

Ballroom Beat

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We Fromote Ballroom Dancing!

Your Prez Says

Hello fellow dancers, Aaahhh... wine and cheese, delicious dinner, great music, and dancing with friends, is this not a ballroom dancers dream?



No dream, this is our annual Black Tie dinner dance, "Under the Glitter Dome", on Saturday, September 19 at the Lexington Municipal Club. This is a favorite event of the year. Roger and I always look forward to an opportunity to get spiffed up, dance on a superb dance floor at a beautiful venue, with very upbeat, strict tempo ballroom dance music with our dance friends dancing all around us. I would so love for all of you to **join us** for this wonderful evening. Hopefully you will get your registration in early. You might be the lucky one who gets their registration fee reimbursed.

On Monday, August 24 our National Ballroom Dance Week Activities begin with introductory dance lessons for new members of our Chapter. If you know potential dancers who would be interested please give them the attached flyer covering these lessons. NBDW activities will culminate with our Beginners' Ball. Looking forward to dancing with you at Ballroom Sunday, August 23!

Cindy Caudle, President

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Meet the Local Dance Community

Our annual "Meet the Local Dance Community" beginner ballroom dance classes start on Monday, August 24. The lessons will feature Waltz, Foxtrot, Swing, Rumba, and Cha Cha taught by different local dance instructors. Cost of these 5 lessons plus the September 27 Beginners Ball and a one-year membership in Piedmont NC USA Dance is only \$45 per person. Those who have joined Piedmont NC USA Dance within the past year are invited to attend free.

The first lesson on August 24 will be the Waltz and will be at the Jerry Long Family YMCA, 1150 South Peacehaven Road. Subsequent lessons will be held at other instructor's studio. Some studios will offer special deals on follow-up lessons to those who participate in these classes. All lessons will be on Monday evening from 8 - 9 PM.

A **reservation form is enclosed**. Please pass along a copy to others you know who might be interested in learning our wonderful art.

Under the Glitter Dome

Make your reservation before September 1. Form attached.

August Ballroom Sunday

Wild Card Ball

Sunday, August 23, 2015 Fox Trot with Theresa Shadoin

4:00 – 4:30 PM Fox Trot Lesson

General Dancing – 4:30 – 6:30 PM Music by Hubert and Marcia Barney **Remember: It's the Fourth Sunday!**



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 1/2 mile and the YMCA is on your left. Go in the main entrance to a great dance. YMCA: 1150 S. Peacehaven Road, Clemmons 27012

Welcome New Member!

Vi Thai (right with Olivia Kleinmaier). a student of Adina Harper, joined us in July. We're delighted to have you, Vi!





Lauren Laws (left) came to our dance with her mother on July 26. We enjoyed meeting Lauren and were delighted to see Mother Gavle again! Tom Hovey (below right with Liz Gilkey), another student of Adina Harper,

Please come again!

dance. Please return! It was great to see former members **Dennis and** Melinda Zembower again on July 26! We are always happy to see friends from Carolina Heartland USA



Dance. We also welcomed visitors from North Myrtle Beach USA Dance.

Bring a guest to our August Ballroom Sunday! If they join you get in free in September and everyone enjoys the dance even more! New members will also qualify for the NBDW Beginner Lessons!

2015 at a Glance

August 23 - Wild Card Ball Fox Trot Lesson by Teresa Shadoin at 4 PM, Dance until 6:30 at the Jerry Long Family YMCA 1150 S. Peacehaven Rd., Clemmons Admission - \$5 USA Dance or YMCA Members; \$10 guests August 24 – National Ballroom Dance Week **Beginner Lessons Start** September 19 – Black Tie Dinner/Dance "Under the Glitter Dome" at the Lexington Municipal Club September 27 – Beginners' Ball Tango Lesson by Randy Garner October 25 – Presidents' Halloween Dance November 22 - Holiday Premier

Promenade & Annual Business Meeting December 27 – Early New Year's Dance

Footnotes

A special Thank You to Randy and Sherry Peters (right) and Bob and Wini Kniejski, (below left) for their continued aenerous.



A special Thank You,

contributions to our Friends and Sponsors Program.

too, to Joel Edwards and Beth Weatherman (below *right*) for their first contribution to the program. Beth and Joel will become husband and wife dance partners in

October. Members may also make Directed Contributions to support specific programs such as the Music Fund or the DVD Fund.





There's something suitable for all your dance friends, instructors, and partners!

