We will send you a confirming e-mail when we receive your registration.

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Name(s): _____ Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Phone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Entire Weekend (postmarked **on or before 2/15/10**): \$39 X _____ = \$ _____

Entire Weekend (postmarked after 2/15/10): \$46 X _____ = \$ _____

*Saturday Only (All Day): \$25 X _____ = \$ _____

*Individual Session (please specify) Fri eve, Sat afternoon, Sat eve, Sun noon: \$15 X _____ = \$ _____

*All sessions include meals for that day **Total Enclosed:** \$ _____

Students ½ price

Make checks payable to: **John Coffman**
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