

## We welcome you to join us for the last of our Workshop/Dance Saturdays

Saturday, April 4, 2020

Come to one or ALL of the events!



### Details of the day:

#### **Joy of Contras (Newcomer Workshop) 1pm - 2:30pm - FREE!**

Learn what makes contra dancing so much fun! Our out of town instructor Susan Dankovich will make it easy to learn how to swing and be able to dance all the other moves that make up contras. For those who know how to contra dance, this session is great review of why you love to dance! No partners are necessary and all are welcome. Best of all it is free!

#### **Swings, Heys and Contra Corners - Intermediate Workshop - 3pm - 4:30pm - Only \$5 or \$10 with dance admission**

This workshop will allow us the time to dance a bunch of interesting and more challenging contras. Those who are new to contra dancing are welcome so long as they have participated in the Joy of Contras workshop.

#### **Potluck Dinner - 5:00 - 6:45pm**

We will provide roast chicken, water, and plates, utensils and napkins. Please bring a dish to share and RSVP so we will be sure to have enough chicken, chairs and tables set up.

#### **Dance! 7 - 10pm - \$8 adults; \$5 Students & folks over 62; Free for kids under 12**

We will start the first 15-30 minutes with a newcomer's lesson, so if you weren't able to make it to the workshop, you can still feel encouraged to join us!

#### **A little about our Instructor/Caller:**

Ready to dance anywhere at any time with everyone, **Susan Dankovich** from Spokane, has taught swing, waltz,

Cajun, clogging, a huge variety of folk/cultural dance as well as called contras for the past 30 years. Community dancing is a mission for Susan. Her Fourth Friday Contra and the First Friday Family Dance and Potluck are her two mainstays for bringing people together to express and recreate themselves. Her goal is for people to join with others, have a lighthearted time and then take that positive feeling back to the rest of their lives.

Susan also directs a non-profit group, the Silver Spurs Youth Folk Dancers and teaches Argentine tango. She has taught swing, waltz, and folk dance at the Lady of the Lake Music and Dance Camps in Coeur d'Alene, ID, introduced music teachers to folk and contra dance at the first Smithsonian World Music Workshop held at Eastern Washington University in 2019, and taught for four years at the Sons of Norway Heritage Camp in Coeur d'Alene/Post Falls. Theatrically, she has choreographed for Spokane Civic Theatre, Spokane Interplayers, and Whitworth College. Performing with three amateur folk dance groups has allowed her to travel to Europe.

Whether through watching or participating, dance brings people together to share a moment in time. It's just fun!

**And now our band:**

**Contraversatile** hails from Yakima, Washington. They've played many of our contra dances these past couple of years and provide a great rhythm and energy for our dances! Contraversatile is comprised of Gary Miller on fiddle, Lynnel Rowan playing the Bodhran drum, Len Rickey on the guitar, Nancy Chott on fiddle and Shelly Jenkins on piano.





**Location: Masonic Lodge, 412 Thayer Drive, Richland, WA**

**Cost:** Joy of Contras Newcomer's Workshop - **Free!**

Advanced Workshop - \$5 or \$10

Dance - \$8 adult; \$5 Student and 62 or older; Free - kids 12 and under

**RSVP or ask questions by replying to this message or texting 509-308-7420**

    **Hope to see you soon!** 