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News from the Richmond and Tri-Cities Chapters of USA Dance, Inc

Richmond and Tri-Cities USA Dance Chapter Dances

- Saturday Aug 3** Richmond Chapter First Saturday Dance. **Rigby's Jig, 5470 W. Broad St**, 7:00-7:50pm Cha Cha lesson with Walter & Judy Schultz. Dancing 7:50-10p. Music by Walter.
- Saturday Aug 10** Tri-Cities Chapter Dance. Wesley United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 3701 Conduit Rd, Colonial Heights, VA 7pm Waltz lesson by Brian Westerlund. 7:45-10p dancing to music by Jerry Scaglione.
- Saturday Aug 17** Richmond Chapter Dance, Deep Run Rec Center, 9910 Ridgefield Parkway. 7-7:50 Rumba lesson with Ruth Graninger. Dancing 7:50-10pm. Music by Bill Irwin.

The Richmond Chapter of USA Dance, Inc. holds dances on the first Saturday of each month at Rigby's Jig Dance Studio and the third Saturday at Deep Run Recreation Center. Richmond Chapter only: Member admission: Adults \$5, Students w/ID & Social Youth-free. Nonmember admission: Adults \$8, Student (with valid ID) & Youth \$3; No children under 8 years admitted to any Richmond Chapter dance. The Tri-Cities Chapter holds a dance on the Second Saturday at Wesley United Methodist Church, 3701 Conduit Rd, Colonial Heights. Tri-Cities admissions – members \$6; nonmembers/guests \$10; student w/ID \$4

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President's Corner

WOW – it hit 100+ degrees several times during this recent heat spell – doesn't Mother Nature know that this is Richmond?? That's desert weather! The forecast as I write this is for thunderstorms and a major drop in temp, but I'll believe that when I get wet from the OUTside when I go out to get the mail... At least it was comfortable at both of our dances in July – with great AC systems and cool music! That should still be the case this month so if you are in town, we hope you will join us. We recognize that there is a lot of competition for your entertainment dollar, but I KNOW you can't beat our bang for the buck anywhere. Shoot – you can't even eat at McDonalds for \$5!

Our 1st Saturday Dance at Rigby's Jig was a lot of fun. Walter and Judy Schultz came up from Virginia Beach to teach a cool Cha Cha class to 48 eager dancers. Everybody there mastered the first half of the routine and is looking forward to getting the rest of it when the Schultz's return on August 3. They will review the first part before moving on. Walter also provided a very nice dance mix as our guest DJ. Karen's Krew will be back, too, with another wonderful assortment of goodies to help fuel your dancing. All we need to add is YOU!

The Deep Run dance was also an enjoyable evening. Ruth Graninger and assistant, Doug McRae, taught what initially appeared to be a very challenging Rumba lesson, but ended up being easy to master by the way they broke it down. Even better, these were fun moves that can easily be added to your Cha Cha OR your Night Club 2-Step repertoire to add punch to those dances. Ruth returns on August 17 to add more steps and a different finish to the routine for more dance options. And DJ Bill Irwin and Connie's Crew will also be back with more great music and tasty treats to make the evening complete.

In July we added something new – a 50/50 raffle. After much discussion about how we can continue to fund our Youth programs without raising our admission, your Board decided to test a monthly raffle at the 3rd Saturday Dance. Tickets will be sold one half hour before the intermission and the winning ticket will be

drawn then. Tickets are only \$1 each or 7 for a \$5 contribution. The lucky ticket holder will win a cash prize equal to half of the money collected during the sale. The remaining proceeds from this raffle go into our Youth Program to support scholarships and the funding of youth dance programs. In addition to the raffle, we are also selling bottled water for \$1 at The Dance Space, with these proceeds also going to the Youth Program. You can help the Chapter by buying a raffle ticket or a bottle of water – or by dropping off a case of water at TDS for us to sell. All donations are appreciated.

