

# Ethnic Heritage Council

MARCH 2011

## EHC Member Organizations Perform - Fundraise - Celebrate!

Everyone seems to be having fun in March!

Are you in the mood... for a **Brazilian Carnival**? An **Irish Festival**? Want to join in on **Norwegian Heritage Day**? **Croatian Dinner and Performance**? **Auction**? Enjoy a **Mexican Folk Dance** performance? A crab feed with **Italians**? A **Persian Spring Festival**? Serenaded at an **A Cappella Festival**? Learn about **Iceland**? Support **Northwest Folklife Festival** while having a great time dancing? Learn **Japa-**

**nese Calligraphy**? Try your luck at **Bulgarian Dancing**? Ever seen the **Zambini Brothers' Puppet Island Showcase**? How about **Zirkus Fantazmo**? Or **Pinocchio**? Experience the **4th Annual Celtic Faire**? Eat some **Swedish Pancakes**? Take in a **Finnish Film**? Create **Chinese Zodiac** trading cards?

The fun is endless! Go to page 3 and find the fun! EHC Calendar of Ethnic Events is on pages 3-5.



*Irish Week—March 5-17*

**Irish Festival @ Seattle Center**

March 12 - 13 & 17

[www.irishclub.org](http://www.irishclub.org)

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## 30th Annual Dinner Honors

Thank you friends and supporters for celebrating EHC's 30th Annual Dinner and Awards Ceremony with us!

February 25, 2011, will be marked in our memories—an evening full of love, tears and joy. We honored three community members—three well deserving members of our community: The **Aspasia Phourides Pulakis Award** is given annually to an individual who has contributed significantly to a Northwest ethnic community and the **Gordon Ekvall Tracie Award** is given to an ethnic performing artist who has made significant contributions to the development and presentation of the traditional arts in our community.

In 2011 we were delighted to present two *Pulakis Awards*. Our first presentation was to **Lora Chiorah Dye**. If you have seen *Dance this...* at the Paramount theatre any time over the last 10+ years, then you certainly have seen Lora! Vicky Lee, Director of Education & Performance Programs, Education & Community Programs, Seattle Theatre Group, shared words of praise as she has worked with Lora for numerous years and numerous *Dance this...* performance presentations. Lora has been known as a brilliant performer and teacher

over the years. She has given so much to our communities, making us all richer in culture.



Tragically Lora suffered a double aneurysm in August of 2010, while rehearsing her children's performing group. Lora is currently in rehabilitation.

Lora was raised first in a traditional home and then at a mission in Zimbabwe. She came to the United States in the 1970's. Teaching her three children the marimba and mbira music of Zimbabwe, Lora began to create the nucleus of a musical ensemble. In 1980 she formed the Sukutai Marimba and Dance Ensemble to celebrate the heritage of Zimbabwe's Shona people and to provide an opportunity for teaching music and dance to Americans. The ensemble has performed around the world.

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*Joyas Mestizas Mexican Folk Dance Group Performance*

*Vela Luka Croatian Dance Ensemble Spring Festa*

Lora has been captivating American audiences with her cultural presentations which include songs, storytelling, music and dance from her native culture, the Shona People. She is most importantly noted for the work she does in training young people. Ms. Chiorah Dye has been an artist-in-residence with the Washington State Arts in Education Program K-12 for the past 30 years.

We were honored by Lora's presence at our awards ceremony. Lora along with friends Sherree Seritse,

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Amma & Kofi Anang drummed and sang a song from her native Zimbabwe. “Thank you” Lora for giving so much!



*EHC Awards Chairman Jagdish Sharma, Pulakis Award recipient Lora Chiorah Dye and her son.*

*Photo page 1: EHC Executive Director Alma Plancich and Lora Chiorah Dye @ Dance this... sponsorship dinner July 10, 2010, Sorento Hotel Seattle.*

**Bettie Sing Luke**, selected as another of our two 2011 *Pulakis Award* recipients, was presented her plaque with friends and family present.

Bettie Sing Luke, Chinese American, was born and raised in Seattle. Bettie has been an educational activist in diversity training and community organizing for three decades. As a professional educator and as a volunteer community activist, Bettie has supported social justice issues on behalf of many ethnic communities in the Northwest. Bettie crosses all boundaries, shares her voice and lends her hand in helping us all understand each other better! Cultural understanding is not simply about knowing one’s own culture, it’s about learning the culture of others and respecting their culture as much as you do your own.



