

Ballroom Beat

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We Promote Ballroom Dancing!

Your Prez Says

Hello fellow dancers,

The blooming flowers and budding trees always make me think of new beginnings. At

Piedmont NC USA Dance we also have a new beginning. Our board deliberated for several months about transitioning our chapter website to a webpage design sponsored by National USA Dance. After reviewing a demo website with information about our chapter and content from the existing website the Board approved the transition. The new website became active on April 7. We were able to keep our existing domain name www.ballroom-dancing.org. The site will continue to be a work in progress. For example: we are working on a link to all our archived photos of past Black Tie Dinner Dances and archived newsletters without having to upload each one separately.

A big THANK YOU to John Clark who has been the webmaster for our chapter since the site was established on April 17, 2002. He has been very helpful in the transition and hopefully will continue to assist with the new website.

Please check out <u>www.ballroom-dancing.org</u>. Look forward to seeing you all on the dance floor on April 26,

Cindy Caudle, President

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Clemmons Community Day

The Annual Clemmons Community day will be held on Saturday, April 25, come rain or shine. Most importantly, Piedmont NC USA Dance will have a booth at the event.

Each year we hand out brochures and pens while meeting potential dancers. This year we will have an added bonus with a special time on the program to dance to swing music we provide.

The event runs from 10 AM until 2 PM with the swing dancing at about 12:30. If you are willing to help with the booth or would enjoy dancing at the Event, please come on Saturday. Plan on taking some extra time to park as the event is extremely popular.

Black Tie Dinner Dance

As previously announced, our Black Tie Dinner Dance 2015 "Under the Glitter Dome" will be held on September 19 at the Lexington Municipal Club. The club is being renovated once again and should be even nicer than before. The music, the great food, the good friends will remain the same. The price remains the same and there's potential for a nice reward to those who get their reservations in early.

April Ballroom Sunday

Blooming Good Dance

Sunday, April 26, 2015

4:00 – 4:30 PM Viennese Waltz Lesson With Tony Econ

> General Dancing – 4:30 – 6:30 PM Music by Hubert and Marcia Barney

Directions to Jerry Long Family YMCA in Clemmons: From I-40 on the west side of Winston-Salem take the Clemmons exit. Go north away from downtown Clemmons. Turn left onto Peacehaven Road at the second traffic light not associated with I-40. Go less than ½ mile and the YMCA is on your left. Go in the main entrance to a great dance. YMCA: 1150 S. Peacehaven Road, Clemmons 27012

2015 at a Glance

May 24 – Memorial Dance

Teresa Shadoin, Instructor

June 28 – Star Gazing

July 26 – Fireworks

August 23 – Wild Card Ball

August 24 – National Ballroom Dance Week Beginner Lesson Start

September 19 – Black Tie Dinner/Dance "Under the Glitter Dome" at the

Lexington Municipal Club

September 27 – Beginners' Ball

October 25 – Presidents' Halloween

Dance

November 22 – Holiday Premier Promenade & Annual Business Meeting December 27 – Early New Year's Dance

Truisms

- -Those who don't want to, learn to dance. Those who do want to learn to dance better.
- -The closest thing I know to a genuine panacea is dance.
- -Steps that are learned without effort are frequently fortotten without effort.
- -Music without dance never to heaven go.
- -Dance is the shadow cast by our musical expressions.
- -It is best to dance while your heart is warm.
- -Happiness may come with music, but real pleasure requires dance.
- -The fun of dancing is of far greater importance to

me than the fear of appearing ridiculous.

- -Never idealize another dancer. They can never live up to your growing expectations.
- -Some people have amazing rhythm in their souls that is never expressed in dance.
- -A dance is the expression of many emotions.
- -Ballroom dances are slow to change, but the way we express them does.
- -The great dancers are artists. The rest of us are students.

Check our fabulous web site:

www.ballroom-dancing.org

for regular dance opportunities, registration forms, and other valuable information.

Follow us on Facebook at:

www.facebook.com/groups/153346133198 and Twitter @PiedmontNCDance

Notes of Appreciation:

Thank you to all who made our March Madness Dance so enjoyable:

- Adina Harper for the Waltz lesson.
- > The Barneys for the music.
- Roger and Cindy Caudle, Liz Gilkey, Tom and Kathy Rucker, Dick and Helen Heck, Kay Stevens, and the Barneys for room set-up and take-down and refreshments.
- ➤ To Charles and Lorene Markland for the most spirited costumes.

Come to a Blooming Good Dance

On April 26

See you at the Jerry Long Family YMCA On the 26th — 4:00 FM

Dressy casual Attire

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