On July 21, we held a Memorial Tea Dance at The Dance Space. While the initial intent was to honor the memory of Edith Lanning, we decided to extend the tribute to include ALL our dearly departed dancers – a total of 41 lovely souls who are no longer dancing with us. 62 people showed up in 100+ weather to help us celebrate these friends. Karen Anderson built a lovely display with the names of all the dancers we are aware of who have passed and with pictures of many of them. Many attendees brought photos to share and most brought a dessert or snack. It was a wonderful event, with dancing to many of Edith's favorite songs and a sweet video of her dancing one of the many exhibitions she performed over the final 40 years of her life. It was just what Edith would have wanted for a Celebration of Life – lots of friends, lots of dancing, lots of smiles, lots of good snacks, and very few tears. The Dance Space donated their venue for this dance in honor of Edith and the other founding members of this studio who have passed on that we recognized that day – Deroy Beale, Douglas Pace, and Will Wilson.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for National Ballroom Dance Week. We will celebrate it on September 21 at Deep Run with some very special exhibitions and spectacular door prizes. And it's not too late to be a part of the International WC Swing Rally – check inside for practice dates and sites.

See you on the dance floor! - Phil

Simply Ballroom Dance Studio – August 2019

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<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
Pricing: Group Classes: \$10.00/person (\$8/students) 10-Class Card: \$90 Friday class/party: \$12.00/person (\$10/students) Newcomer Social: \$10/person (\$8/person monthly members) New Student Offer: 3 weeks unlimited groups and parties \$59/singles, \$79/couples!				1 9am Ballroom Boogie 10:15 am Jazzercise 7pm Bronze Variations Rumba	2 10am Jazzercise 7:00pm Carolina Shag 8:00pm Party Includes Cha Cha Lesson	3 9am Ballroom Boogie 1:00pm Beginner Foxtrot & Swing 2:00pm Intermediate I Swing
4 	5 10am Jazzercise 6:30pm Beginner Cha Cha & Rumba 7:30pm Intermediate I Cha Cha	6 10am Jazzercise 1:00pm Ballroom Basics Foxtrot/Swing 7-9pm DVIDA Instructor Training	7 11am Parkinson's Dance 6:15pm Line Dance 7:15pm Variety Class Carolina Shag 1 of 3	8 9am Ballroom Boogie 10:15 am Jazzercise 7pm Bronze Variations Foxtrot	9 10am Jazzercise 7:00pm Salsa 8:00pm Party Includes Waltz Lesson	10 9am Ballroom Boogie 1:00pm Beginner Cha Cha & Rumba 2:00pm Intermediate I Rumba
11 Newcomer Social 1-3pm	12 10am Jazzercise 6:30pm Beginner Tango & Waltz 7:30pm Intermediate I Waltz	13 10am Jazzercise 1:00pm Ballroom Basics Cha Cha/Rumba 7-9pm DVIDA Instructor Training	14 11am Parkinson's Dance 6:15pm Line Dance 7:15pm Carolina Shag 2 of 3	15 9am Ballroom Boogie 10:15 am Jazzercise 7pm Bronze Variations Swing	16 10am Jazzercise 7:00pm Bachata 8:00pm Movie Night! Party Includes Swing Lesson	17 9am Ballroom Boogie 1:00pm Beginner Tango & Waltz 2:00pm Intermediate I Tango
18 	19 10am Jazzercise 6:30pm Beginner Foxtrot & Swing 7:30pm Intermediate I Swing	20 10am Jazzercise 1:00pm Ballroom Basics Tango/Waltz 7-9pm DVIDA Instructor Training	21 11am Parkinson's Dance 6:15pm Line Dance 7:15pm Variety Class Carolina Shag 3 of 3	22 9am Ballroom Boogie 10:15 am Jazzercise 7pm Bronze Variations Waltz	23 10am Jazzercise 7:00pm Samba 8:00pm Party Includes Rumba Lesson	24 9am Ballroom Boogie 1:00pm Beginner Foxtrot & Swing 2:00pm Intermediate I Foxtrot
25 Riccardo & Sonia Coachings and 1pm Rumba Styling Workshop	26 10am Jazzercise 6:30pm Beginner Cha Cha & Rumba 7:30pm Intermediate I Rumba	27 10am Jazzercise 1:00pm Ballroom Basics Foxtrot/Swing 7-9pm DVIDA Instructor Training	28 11am Parkinson's Dance 6:15pm Line Dance 7:15pm Variety Class Bolero 1 of 3	29 9am Ballroom Boogie 10:15 am Jazzercise 7pm Bronze Variations Cha Cha	30 10am Jazzercise 7:00pm Salsa 8:00pm Party Includes Tango Lesson	31 9am Ballroom Boogie 1:00pm Beginner Cha Cha & Rumba 2:00pm Intermediate I Cha Cha