*Jagdish Sharma, Belinda Chin, Mitsu Sundvall & 2011 Pulakis Award recipient Bettie Sing Luke*

“Thank you” Melody Institute for the dance performances in honor of Bettie. And “Thank you” Bettie Sing Luke for your dedication to all our communities!

Final honors of the night went to **Omar Batiste**, the 2011 *Gordon Tracie Award* recipient. Omar will go down in EHC history as having received the most nominations ever! He was excited to receive the award—and ON his birthday—February 25th! Omar had been ill with cancer, and sadly, passed away, the week of his birthday.

**Omar Batiste—February 26, 1937-February 20, 2011—** Omar’s personal objective: To improve personal contributions to positive human expression through Dance, Art, Music, Literature, Languages and socio-economic endeavors that aid global balance and compatibility.

Omar’s introduction to Greek Dance began in 1964 while employed at the Athens Café, the first Greek restaurant in Seattle! From that point on, Omar danced, shared, and performed his way around the world. He was Ethnic Music & Dance Coordinator and or Consultant for festivals around Washington State - Northwest Folklife Festival, University District Street Fairs and Arab Festival at Seattle Center. He taught at elementary schools and colleges throughout the State of Washington. He danced in Koleda Balkan Dance Ensemble and is founder and Artistic Director of *Abu Siraj* a Cultural Repository for Balkan and Near Eastern Dances, Folklore and Culture. He has also authored and published a book on Middle Eastern Culture entitled “The Source.”

“Thank you” to the numerous family members, friends and performers who attended the ceremony in Omar’s honor. “Thank you” Zaphara for your spirited performance. It was a pleasure to have also in attendance, Omar’s 94 year old mother, Willie Mae Jackson. Communities all over will miss Omar Batiste. Omar gave us all a gift—his gift of knowledge, expression and sharing. “Thank you” Omar.



*EHC Executive Director Alma Plancich, Omar’s nephew Jason Abner & grandnephew*



## EHC Executive Director - 2011 "Woman of Valor"

February 25, 2011, U.S. Senator Maria Cantwell presented the "Woman of Valor" award to Ethnic Heritage Council Executive Director, Alma Franulovic Plancich, for her work in public service and community development.

The *Women of Valor Awards* luncheon was held at the Westin Seattle, produced by *Friends of Maria*. Special guests were U.S. Senator Barbara Mikulski and U.S. Senator Patty Murray, along with the 11 *Women of Valor* honored. Over 450 luncheon guests

and supporters revered in the United States National Anthem performed by Rev. Patrinn Wright, greatly admired the awards presentations and listened intently to the remarks by Senators Murray, Cantwell, and Mikulski.

The 2011 event also celebrated Barbara Mikulski's historic 25th year in the Senate! The 2011 Women of Valor honored are: **Janis Avery**, Children & Youth Advocacy; **Martha Choe**, Trailblazer; **Kathy Fletcher**,

Environment & Conservation; **Fredda Goldfarb**, Veterans' Advocacy; **Cathi Hatch**, Small Business Development; **Patricia Shepherd-Barnes**, Health Advocacy; **Marilyn J. Smith**, Women's Advocacy; **Dr. Beti Thompson**, Health Advocacy; **Megan Karch**, Estela Orteg and **Alma Franulovic Plancich**, Public Service & Community Development..

- Thank you Women of Valor for your work in our communities and nation.

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[www.ethnicheritagecouncil.org](http://www.ethnicheritagecouncil.org)

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**Nordic Porcelain**—See the cultural exhibit of Nordic Porcelain: When Industry and Beauty Combine. **March 1-30**. Scandinavian Cultural Center. Call: 253-535-7322; [www.plu.edu/~scancntr](http://www.plu.edu/~scancntr).

#### Friday 4

**Nordic Heritage Museum Announces New Exhibition: Vessels of the Heart: Fairbanks at Arabia / Cushing and Salmenhaara at Alfred.** Nordic Heritage Museum. **March 4 - May 22**. Call: 206-789-5707; [www.nordicmuseum.org](http://www.nordicmuseum.org)

**The Noodles**—The Emerald City Contra Dance presents "The Noodles" dance. 7pm, Phinney Neighborhood Center. Call: 206-440-9839.

**First Friday Dance**—Join the Skandia Folkdance members for their monthly First Friday Dance with Jerry Walsh and Judy Patterson teaching Åtåbakspolska. 7:30pm, Cedar Valley Grange. Call: 206-784-7470; [www.skandia-folkdance.org](http://www.skandia-folkdance.org).

**English Country Dance**—Come for an evening of Country Dances from England. All dances taught. 8pm, Swedish Cultural Center. Call: 206-525-6065.

