

## CDS Boston News

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## **Board News**

The first board meeting of 1984 was held on January 6 at the home of Billie Hockett.

Bob Paul and Cynthia Whear were present to answer questions about the proposed budget for the 1984 Ritual Days at Pinewoods. The Board extended their thanks for all the work done by Bob and Cynthia for Ritual Days.

Six CDS members have responded to Brad's request for opinions concerning the Labor Day admission policy. It was the general opinion of most Board members and those who responded that some attempt should be made to maintain a balance between men and women. Next month the Board will act on any proposals submitted concerning this issue. (Anyone wishing to submit suggestions should contact Chuck Gordon, who will be acting as a clearing house for information on this issue.)

The Board is seeking volunteers to run the following activities: Labor Day '84, the Annual Meeting dance, and a benefit activity to raise funds for the C# pavilion at Pinewoods.

Chuck Gordon will be handling mail orders for records from CDS. More information will be forthcoming.

This year Robin Rogers-Brown will be the administrative chairperson for Campers' Week, which we co-sponsor with CDSS National. The next Board meeting will be on Sunday, February 12 at 7PM at Billie Hockett's home. If any members would like to attend, please contact Brad Sayler for directions.

## **Call for Nominations**

CDS is issuing its annual call for nominations for officers. A flyer is enclosed with this mailing. If you know someone who would like to be more active in CDS affairs, please submit their name. See the flyer for more details.

## Benefit Dance Extravaganza

The Folk Arts Center of New England will hold its fourth annual benefit for the Dance Musicians Development Fund (DMDF) on Saturday, March 31, from noon to midnight, at the Brimmer and May Gym. The DMDF awards assistance to local musicians for any relevant purpose, such as music lessons or trips to music camps and festivals in this country and abroad. The Fund's sole source of income is the annual benefit. The day consists of all types of folk dancing - from New England to English, Scottish to international - all to live music, with brief performances by local groups, and a fifteen-minute hambo contest. Bare Necessities will be among the many musical groups participating, along with Yankee Ingenuity, the CFO, Paddledoo, and members of Evo Nas. For further information, call the Folk Arts Center at 491-6084.



The Country Dance Society has lost another member who gave many hours of volunteer service. David Bridgham died in November, after a long period of failing health. He was a long-time member of the Boston Centre, as well as a charter member of the Scottish Country Dance Society. He was President of the Boston Centre from 1952-56, and chaired a number of Pinewoods weekends. For many years he made the plates for the addressograph machine and assisted our director, Miss Chapin, with the mailings. He was a very active dancer, participating in American, English Country, Morris, and Sword dancing, and was a very reliable demonstrator. When not dancing or traveling he worked for the Boston Weather Bureau and could be heard giving the forecast over radio station WHDH. He leaves his wife, Barbara, who shares his interest in dancing. He will be missed by his many friends.

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