New for August:

Movie Night: Join us for a fun theme party on August 16th. Come dressed as your favorite movie character and enjoy dancing to movie inspired dance music! Costumes optional but prizes for best ones!! \$12/person, free for monthly members.

Newcomer Social: Sunday, Aug. 11th 1-3pm. Party designed especially for newer students! We will play music only for the 6 major dances that are taught in our beginner series. Instructors will review the basic step before each dance and be available to help if you get "stuck" or have questions. We will mix in a couple line dances and have some light refreshments as well. \$10/person, \$8/person monthly members.

NEW! Bronze Variations: Thursdays 7pm. Learn exciting and fun off-syllabus patterns and styling for various dances. \$10/person per class, free for monthly members. Singles and couples welcome. Suitable for intermediate and above level students.

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Current Richmond policy gives "first timers" at our dances free admission. So bring a friend or 2 and let them be our guest.

Birthdays

Richmond Chapter

8/4 Thuyen Trevino
8/7 Linda Chermiside
8/8 Davis Holister
8/10 Charlene Richeson
8/12 Ellis Lewis
8/14 Gabe Pascarella
8/14 Jim Rucker
8/15 Valerie Adams
8/21 Barry Proctor
8/28 Debbie Schroff
8/30 Karen Crawford
8/31 Heather Mlot

Tri Cities Chapter

8/9 Brian Westerlund



Walter & Judy Schultz, teaching Cha Cha at our 1st Saturday dance

REMEMBER - Richmond members get into 1 free dance during their birthday month (with the exception of the Holiday Dance)

Just a reminder that we are unable to take bills larger than \$20 for a \$5/8 admission.

This does not apply to membership or renewals

Renewals

Richmond Chapter

Ellis Lewis
Richard Hollands
Ellen Mary Krueger
Hadis Morkoc
Richard Posa
Jim Rucker

Tri Cities

Carol Antonius
Ruth Wilbourne

Richmond has a youth scholarship program. Check out our website and click on the Scholarship link