#### Saturday 5

**Zirkus Fantazmo**—Presented by Zinzanni Institute for Circus Arts - an all new children's show for kids ages 5 to 105! Pre-show carnival in the lobby begins at noon; show starts at 1p.m. Snacks will be available for purchase in the lobby prior to curtain. Zirkus Fantazmo includes a 15-20 minute post-show activity. ParentMap is the magazine sponsor of Zirkus Fantazmo. In the spiegeltent at Teatro Zinzanni. **March 5-May 1, Select Saturdays & Sundays.** Call: 206-802-0015;

[www.zinzanni.org](http://www.zinzanni.org).

**Irish Week 2011—March 5-17.** Various times and locations. Visit: [www.irishclub.org](http://www.irishclub.org).

**Magic Flying Carpet Storybook**—Beginning in March, the Magic Flying Carpet Storybook will precede the morning Weekend Family Workshop. Children and parents can sit on our magic carpet and listen to stories of flight from around the world. **March 5-6, 12-13, 19-20, and 26-27.** 10:30am, Museum of Flight. Call: 206-764.5720.

**WomenFly!** WomenFly is the museum's annual aerospace career-based event. More than 100 young women will participate in a day of motivation and career-oriented activities that will allow them to meet and learn from professional women working in a variety of flight-related careers. 8:30am - 3pm, Museum of Flight. Call: 206-764.5720; [www.museumof flight.org](http://www.museumof flight.org).

**Third Place A Cappella Festival - FREE!** EHC Member Organizations participate in the A Cappella Festival! Third Place Books, Lake Forest Park, 10am-6pm. Schedule: 10am-The Uptown 4 (pop); 10:30-The UW HusKEYs (college/glee club); 11-onefourfive (Georgian folk-songs); 11:30-NWSound Men's Chorus/Quartets (barbershop/chorus); 12-Dunava (Balkan folk); 12:15-The Baudboys (pop/comedy) 12:30-Dave & the Dalmatians (Croatian/Klapa); 1pm-Double Deuce (barbershop); 1:30-KlapaDooWopella (Adriatic folk/doo wop); 2-The Baudboys (pop/comedy); 2:15-The Bellas/Lakeside (high school); 2:30-Crosspoint (gospel); 2:45-Sunbreak (Adelines/barbershop); 3-UW Men's Glee Club (college/glee club); 3:30-Ajoy/Frenzy/Gherkin (Adelines/choir); 4-Total Experience Gospel Choir; 4:30-Rezonate (pop/rock); 5-The Baudboys (pop/comedy); 5:15-The Coats. Call: 206-366-3302; visit:

[www.thirdplacebooks.com](http://www.thirdplacebooks.com).

**Dino Day**—Take a paleontological journey to Antarctica, Patagonia, Zambia, Montana, & Wyoming without leaving Seattle! Find out what it's like to travel the world looking for fossils at this family event. 10am, Burke Museum. 206-543-5590; [www.burkemuseum.org](http://www.burkemuseum.org).

**Girl Power!** Celebrate Japanese holiday Hinamatsuri, or Girls Day, by exploring Japanese art. 11am, Seattle Asian Art Museum. [www.seattleartmuseum.org](http://www.seattleartmuseum.org).

**St. David's Day Celebration**—Celebrate St. David with vocal performances, traditional Instrumental Welsh folk music and readings in Welsh and English. 2:30pm, Lake City Presbyterian Church. Call: 253-381-9654; [www.pugetsoundwelsh.org](http://www.pugetsoundwelsh.org).

**The Makedonians**—Come for the 4<sup>th</sup> Corner Folk Dancers first Saturday Dance Party. 7:30pm, Fairhaven Library. Call: 360-380-0456

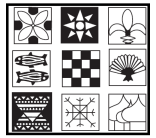
**Gordon Bok**—Come see Gordon Bok with special guest Carol Rohl co-produced by SFS and NW Seaport members. 7:30pm, Phinney Neighborhood Center. Call: 206-523-8523.

**Brazilian Carnival of Seattle**—The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Brazilian Carnival brings you the rich diversity of Brazilian music and dance from north to south of Brazil. Come and celebrate Mardi-Gras in a Brazilian style with Show Brazil! And their special guest artists Thione Diop from Senegal. 9pm, Nectar Lounge. Call: 425-254-1616; [www.showbrazil.com](http://www.showbrazil.com).

