



# HCD Contra Bulletin

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This month's **HCD 2nd-Saturday Contra** dance, our first event of the new year, will be **Saturday, January 14**, and to celebrate this kickoff event we'll be contra dancing to a new-to-us band, **Headwaters**. Gary Wikfors and Jim and Willow Sirch will bring their Swedish nyckelharpas, five-string fiddle, Irish blackwood flute, octave mandola, bodhran, and banjo to fill the hall with contra music to dance to. **Jim Gregory** will be the caller for this dance. If you're new to contra dancing, don't miss the **free new-dancer workshop from 7:15–7:30**. The workshop will have you dancing like a pro in no time. Even if you *are* a contra pro, come to the workshop to help us introduce the joy of contra dancing to newcomers.



**Headwaters**

**Admission:** Students (with student ID, please), \$5; volunteers and kids under 13, free; other attendees, \$13 (with a \$30 family maximum). In order to make contra dancing accessible to all, we will work with anyone who cannot pay.

**COVID Precautions:** In addition to filling out the **waiver/contact-tracing form** described on the [home page of our website](#), we recommend that all those attending HCD 2nd-Saturday Contra dances are vaccinated, boosted, and masked. Also, as was the case prior to the pandemic, drinking water and paper cups will be provided, but if you prefer not sharing the water spigot with others, feel free to bring your own water.

**Where We Dance:** Unless otherwise indicated, HCD 2nd-Saturday Contra dances are held at **Temple Beth Torah, 130 Main Street, Wethersfield**. Entrance to the hall is on the right side of the temple, in the back. For full directions and parking tips, see [here](#).



**HCD 2nd-Saturday Contra Committee:** (from left) Steve, Rob (chair), Pam, Jen, Sal, Jay, Brad, Victoria, Haley, and Bill. Have a suggestion on how we can make our dances even better? Want to be part of our volunteer team? Speak to any of our Committee members at an upcoming dance.

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Volunteers at our dances receive free admission in exchange for 30 minutes of their time. To be added to our list of prospective volunteers, [reply to this email](#) with VOLUNTEER in the subject line and your full name in the body of the email.

This contra dance series is part of [Hartford Community Dance \(HCD\)](#). [Sign up here](#) to receive info about all our dances, including cancellation notices.

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