Ruth Graninger (assisted by Doug McRae), teaching Rumba at Deep Run

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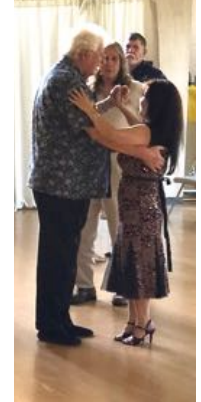
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Check out our special Friday Night Parties. 8/9 Ice Cream Social, 8/23 joint dance w/Richmond Shag Club; 8/30 Disco Party.</p>				<p>1</p> <p>7-8 Beg – Am Tango w/Phyllis</p> <p>8-9 Practice dance w/coaching</p>	<p>2</p> <p>CLOSED FOR VACATION</p>	<p>3</p> <p>1st Sat Swing Dance</p> <p>7:30p Beginner Lesson</p> <p>8:30-11:30 Dancing</p> <p>Hosted by Catherine</p>
<p>4</p> <p>Sunday Evening Lesson & Dance</p> <p>6p Salsa w/Baramon</p> <p>7-9p (Ballroom Mix) DJ-Mike</p>	<p>5</p> <p>5:45-6:45 SHiNE Dance Fitness</p> <p>The Salsa Guy – Angel R</p> <p>7p Basic Salsa & 7p-Basic Rueda Salsa</p> <p>8p- Salsa Intermediate</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Private Lessons</p>	<p>7</p> <p><u>Learn the Intern'l WCS Flash Mob routine w/Baramon Lesson 7-8</u></p> <p>8-10p-practice dance</p>	<p>8</p> <p>7-8 Beg – Hustle/Disco w/Mike</p> <p>8-9 Practice dance w/coaching</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Friday Night Party and <u>ICE CREAM SOCIAL</u></p> <p>8-10</p> <p>8-8:30 w/John</p> <p>Smooth BR Technique Ballroom Mix w/DJ Phil</p>	<p>10</p> <p>2nd Saturday Swing Dance</p> <p>7:30p Beg Lesson</p> <p>8:30-11:30 Dancing</p> <p>Hosted by Andy & Rita</p>
<p>11</p> <p>Sunday Evening Lesson & Dance</p> <p>6p Argentine Tango w/Phyllis</p> <p>7-9p (California Mix) DJ - Doug</p>	<p>12</p> <p>5:45-6:45 SHiNE Dance Fitness</p> <p>The Salsa Guy – Angel R</p> <p>7p Basic Salsa & 7p-Basic Rueda Salsa</p> <p>8p- Salsa Intermediate</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Private Lessons</p>	<p>14</p> <p><u>Learn the Intern'l WCS Flash Mob routine w/Baramon Lesson 7-8</u></p> <p>8-10p-practice dance</p>	<p>15</p> <p>7-8 Beg – Foxtrot w/Mike</p> <p>8-9 Practice dance w/coaching</p>	<p>16</p> <p>3rd Friday Latin Party w/DJ ElDuro</p> <p>Salsa, Merengue & Bachata dancing</p> <p>9-11:30pm</p>	<p>17</p> <p>RVA Rent Party</p> <p>7:30p Beginner Lesson</p> <p>8:30-11:30 Dancing</p> <p>Everyone Welcome!</p>
<p>18</p> <p>Sunday Evening Lesson & Dance</p> <p>6p Quickstep w/ John</p> <p>7-9p (Ballroom Mix) DJ - Phil</p>	<p>19</p> <p>5:45-6:45 SHiNE Dance Fitness</p> <p>The Salsa Guy – Angel R</p> <p>7p Basic Salsa & 7p-Basic Rueda Salsa</p> <p>8p- Salsa Intermediate</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Private Lessons</p>	<p>21</p> <p><u>Learn the Intern'l WCS Flash Mob routine w/Baramon Lesson 7-8</u></p> <p>8-10p-practice dance</p>	<p>22</p> <p>7-8 Beg – Rumba w/Mike</p> <p>8-9 Practice dance w/coaching</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Friday Night SHAG PARTY, 7-10p</p> <p>7-8 Shag lesson w/ Steve & Phyllis</p> <p>Also, Shag Club Demo DJ - Jerry</p>	<p>24</p> <p>NO WCS RVA dance in August – look for them again next month</p>
<p>25</p> <p>Sunday Evening Lesson & Dance</p> <p>6p – Workshop w/Katie Bigelow</p> <p>7-9p (Country Mix) DJ - Jerry</p>	<p>26</p> <p>5:45-6:45 SHiNE Dance Fitness</p> <p>The Salsa Guy – Angel R</p> <p>7p Basic Bachata</p> <p>8p-Intermed. Bachata</p>	<p>27</p> <p>10:45 – 8p Private Lessons</p>	<p>28</p> <p><u>Learn the Intern'l WCS Flash Mob routine w/Baramon Lesson 7-8</u></p> <p>8-10p-practice dance</p> <p>Privates 8:45-4p</p>	<p>29</p> <p>7-8 Beg – Waltz w/Mike</p> <p>8-9 Practice dance w/coaching</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Friday Night <u>DISCO PARTY!</u></p> <p>8-8:30 Hustle less w/John H.</p> <p>8:30-10:30 Disco music (with a mix of slow music) by El Duro</p>	<p>31</p> 