#### Sunday 6

**Swedish Pancake Breakfast**— Music by Lilla Spelmanslag, Vi Aro Musikanter & Nordiska Folkdancers & Musicians. 8am-12:30pm, Swedish Cultural Center. [pat@folk dancing.com](mailto:pat@folk dancing.com)

**35<sup>th</sup> Annual Kalevala Festival**—The Finnish Foundation presents their 35<sup>th</sup>



annual Kalevala Festival featuring Sibelius "Oma Maa" cantata for choir and instruments. 2pm, Nordic Heritage Museum. Call: 425-241-0497.

**Scandinavian Dance**—The Nordic Dancers NW invite you to their Scandinavian Dance. 2pm, Norway Hall. Call: 260-734-2516; [www.nordicdancersnw.org](http://www.nordicdancersnw.org).

**Open Hearts**—Come see Open Hearts as part of the Nordic Film Series. 2pm, Scandinavian Cultural Center. Call: 253-535-7322; [www.plu.edu/~scancntr](http://www.plu.edu/~scancntr)

**Balkan Babes Fundraising Concert**—Award-winning vocal ensemble the Balkan Babes and local teen robotics group FIXIT invite you to a fundraising concert to help the team attend the 2011 First Tech Challenge World Championship. 3pm, Orange Hall in Fernwood. Call: 250-381-6651; [www.balkanbabes.ca](http://www.balkanbabes.ca).

**Tuesday 8**

**Emerson String Quartet**—See the Emerson String Quartet as part of the UW World Series. 8pm, Meany Hall. Call: 206-543-4880; [www.worldseries.org](http://www.worldseries.org).

**Thursday 10**

**Young Playwrights Festival**—Eight student writers age 13-18 receive professionally staged readings of their original plays as part of ACT's ninth annual Young Playwrights Festival. **March 10-12**. Call: 206-292-7660; [www.acttheatre.org](http://www.acttheatre.org).

**David Sanborn Trio**—The Pacific Jazz Institute at Dimitriou's Jazz Alley presents the David Sanborn Trio featuring Joey DeFrancesco. **March 10-13**. 7:30pm, Jazz Alley. Call: 206-441-9729; [www.jazzalley.com](http://www.jazzalley.com).

**Contra Marathon**—Come for three hours of non-stop music by Seattle's finest bands for a Folklife Festival Fundraiser. Lake City Contra Dance. [www.seattledance.org](http://www.seattledance.org).

**Friday 11**

**Songs of Cleopatra**—Join the Seattle Symphony and conductor Nicholas McGegan for a night of song dedicated to Cleopatra presented as part of the American Handel Festival. **March 11-12**. 8pm, Benaroya Hall. Call: 206-215-4747; [www.seattlesymphony.org](http://www.seattlesymphony.org).

**Seattle Balkan Dancers**—The Seattle Balkan Dancers would like you to join them for a dance class taught by Bob Cohen and music by Dromeno. 7:30pm, The Russian Center. Call: 425-883-0332; [www.seattlebalkandancers.org](http://www.seattlebalkandancers.org).

**More Music @ the Moore**—Come for the 10<sup>th</sup> annual More Music @ the

Moore. Young local artists, musical collaboration and professional mentorship take center stage in this concert, celebrating Seattle's vibrant musical past, present, and future. 7:30pm, Moore Theatre. Call: 877-784-4849; [www.STGpresents.org](http://www.STGpresents.org).

**Saturday 12**

**Handel's Divas**—Handel's Divas launches Seattle's month-long American Handel Festival on a high note with rip-roaring Arias from the operas and oratorios. **March 12-13**. Queen Anne Christian Church. Call: 206-726-6088; [www.galleryconcerts.org](http://www.galleryconcerts.org).

**Seattle Center Festal: Irish Festival** offers entertainment, exploration and insights into the culture of Ireland. Shop for authentic Irish products, create Celtic arts and crafts and enjoy a weekend of non-stop Irish music, award-winning dance and children's activities. Festival-goers may trace their roots in genealogy workshops, learn the Irish language and take in colorful cultural exhibits and contemporary Irish short films. Events for children include the "Smilingest Irish Eyes Contest" and the "Most Irish-Looking Face Contest", and a Children's Activities Center. Center House, Seattle Center. **March 12-13**. Call: 206-684-7200; [www.seattlecenter.com](http://www.seattlecenter.com); [www.irishclub.org](http://www.irishclub.org).

