



# Country Dancers of Rochester

Calendar for Spring 2009

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	Date	Caller	Music
Contra	<b>March 26</b>	Bob Nicholson	<b>Jessi Howard Gang</b> <i>Jessi Combs on fiddle and guitar, Howard Blumenthal on fiddle and mandolin and possibly surprise guests to round out the sound.</i>
Contra	<b>April 2</b>	Sarah Van Norstrand	<b>Doc &amp; the Snake Oil String Band</b> <i>Marie Brate, Stephen Bland, Ted Sherwood &amp; Dick Bolt play lively music with fun and verve</i>
English	<b>April 5</b>	Richard Sauvain	<b>Heart's Delight</b> <i>Syracuse musicians David Smukler, Laurel Sharp, Zeke Smukler, Eileen Nicholson, and John Wobus</i>
Contra	<b>April 9</b>	Sarah Van Norstrand	<b>Montage</b> <i>Jane Knoeck, Tom Santarsiero and Rachel Bell create a panorama of sounds and styles, varied combinations of old and new tunes</i>
Contra	<b>April 16</b>	Dave Colestock	<b>Ari Friedman, Mia Friedman, Owen Marshall</b> <i>Traveling New England musicians create an innovative sound on fiddle, banjo, cello, guitar and mandolin</i>
English	<b>April 19</b>	Pamela Goddard	<b>Diane Hershey and Fred Vine</b> <i>Versatile fiddling and creative guitar</i>
Contra	<b>April 23</b>	Richard Sauvain	<b>Geneseo String Band</b> <i>Perennial favorite led by Jim Kimball with talented musicians from Geneseo</i>
Contra	<b>April 30</b>	Katy Heine	<b>Brendan Taaffe &amp; Tom Hodgson</b> <i>Energetic Irish fiddling with superb guitar accompaniment</i>
English	<b>May 2</b>	<i>Experienced English dance with a cavalcade of callers, and music by <b>Arugula Covenant Church</b> 8 - 11 pm. Familiarity with English dance figures and style assumed.</i>	
English	<b>May 3</b>	<b>Jane Austen Ball:</b> <i>Joanna Reiner, dance mistress; music by <a href="#">Lost in Austen</a> See details <a href="#">here</a> or <a href="#">print a flyer here</a></i>	
Contra	<b>May 7</b>	Bev Birnbaum	<b>Esteemed Clams</b> <i>Lively old-time music with Kathy Vandemortel on fiddle, Stephen Bland on banjo and Fred Filbrich on bass.</i>
Contra	<b>May 14</b>	Nancy Spero	<b>Wildroot String Band</b> <i>Hot old-time music with Tom Owens, Stephen Bland, Bruce Brown, and David Frenzel</i>
English	<b>May 17</b>	David Smukler	<b>Kathy Selby, John Wobus and Hope Greitzer</b> <i>Great fiddling and a steady beat make for perfect dance music.</i>
Contra	<b>May 21</b>	Sharon Perry	<b>Doc &amp; the Snake Oil String Band</b> <i>with Marie Brate, Stephen Bland, Ted Sherwood &amp; Dick Bolt--lots of fun!</i>
Contra	<b>May 28</b>	Pamela Goddard	<b>Confluence</b> <i>A fabulous mother-daughter duo, with Nadine Dyskant-Miller on flute and foot percussion, Barbara Dyskant on piano.</i>
Contra	<b>June 4</b>	Dave Brown	<b>TBD</b>
Contra	<b>June 11</b>	Kathy Fox	<b>Tunescape</b> <i>one of Upstate NY's hottest bands, with Rachel Bell, accordion, Jodi Austin, piano, Jon Avery, fiddle, and Peter Blue, percussion</i>

## About our regular dances:

Contra Dances	English Country	Join CDR!
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Thursday nights</li><li>• <a href="#">Covenant United Methodist Church</a>, 1124 Culver Road (corner of Parsells)</li><li>• 8:00 to 11:00 pm</li><li>• \$7, \$6 for members &amp; students, kids under 13 free</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>First and third Sundays</i></li><li>• <a href="#">Friends Meeting House</a>, 84 Scio St.</li><li>• <i>New Time: 6:30 to 9:30 pm</i></li><li>• \$8, \$7 for members &amp; students, children free</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Annual CDR memberships are \$10 individual or \$15 household. Join at a dance or send a check made out to CDR to Bob Fabinski, 96 Stonybrook Dr, Rochester, NY 14618.</li><li>• Check schedules on line at <a href="http://rochestercontra.com">rochestercontra.com</a></li></ul>

[Country Dancers of Rochester \(CDR\)](#) is located in Rochester, New York and is a group affiliate of the *Country Dance and Song Society* ([www.cdss.org](http://www.cdss.org)). Our dances are participatory: New England contras, traditional squares and English country dances featuring live music and a variety of callers. Beginners are always welcome. Dances are taught and prompted, with more teaching at the beginning of the evening. Dances are alcohol free and smoke free. Please wear soft-soled, low heel shoes for your comfort and for the good of the hall. Dress is casual and you do not need to come with a partner. The editor of this calendar is Peggy Dempsey. Check our web page [rochestercontra.com](http://rochestercontra.com) for more information.

## About a special event:

*A wonderful spring event coming soon: The Third Annual*

# Jane Austen Ball

*in Rochester, NY*

*Sunday, May 3, 2009*

*Joanna Reiner, Dance Mistress*

*Music by [Lost in Austen](#)*

*Paul Morrissett (violin), Judy Kleppel (oboe) and Roberta Truscello (piano)*

*English Country dances in the spirit of the Jane Austen era for one and all.*

*This year we're giving dancers an opportunity to become familiar with the dances in advance of the ball so as to more thoroughly enjoy the actual ball on May 3. Every Sunday afternoon (except Easter) until the Ball, from 3:30 - 5 pm, we'll be having informal practice sessions where we learn or review 3 or 4 of the dances. On regular dance nights, you can come at 3:30 for the practice, go out for dinner at a nearby restaurant, and still make the regular dance at 6:30!*

**Advance registrations for the Ball are preferred.  
There is a limit of 90 dancers; the [registration](#) deadline is April 28.**