



Ballroom Beat

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We Promote Ballroom Dancing!

Your Prez Says

Hello fellow dancers,

Happy New Year and Happy Dancing. As we begin the new year for Piedmont NC USA your newly-elected board of directors have planned a fantastic year for our chapter. Goals have been set for community outreach activities, membership, National Ballroom Dance Week, and our annual Black Tie. The Board of Directors is just a few volunteer members who REALLY enjoy giving of their time and energy; however, YOU are our chapter and your board would like input from our members on how we could make our chapter stronger. Please share your ideas for Ballroom Sundays; let us know what dances you would like to be taught; are you interested in having workshops on a particular dance; what would help us reach potential dancers; or any other suggestion that would make us better. Please email me at piedmontdanceprez@gmail.com or call me 336-984-5967 with any ideas, suggestions, or concerns that you have. Together we can make our chapter shine and highlight our number one purpose to Promote Ballroom Dancing.

Simple decorations on our check-in table, food table, and the 5 small tables we use for Ballroom Sunday would be nice. If you are interested in decorating the tables for a dance, please let me know. Nothing elaborate required, just something to add a little spice to our dances.

I am looking forward to seeing you on Sunday!

Cindy Caudle, President



Social Occasion Dances

For over a decade Piedmont NC USA Dance has offered Beginner Ballroom Dance lessons in September for National Ballroom Dance Week. This year we will continue the program. We will also offer a beginning Social Occasions Dancing Class series in March.

This new class will again be taught by local dance instructors at their studios. The dances taught will be swing and rumba – the two ballroom dances most likely to be useable at those summer receptions, graduation parties, reunions, and other band or DJ events.

The series will consist of 5 classes and a dance. The classes will be free to all new members of our Chapter. Anyone who joins after January 1, 2016 will be eligible to attend.

This is a great opportunity to get all your friends who have been reluctant to tackle all the intricacies of ballroom dancing to take that first step onto the dance floor.

Attendance at these classes will not preclude new members' attendance at our National Ballroom Dance Week classes.

Charity Ball coming in February!
Donation of items to sell much appreciated.

January Ballroom Sunday

Snow Ball

Sunday, January 24, 2016
Cha Cha with Laura Steinbach

4:00 – 4:30 PM Cha Cha Lesson

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

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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

Welcome Guests!

Bob Martin, Hong Mozelle, Jiao Cai, Lillian Li, Susan and David Friedman, Jim and Danna Saddler, Dennis and Melinda Zembower were welcome guests in December. We hope you will return in January!

2016 at a Glance

January 24 – Snow Ball - Cha Cha Lesson by Laura Steinbach 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

February 28 – Charity Ball

March 20 - March Madness

(a week early due to Easter Sunday)

April 24 – Coming Out Dance

May 22 – We Salute You

June 26 – Summer Fun

July 24 – Splash Dance

August 20 – Black Tie Dinner Dance, Mid-Summer Dream

Lexington Municipal Club

August 28 – Sock Hop

September 25, – Beginners' Ball

Oct. 23– Presidents' Halloween Dance

November 27– Holiday Premier

Promenade & Annual Business Meeting

Dec. 30– Classy Casual Friday Finale (7PM)

The Hubert solution: Dance until 6:15 and you can still catch the Kick-off! (Panthers play at 6:30)

Thank You to Roger and Cindy Caudle, John and Darrel Buczek, Liz Gilkey, and the Barneys for their help with Hospitality on December 27. Remember, if you'd like to be Decorator for a dance, please let Cindy know.

Truisms

- In the case of beautiful Foxtrots it is not how many you hear, but how many you dance.
- All dancing is autobiographical.
- We cannot help a leader by leading him.
- Never spend more time in lessons than dancing.
- My most perfect dance is the one I do for the pure joy of it.
- The most important dance is this one.
- Getting rid of old habits makes room for better ones.
- No one else hears the music exactly the way you do and no one dances exactly the way you do.
- My universe is made of dances, not of atoms.
- Never be a prisoner of steps at the expense of technique.
- Contentment is a good dance.
- No great dance goes unfelt.
- To err is human, to blame it on your partner is even more human.
- No happy dancer is ever uninteresting.

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

January 24

Snow Ball

at the

Jerry Long Family YMCA

On the 24th– 4:00 PM

Dressy casual Attire

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

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