**Choir of the Sound—Winter Classical Concert**—Enjoy the voices of COTS and say goodbye to Director Judy Filibeck, as she directs the choir in her final concert as director. **March 12-13**. Trinity Lutheran Church, Lynnwood. Call: 206-528-9990; [www.choirofthesound.org](http://www.choirofthesound.org); Tickets: 800-838-3006; [www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com)

**Nordic Heritage Day**—The Nordic Heritage Day features food, crafts and music from Norway. 10am-3pm, Bothell Sons of Norway. [www.bothellsonsofnorway.org](http://www.bothellsonsofnorway.org).

**Bosnian Mosque and Cultural Center Grand Opening**—Islamic Community of Bosniaks in Washington will hold a ceremony to mark the opening of the first Bosnian mosque and cultural center in Seattle. 11am, Ceremony, 20001 25th Ave Ne, Shoreline, WA 98155. <http://www.dzematseattle.com/index.htm>

**Carnival of the Animals**—Explore the instruments of the orchestra in this symphonic version of Saint-Saens' famous *Carnival of the Animals* as part of The Gilman Family Discover Music Series. 11am, Benaroya Hall. Call: 206-

215-4747; [www.seattlesymphony.org](http://www.seattlesymphony.org).

**Puppet Island Showcase by the Zambini Brothers**—2011 Children's Series - Presented by The Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Arts Council. Kids love puppet shows! Puppets are magical, but they're just inanimate objects without someone to pull their strings or make them come alive. Zambini Brothers' Puppet Island Showcase will give kids and adults alike an opportunity to go behind the scenes and find out what it takes to bring puppets to life. 11:30am, Shorecrest Performing Arts Center. Call: 206-417-4645; [www.shorelinearts.net](http://www.shorelinearts.net); [www.zambinibrothers.com](http://www.zambinibrothers.com)

**Lunar New Year**—Come down and celebrate the Lunar New Year season with activities related to the exhibit, Home revealed. 3pm, Wing Luke Museum. [www.wingluke.org](http://www.wingluke.org).

**Thorrbolt 2011**—Come for an evening of food and music from Iceland with Guest Speaker Jonas Thors - a well-known Icelandic tour guide and genealogy authority. 4pm, Swedish Cultural Center. Call: 425-355-1212.

**Please join us for an IRISH Dinner** - Corned Beef, Colcannon, Harvard Beets, Irish Soda Bread, Dessert 6:30pm, American Croatian Club of Anacortes. Call: 360-299-1075.

**Sephira**—The Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Arts Council invites you to a special St. Patrick's Day show featuring the Celtic group Sephira and special guests the Gothic Sisters. 7:30pm, Shorecrest Performing Arts Center. Call: 206-417-4645; [www.shorelinearts.net](http://www.shorelinearts.net); [www.sephira.ie](http://www.sephira.ie).

**Sunday 13**

**Shaken, not Stirred**—Come for the Northwest Festivals & Events Convention & Expo. **March 13-15**. Bellevue Hilton. [www.nwfestivals.com](http://www.nwfestivals.com); [www.wfea.org](http://www.wfea.org).

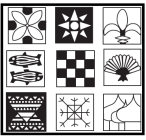
**Ash**—See Aurelia Shrenker and Eva Salina Primack perform traditional and innovative arrangements of folk music from the Balkans, Caucasus Georgia, and the American Appalachians. 3pm, Corvallis. Call: 541-760-8135; [www.aesings.com](http://www.aesings.com).

**Wednesday 16**

**Nelson Freire**. Come see a performance by Nelson Freire as part of the UW World Series. 8pm, Meany hall. Call: 206-543-4880; [www.worldseries.org](http://www.worldseries.org).

**Thursday 17**

**Shostakovich's Symphony No. 5**—Hear the Seattle Symphony conducted Teodor Currentizis perform



Shostakovich's Symphony No. 5. **March 17, 19-20.** 7:30pm, Benaroya Hall. Call: 206-215-4747; [www.seattlesymphony.org](http://www.seattlesymphony.org).

**Live Jazz**—Come for a relaxing evening of live jazz music by Ashley Webster & Josh Arcega. 7pm, North City Bistro.

### Friday 18

**Garden Full of Songs**—A string quartet celebrates spring with classical and original tunes that blossom and bloom as part of the Tiny Tots series. **March 18-19.** 9:30, 10:30, 11:30am. Illsley Ball Nordstrom Recital Hall.

**Third Friday Dance**—Join the Skandia Folkdance members for their monthly Third Friday Dance and celebrating St. Patrick with Celtic music and dancing. Don't forget to wear green! 7:30pm, Cedar Valley Grange. Call: 206-784-7470; [www.skandia-folkdance.org](http://www.skandia-folkdance.org).

