

Ballroom Beat

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We Fromote Ballroom Dancing!

Prez Sez..

Hello fellow dancers,

It is that time of year when we begin to gear up for the hustle and bustle of the coming holidays.

Before we do let's take time to reflect on our chapter and what makes it wonderful.

Our purpose is to **promote ballroom dancing**. We have hosted many activities this year to do just that. In addition to our monthly Ballroom Sunday dances we had a booth at Clemmons Community Day. We held Introductory Special Occasion and Social Dancing Classes featuring Rumba and Swing in the spring. We had a fantastic "Mid-Summer Dream" Black Tie Dinner/Dance. Our annual National Ballroom Dance Week "Give Ballroom Dancing a Whirl" Introductory Lessons with our local instructors brought several new members to ballroom dancing. We just completed Introductory Holiday Social Dancing Classes featuring Fox Trot and Cha Cha. We will participate in the Jerry Long YMCA Holiday Expo again this year. We are planning a special early New Year's dance on Friday evening December 30. This is what I call promoting ballroom dancing!

A very special thanks to our active board members Wini Kniejski, Olivia Kleinmaier, Marcia Barney, Roger Caudle and Music Committee Chair Hubert Barney who attend our meetings and have volunteered many hours to plan, instruct, and carry out all the above activities. I have had nothing but positive responses from our members who have participated in these events. You guys are great!

Happy Thanksgiving!

Hope to see you at our "Holiday Premier Promenade" on November 27,

Cindy Caudle, President

New Board Member

President Cindy Caudle has announced, and the Piedmont NC USA Dance Board has approved, the appointment of Lynne Forrest to our Chapter Board. Lynne and partner/husband Scott (*below*) are relatively

new dancers who joined us earlier this year. Since joining they have participated in numerous Chapter events including our Black Tie and two of our Social Dance Class Series.



The Board enthusiastically endorses the appointment of Lynne and recommends that the Chapter confirm her appointment during our annual business session on November 27.

Annual Business Meeting

This is our "off" year for Board elections so we will only be confirming appointments made by Cindy and approved by the Board. We will also vote on other items of business that may need to be considered by the membership of our Chapter. Remember, your desires guide the actions of the Chapter Board.

November Ballroom Sunday

Holiday Premier Promenade and Annual Business Meeting

> Sunday, November 27, 2016 Swing with Randy Garner

4:00 - 4:30 PM Swing Lesson

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

Have a Wonderful Thanksgiving!

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

2016 at a Glance

November 27 – Holiday Premier Promenade and Annual Business Meeting

Swing Lesson by Randy Garner 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

Dec. 30– *Classy Casual Friday* Finale (7PM) August 19, 2017 – Black Tie Dinner Dance, Commons on the Green, Lexington

Thank You:

-To Teresa Shadoin for the fun Rumba lesson at our Presidents' Halloween Dance in October.

-To Roger and Cindy Caudle, Liz Gilkey, Dick and Helen Heck, Corky and Danny Flowers, and the Barneys for venue set-up and refreshments.

-To Roger and Cindy Caudle for doing our first Spotlight Step demo on October 23!

-To Hubert Barney for his help with proofing, planning, and comments in newsletter production.

-To all who bring an attitude of fun and love of dance

to our Ballroom Sundays!

Congratulations to Bob and Wini Kniejski (*left*) who just keep on winning. This time it was at the Fred Astaire Nationals in Orlando Florida. Wini was First in Pro/Am Rhythm

Championships, Pro/Am Smooth Championships,

and in all dances in the multi-dance competition. Is it any surprise that she was chosen the Top Silver Female at the competition?

Truisms

- -The dance floor is full of magical things patiently waiting for us to discover them.
- -Great leaders and great partners understand what is important to their partners.
- -Dancers can always learn something new.
- -Until you learn to express yourself you are just a reflection of others.
- -The more one watches the less one dances.
- -The value of dancing is not in expertise, but in iov.
- -There's enough music for everyone to dance.
- -When the world goes crazy just go dancing.
- -Have the grace to accept the way you dance and the expectation of better to come!
- -Happiness is when you hear the music, feel the music, and express the music in dance.
- -Dance as much as you can now so you can dance more tomorrow.
- Chess takes thinking. Dancing demands feeling.

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

November 27
Holiday Premier Promenade
and
Annual Business Meeting

at the Jevry Long Family YMCA On the 27th— 4:00 PM

Dressy casual Holiday attire

Don't miss this opportunity to get your Holiday started just right!

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