CDSS Web Chat #4 on 4/4/19
Family/Community Dance Organizers Unite!

We’ll begin the web chat promptly at 8:30 EDT. Some things to keep in mind:

- Initially you’ll hear CDSS staff members chatting with our guest speakers to make sure all systems are all set.
- Reminder: **mute your microphone and turn off your own webcam/video!**
- Zoom has a few options for video layout. These may be useful when we share slides via our CDSS screen. Check out this link: [https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362323-How-Do-I-Change-The-Video-Layout](https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362323-How-Do-I-Change-The-Video-Layout)

We appreciate your patience if we encounter any glitches during the call!
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Web Chat Format
8:30 pm EDT  Introduction: Katy German and Linda Henry
8:35 pm  Web Chat Guests:
-- Sarah Lee from Sebastopol, CA
-- Rick & Chloe Mohr from Philadelphia, PA
-- Dean Herington from Chapel Hill, NC
-- Chrissy Fowler and Bruce Snider from Belfast, ME
9:00 pm  Q & A with responses from all guests
9:25 pm  Wrap-up: Linda
9:30 pm  End of web chat
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Basic Elements of a Successful Family/Community Dance

- Welcome all ages
- Choose simple dances
- Encourage flexible partnering
- Root it in your particular community
- Include fun non-dance elements
- Connect with broader dance/music culture
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First Guest:
Sarah Lee
Sebastopol Family Dance, Sebastopol, CA

4th Saturday dance focusing on families with children ages 0 to 12

https://www.nbcds.org
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Second Guests:
Rick & Chloe Mohr
Mt. Airy Barn Dance, Philadelphia, PA

All ages afternoon community dance, followed by a potluck snack

facebook.com/MountAiryBarnDance
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Third Guest:

Dean Herington
Triangle Country Dancers (TCD)
Community Dance,
Research Triangle Area
(usually Chapel Hill), NC

Saturday evening dance mostly for families with children up through “tweens”

http://www.tcdancers.org/family.html
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Fourth Guests:
Chrissy Fowler and Bruce Snider
Belfast Flying Shoes Community Dance, Belfast, ME

1st Friday Community Dance with open All Comers Band, 6:30 – 7:30 pm

www.belfastflyingshoes.org
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Q & A – How to Send a Question

To open chat box bar, click “Chat” in the meeting controls at the bottom of your screen. Type in your name and a brief question. During the Q&A everyone except our guests will continue to be muted.

We will have about 20 minutes for our guests to answer questions. If you have a question that wasn’t answered, jot it down and send it to us in the post web chat survey.
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Featured Resource

The CDSS booklet *Family and Community Dances* is invaluable. Contents include:

- Organizing a Community Family Dance
- Checklist: Planning for a Successful Dance
- Top Ten Family Dances and Sources
- Resources for Community and Family Dancing

The booklet will be available soon as a downloadable PDF on the CDSS website – stay tuned!
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More Resources Available through CDSS

- Organizers Resource Portal
cdss.org/resources/how-to/organizers
- Web Chat Series (recordings posted in Portal)
- **Community Outreach Grants** (next deadline June 1)
- Quarterly **Shop Talk e-blasts for organizers** (join via the tab in the Portal home page)
- **Quarterly e-blasts for CDSS Affiliates**
- **CDSS News articles** including monthly All Join Hands series on Community Dancing
- CDSS Dance, Music, and Song Camps
  www.cdss.org/camp
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Wrap Up

• **Survey:** Your valuable feedback helps us continue to improve this web chat series. Please reply to the survey you’ll receive via email tomorrow.

• **Recording:** We’ll also send you a link to the web chat recording that will be available on the CDSS website. Feel free to share this with others.

• **Have questions** that weren’t answered during this web chat? Go to [https://www.sharedweight.net/](https://www.sharedweight.net/), an online forum where organizers exchange ideas on a wide range of topics.

• **Next web chat:** tentative date **July 11, 8:30-9:30 PM EDT;** Topic: Building Safe Dance Communities

• **Keep in touch:** Send questions and suggestions to Linda at [linda@cdss.org](mailto:linda@cdss.org).