**Simon Trpceski**—See a performance by Simon Trpceski as part of the UW World Series. 8pm, Meany Hall. Call: 206-685-2819; [www.uworldseries.org](http://www.uworldseries.org).

**Seattle Balkan Dancers**—The Seattle Balkan Dancers would like you to join them for an evening of Balkan line dances. 8:30pm, The Russian Center. Call: 425-883-0332; [www.seattlebalkandancers.org](http://www.seattlebalkandancers.org).

### Saturday 19

**4th Annual Celtic Faire**—Music & Dance groups. 10am-4pm, Downtown Puyallup. [www.pugetsoundwelsh.org](http://www.pugetsoundwelsh.org)

**Family Fun Day**—Create Chinese Zodiac trading cards at the museum's Family Fun Day. 3-5pm, Wing Luke Museum. [www.wingluke.org](http://www.wingluke.org).

**Crab Feed**—The Italian Club of Seattle invites you to their Crab Feed. 6:30pm, St. Alphonsus Church Hall in Ballard. Call: 206-453-4002.

**Potluck and Dance**—The Skagit-Anacortes Folkdancers invite you to their Potluck and Dance with 4<sup>th</sup> Corner Band. 7:30pm, Bay View Civic Hall. Call: 360-293-9274.

**Gloria**—See the Sno-King community Chorale as they feature the West Coast Premier of Gloria by Karl Jenkins under the direction of Frank DeMiero. 3:30pm and 7:30pm, Trinity Lutheran Church. Call: 425-673-1242; [www.sno-kingchorale.org](http://www.sno-kingchorale.org).

**Benefit Dance for NW Folklife**—Sponsored by Northwest Folkdancers, Sno-King International Folkdancers, and Cedar Valley Grange. International folk dance music provided by Folk Voice Band, Allspice, and Orkestar

RTW; contras called by Karen Shaw during band changeovers; sound provided by Allan Swensson. 7:30-11pm. Cedar Valley Grange, 20526 52nd Avenue W., Lynnwood. Please bring potluck snacks. Ethnic costumes encouraged. Email: [nwfolkdancers@gmail.com](mailto:nwfolkdancers@gmail.com); [www.scn.org/arts/nfdi](http://www.scn.org/arts/nfdi)

**Nowruz Eve Celebration**—Celebrate Nowruz Eve, the Persian Spring Festival with music by D.J. Pooyan Rad. 9:30pm, Red Lion Hotel. Call: 425-830-5683.

### Sunday 20

**Pinocchio**—The Pacific Northwest Ballet School's Pinocchio is a narrated one-act ballet illustrated by storybook sets and costumes based on the original stories by Carlo Collodi. **March 20, 25-26.** McCaw Hall. Call: 206-441-2424.

**Spaghetti Fundraiser**—The Black Diamond Lodge invites you to their annual Spaghetti Fundraiser. 12-6pm, Black Diamond Lodge #1809. Call: 425-532-0447.

### Wednesday 23

**House of Branching Love**—Come see a screening of the Finnish Film House of Branching Love (Haarautuvan Rakkauden Talo). **March 23-25.** 7:30pm, Swedish Cultural Center. Call: 206-283-1090.

### Friday 25

**Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre**—The Seattle Theatre Group presents the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre as they celebrate 50 years of Alvin Ailey's *Revelations*, led by the renowned Judith Jamison in her final year as Artistic Director. **March 25-27.** 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Theatre. Call: 206-625-1900; [www.STGpresents.org](http://www.STGpresents.org).

**Scandinavian Family Dance**—Come to the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday Scandinavian Family Dance featuring music by Lilla Spelmanslag and Skiolkis. 7pm, Swedish Cultural Center. [www.folkdancing.com](http://www.folkdancing.com).

### Saturday 26

**"Tastes of Norway"** The annual Norwegian Cultural/Heritage Day is on Saturday, March 26th from 10am to 4 pm. Join the fun at Leif Erikson Lodge and enjoy Norwegian food—Lefse, Krumkaker, Vaffer—entertainment, plus cooking and craft demonstrations. That same day..... **The annual Leif to Leif 5K Run/Walk!** Leif Erikson Lodge - Sons of Norway, 2245 NW 57th Street, Seattle, WA 98107 206-783-1274; [leiferiksonlodge@qwestoffice.net](mailto:leiferiksonlodge@qwestoffice.net)

**Japanese Calligraphy Workshop**—Learn the significance of the tools, the history of characters, and the traditions of this ancient art with a work-

shop led by local artist Chiyo Sanada. 3-5pm, Wing Luke Museum. [www.wingluke.org](http://www.wingluke.org).

