



Ballroom Beat

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We Promote Ballroom Dancing!

New Social Dance Series

Our first Social Dance Series was so much fun that we decided to offer a second series this fall. The Fall series will be Social Dancing for the Holidays and will cover Fox Trot and Cha Cha.

The classes begin on Wednesday, October 19 and will continue for 5 consecutive Wednesdays. The “graduation party” will be our Holiday Premier Promenade on November 27.

The Social Dance Series is designed for beginning adult dancers and those who wish to polish their Fox Trot and Cha Cha skills before the Holiday parties begin. To attend the classes, one must either join Piedmont NC USA Dance. If you are already a member you can attend by extending your membership for a year.

Classes will be from 7 until 8 PM at the Jerry Long Family YMCA (our usual venue.) Child care is available to member of the Y during that time.

A reservation form is attached. Use it and/or pass it along to a potential dancer.

Mid-Summer Night Dream Black Tie Dinner/Dance

If you missed it you missed a really great evening of dancing. The decorations set the mood, the delicious



food gave us energy, the music inspired us and the marvelous floor gave us the arena. We had such a great time that your Board decided we should go back again next year!

Pictures from the event are on www.ballroom-dancing.org.

Breaking News: Our 2017 Black Tie Dinner/Dance will again be at Commons on the Green in Lexington. Mark the date now on your calendar: **Saturday, August 19.**

*The
Dance
Company
at the
Black Tie
Dance on
August
20, 2016.*



National Ballroom Dance Week

This is National Ballroom Dance Week and we concluded the evening classes for our beginner lessons this week. Sunday will be the culmination with a Fox Trot lesson by Adina Harper (who learned at the evening Fox Trot lesson that this was not our normal group of beginning dancers.)

Be sure to come to the dance – our Beginners’ Ball – on Sunday to welcome the new dancers as well as to enjoy an afternoon of dancing.

Since it is National Ballroom Dance Week make an extra effort to dance at least one extra time this week. Check out www.ballroom-dancing.org for potential other dances to attend, too.

September Ballroom Sunday

Beginners Ball

Sunday, September 25, 2016
Fox Trot with Adina Harper (at left)

4:00 – 4:30 PM Fox Trot Lesson

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

Foot Notes:

A special "Thank You" to **Randy and Sherryl Peters** (rt.) who made another Gold contribution to our Friends and Sponsors Program. Congratulations to **Bob and Wini**



Kniejski (left) who are continuing their competitive winning streak. In July they won over a dozen medals and several trophies at the Fred Astaire Nationals in Las Vegas. Among their impressive wins was Wini's

selection as the **Top Silver Female Competitor** – surprising no one but Wini.



2016 at a Glance

Sept. 25 – Beginners' Ball – Fox Trot Lesson by Adina Harper 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

Oct. 19 – Social Dancing for the Holidays Begins

Oct. 23– Presidents' Halloween Dance
Rumba Lesson by Teresa Shadoin

November 27– Holiday Premier
Promenade & Annual Business Meeting
Swing Lesson by Randy Harper

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

August 19, 2017 – Black Tie Dinner Dance,
Commons on the Green, Lexington

Thank You: To Board (Roger and Cindy Caudle, Hubert and Marcia Barney, Vi Thai) and Committee Members Liz Gilkey and Randy and Sherryl Peters for planning and decorating for our Black Tie! To The Caudles, the Peters, Dick and Helen Heck, Danny and Corky Flowers, Ingrid and Chris Squire, Liz Gilkey, and the Barneys for making our Ballroom Sundays fun and tasty!

Truisms

- You can change your dancing by merely changing your attitude.
- Dancers remember far better what they do than what they see or hear.
- When the political season starts to get you down just go dancing.
- Only space restrictions keeps me from waltzing to elevator music.
- A good leader is most interested in making his partner look good
- A good follower is most interest in making her partner look brilliant.
- Dancing is the most powerful tool you can use to improve your dancing.
- Steps without technique is just walking to music.
- A good instructor is the conscience keeper of our dancing.
- I dance 2 tunes – what I feel and what I hear.
- Who, if they can dance, is poor?
- The purpose of dance is to turn music into magic.

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

September 25

Beginners Ball

at the

Jerry Long Family YMCA

On the 25th– 4:00 P M

Dressy casual Attire

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