Truisms

- -A great dancer can make the simple beautiful and the beautiful simple.
- -Even the best damce instructor can only teach those who have a desire to learn.
- -Spend the evening dancing you can't take it with you!
- -I feel fairly certain that my bad behavior hurts me more than my partner.
- -From trees learn patience with your partner. From, grass learn persistence with your dancing.
- -How simple things become when we loose ourselves in the joy of dance.
- -A dancer is seldom time rich and cash poor.
- -Only kindness can show the greatness of a partner.
- -One never enjoys music completely until they dance it.
- -For me dance is an action capable of creating happiness.
- -Dance is evidence that people still listen to music.

- -Leaders are like ship captains always avoiding glaciers.
- *-Every dancer needs a partner who says "you're the greatest."*
- -Dancers have second editions so that we get a chance to change the proofs.
- -Wise sayings may be forgotten when the music ends, but partners never throw away kind words.
- -Good partners seem even better in retrospect.
- -Dance is a form of action capable of influencing change.
- -To be caught up in the dance, that is happiness.

Invite Them!

. Can you remember why you came to your first USA Dance event? Decades ago a dancer friend who took lessons at the same studio as me invited me to attend a dance Her subsequent failure to show up made little difference – we still had a wonderful time. Why did we attend our first Black Tie Dinner Dance? Same reason, except this time the person who invited us was present.

In both cases I am eternally grateful to those friends who opened the door for not only a wonderful evening of dance, but a wonderful organization that has provided decades of dancing enjoyment.

I'll bet you know some wannabe or budding dancer who would also love to be a part of our terrific group for an evening or for decades! Here's the secret to getting them involved: Invite **them!** I don't mean stand in front of a group or send out a mass e-mail announcing the event – I mean invite them individually. Let them know that you want THEM to participate.

We have two major events within the next month that should interest that friend. The first starts on Monday, August 24 and is our National Ballroom Dance Week Beginner lessons. Now think of those friends who have expressed an interest in our art. Call them!

The second major event is our Black Tie Dinner Dance on September 19. It is a wonderful evening for any dancer – regardless of level – from novice through instructor. We don't have judges at this dance and the only competition is for who enjoys themselves the most! Get a table of friends together!

Reservation forms for each event is attached or enclosed. I hope to see YOU and your friends at one or both events.

Special Invitations:

=Mtn. Empire USA Dance – Third Saturday of each month in Marion, Virginia. Lesson @ 7:30, Dance 8:30 – 11 PM. Info: (276) 783-5402. \$7.50 members, \$10 guests.



=Carolina Heartlands USA Dance - Second Sunday, Lesson 2:30 – 3:15 PM Dancing until 5:00 PM, Guilford Grange, 4909 Guilford Road, Greensboro. \$5 members, \$10 guests, \$5 students. Info:336-210-0324.

=Foothills USA Dance 4th Saturday night at Hickory Christian Academy, 7:30 – 10:30 PM. \$5 members, \$8 guests. <u>www.carolinafoothills.org</u> for directions.

=Salsa lessons are offered every Saturday evening at Quality Inn of Winston-Salem offf Silas Creek Parkway across from Hanes Mall on Hawthorne Street) call 765-6670 for details.

Check our fabulous web site: <u>www.ballroom-dancing.org</u> for regular dance opportunities, registration forms, and other valuable information. Follow us on Facebook at: <u>www.facebook.com/groups/153346133198</u> and Twitter @PiedmontNCDance

Notes of Appreciation:

- To Adina Harper (right) for the wonderful Cha Cha lesson on July 26.
- To Cindy Caudle and John Clark for all the work they did and do to maintain our web site.
- > To the incomparable

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- To all who helped with the room setup, take down, decorations, greeting and refreshments at our July Ballroom Sunday Dance: Roger and Cindy Caudle, Liz Gilkey, Randy and Sherryl Peters, Dick and Helen Heck, Corky and Danny Flowers, and the Barneys.
- Thank You to Kinko's on Stratford Road for their great assistance with printing!
- To all, (such as Max and Carolyn Bumgarner, above) who bring a great attitude and a love of dance to our Ballroom Sundays and other events – you help make dancing so enjoyable. Max is also a wonderful assistant photographer!

Hear Ye, Hear Ye!

We'll add another great Dance Vision DVD to our Library on August 23: *American Style Rhythm Syllabus Beginning-Intermediate (Bronze) Rumba* with Donald Johnson and Kasia Kozak.

Bring a smile, a friend(s) and a snack to share to our

August 23 *Wild Card Ball*

See you at the Jerry Long Family YMCA On the 23rd — 4:00 PM

Dressy casual Attire

Remember: It's the 4th Sunday of 5 in August!