**Seattle Junior Tamburitans 2011 Dinner & Benefit Auction**—Enjoy Salmon and Prime Rib dinner while supporting a SJT. Proceeds will be used to help fund their travel and future performance trips to Junior Tamburitza Festivals. 5pm, Cocktail Hour & Silent Auctions, Renton Senior Center. Call: 206-824-6556; [girouxrachel413@hotmail.com](mailto:girouxrachel413@hotmail.com).

**Vela Luka Croatian Dance Ensemble presents 2011 Spring Festa**—Dinner, Performance, Dancing. 5:30pm, Croatian Cultural Center, Anacortes. Call: 360-293-3663; [www.velaluka.org](http://www.velaluka.org); [office@depotartscenter.org](mailto:office@depotartscenter.org).

**Joyas Mestiza Mexican Folk Dance Youth Group Presents—Raices de Mis Padres.** An evening of vibrant and exciting music and dance celebrating the unique culture of Mexico. 6pm performance, Renton IKEA Performing Arts Center. [www.joyasmestizas.org](http://www.joyasmestizas.org).

**Sally Jacky's Sweet 16th Annual March Madness Potluck & Folk Dance** to celebrate March anniversaries & birthdays. Tacoma Mountaineers Folkdancers. 6pm, potluck dinner; w/ dancing to follow. Normanna Hall, Tacoma Info: [www.skandia-folkdance.org](http://www.skandia-folkdance.org)

**Bulgarian Dance Workshop**—Daniela Ivanova will be teaching Bulgarian line dances in the afternoon and in the evening is a dance party with live music by Kafana Klub. Friendship Masonic Lodge. [www.kykosfolkdancers.org](http://www.kykosfolkdancers.org).

### Sunday 27

**VASA Lodge 4th Sunday Dance**—2-5pm, VASA Lodge, Mt Vernon. Call: 360-856-6175; [pdix@cnw.com](mailto:pdix@cnw.com).

### Thursday 31

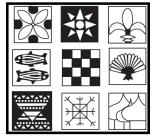
**Live Jazz**—Come for a relaxing evening of live jazz music by Ashley Webster & Kristen Mitre. 7pm, North City Bistro.

**Madeleine Peyroux.** The Pacific Jazz Institute at Dimitriou's Jazz Alley presents Madeleine Peyroux. **March 31 - April 2.** 7:30pm, Jazz Alley. Call: 206-441-9729; [www.jazzalley.com](http://www.jazzalley.com).

**Trisha Brown Dance Co.**—See a performance by the Trisha Brown Dance Co. as part of the UW World Series. 8pm, Meany Hall. Call: 206-543-4880; [www.uworldseries.org](http://www.uworldseries.org).

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## ~ WORLD Recipes ~

### Irish Soda Bread

1 Tbls. Butter, softened  
4 Cups All-purpose flour  
1 tsp. Baking soda  
1 tsp. Salt  
1 ½ Cups Buttermilk

Preheat the oven to 425. With a pastry brush coat a baking sheet evenly with the tablespoon of softened butter. Sift the flour, soda and salt together into a deep mixing bowl. Gradually add 1 cup of the buttermilk, beating constantly with a large spoon until the dough is firm enough to be gathered into a ball. If the dough crumbles, beat up to ½ cup more buttermilk into it by the tablespoon until the particles adhere.

Place the dough on a lightly floured board and pat and shape it into a flat circular loaf about 8" in diameter and 1½" thick. Set the loaf on the baking sheet. Then with the tip of a small knife cut a ½" deep X into the dough, dividing the top of the loaf into quarters.

Bake the bread in the middle of the oven for about 45 minutes or until the top is golden brown.

Variations: Add 1 cup currants or raisins with the flour; sprinkle the top of the loaf with caraway seeds.

### Colcannon - Irish

Serves 6

1 ¼ lbs. Green Cabbage  
2 cups Water  
1 Tbsp. Olive Oil  
1 ¼ lbs. Potatoes, Peeled & Quartered  
1 cup Chopped Leeks, White Part  
1 cup Milk  
pinch Ground Mace  
Salt and Pepper to Taste  
½ cup Melted Butter  
Garnish 1 Tbsp. chopped parsley, optional

In a large pot simmer the cabbage covered in 2 cups of water and the oil for 10 minutes (I do it longer). Drain and chop fine; set aside and keep warm. In a small pot bring the potatoes and water to cover to a boil and simmer until tender. In another small pot, simmer the leeks in the milk for 10 minutes and then keep warm. Drain the potatoes and puree them into a large pot. Add the leeks with the milk and the cooked cabbage. Beat until fluffy. Season with mace, salt and pepper. Mound on a serving platter/dish and top with melted butter. Garnish with parsley if desired.

### Feijoada—Meat Stew With Black Beans- Brazil

Serves 6

2 cups dried black beans\*  
3 cups water  
½ lbs. Sausage, cut in 1" pieces  
½ lbs. Beef, any cut in 1" cubes  
½ lbs. Pork, any cut (in 1" cubes  
3 slices bacon, cut in 1" pieces  
1 jalapeno (or green chili) pepper, seeded and finely chopped (*handle with care!*)  
1 tomato, finely chopped  
3 cloves garlic, finely chopped (or 1 tbs. Garlic granules) salt, pepper, and ground red pepper to taste

\* To reconstitute black beans, boil in 6 cups water for 2 min. Remove from heat, cover, and set aside 1 hr. Beans will double in size equipment: large-size saucepan with cover or dutch oven, mixing spoon, small size skillet.

Put drained, soaked beans with water in large saucepan or dutch oven and bring to boil over high heat. Reduce heat to simmer, cover, and cook for about 1-1/2 hours or until beans are tender; stir frequently.

Add sausage, beef, and pork, mix well, cover, and cook over medium heat for about 45 min. Stir frequently and add a little hot water if necessary to prevent sticking.

In small skillet, fry bacon over medium heat for 5 min or until crisp. Add jalapeno, tomato, and garlic. Mix well. Reduce heat to simmer and cook for 2 minutes. Add bacon and vegetables to meat mixture and salt, pepper, and red pepper to taste. Mix well, remove from heat and serve.

### Ajvar—Croatian

2 Lge. Eggplants  
6 Lge. Red or green sweet peppers  
Salt  
Pepper  
1 clove garlic minced  
1 whole Lemon, juiced  
½ Cup olive oil  
Parsley minced

Bake eggplants and sweet peppers at 350 F until tender when pierced with a fork. Peel skin from hot vegetables and chop or mince the vegetables. Season to taste with salt and pepper and stir in the garlic and lemon juice. Gradually stir in as much of the oil as the vegetables will absorb. Mix well. Scoop into a glass dish and sprinkle with parsley.

Ajvar is great with hamburgers, fries - just about anything! Think of it as "Croatian Castup"!

### Poppy Seed Cake

3 cups Flour  
½ cup Ground almonds  
1 ½ tsp. Baking powder  
¼ tsp. Salt  
½ cup Sugar  
1 cup Butter  
1 Egg  
1 Tbls. Lemon juice  
1 tsp. Grated lemon peel  
2 Tbls. Water

### Poppy Seed Filling

1 cup Poppy seeds  
½ cup Milk  
¼ cup Honey  
1/3 cup Chopped dates  
1/3 cup Chopped nuts  
1 dash Cinnamon

Mix the first five ingredients and the lemon peel; cut in the butter until mixture is crumbly. Combine the egg, lemon juice and water to add to the flour mixture. Knead lightly into a ball; divide into 8 parts. Roll out each part on a floured board until it is 1/4 inch thick, then cut into 4 inch square. Spoon about 1 teaspoon Poppy Seed Filling into the center of each square. Bring two ends together to form a cylinder. Pinch together to seal. Place on a greased baking sheet and brush with milk. Bake at 350 F for 15-20 minutes.

### Mexican Seasoning Mix

1 cup Minced dried onion  
2/3 cup Beef bouillon  
1/3 cup Chili powder  
2 Tbls. Cumin  
4 tsp. Ground peppers  
4 tsp. Oregano  
2 tsp. Garlic powder

Mix all ingredients well and store in airtight container. Use 3 Tbls. mix and 1/2 cup water for each pound of meat used.

### Mexican Red Rice

½ onion, diced  
2 tablespoon lard or vegetable oil  
½ cup tomato sauce such as POMI or canned  
1 ¾ cups chicken broth  
1 cup raw rice  
salt to taste

Melt lard in a large saucepan. Add onions and saute. Add rice and saute until lightly brown. Then add tomato sauce and stir. Add chicken broth and season to taste. Bring to a boil, stir well, cover and simmer very gently for about 15 minutes. Simmer until rice is dryish. May add frozen peas or green beans in with the broth.



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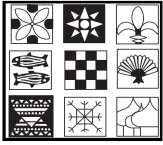
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