Tri-Cities Newsletter

By Sharon Dunn

The Heat did not stop us! Tri-Cities Chapter had a fantastic Foxtrot lesson in July with Glenn Lovelace. Glen's detailed instruction can make you feel like there is nothing you cannot master. We have enjoyed having Glen with us for the past two months for a Rumba and a Foxtrot lesson, and we look forward to have him joining us again in the future!



We will be have a Waltz Lesson with Brian Westerlund, from the Off and Dancing Studio on August 10. We will also be having a special demonstration showcasing the Waltz with one of Brian's students. Please make sure to join us in August!

The Salsa and West Coast Flashmobs are underway and we have been having a lot of fun learning the routines for Salsa and West Coast for the National Ballroom Dance Week, which is September 20-29, 2019. It is still not too late if you want to try to learn the routines to perform with the group at various locations in late August and September. Please send a message to 804-721-4904 if you are interested in learning both or either routines and we will send you time and location of lessons.

We encourage you to 'get dancing' and join USA Dance!

We would like to thank Carol Antonius and Ruth Wilbourne-Gandel for renewing their memberships for the Tri-Cities Chapter in July!



Tri Cities Dance/Lesson Schedule

Date	Dance	Instructor	DJ
August 10, 2019	Waltz	Brian Westerlund	Jerry Scaglione
September 14, 2019	Cha Cha	Steve Kirvan	Mike Recant
October 12, 2019	Country Two Step	Ashley Byrd	Jerry Scaglione
November 9, 2019	Bachata	Edwin Roa	Randy Goodfellow
December 14, 2019	No Lesson	No Lesson	Doug McRae



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Richmond 2019 Lesson Schedule

RIGBY's

DEEP RUN

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DJ

Instructor/Dance

Aug 3	Walter & Judy Schultz	Cha Cha	Walter & Judy Schultz	August 17 – Deep Run Ruth Graninger / Rumba
Sept 7	John Holcomb	Waltz	John Holcomb	Sept 21 – Deep Run –NBDW David Headly / Viennese Waltz
Oct 5	John Holcomb	Waltz	John Holcomb	October 19 – Deep Run (costumes) David Headly / Viennese Waltz
Nov 2	Eleanor Robertson	Bolero	Eleanor Robertson	Nov 16 – Deep Run (honor Vets) Doug McRae / Country 2-Step
Dec 7	Eleanor Robertson	Bolero	Eleanor Robertson	December 21 Holiday Dance – DJ Mike Recant

AUGUST 2019

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 7:00pm Eleanor's Formation- East & West Coast Swing 1 of 12* (Pre-registration required) 8:00pm Intro to Rhumba with Eleanor 1 of 5 8:30pm - 10:00pm Dance Party!!! Men's Night – Men get in FREE!!!!	2 ** Latin Night** Hosted by The Salsa Guy & Rigby's Jig 8:30pm–9:00pm Lesson with “Salsa Guy” Angel Rodriguez 9:00pm – 12:00am Latin Social Dancing with DJ El Duro! \$5.00 for all guests	3 ** USA Dance** (Richmond Chapter) 7:00pm–7:50pm Cha Cha Lesson with Walter & Judy Schultz 7:50pm – 10:00pm Social Dancing <i>\$5.00 for USA Dance</i> <i>members. \$8.00 for non-</i> <i>members</i>
5 7:00pm Intermediate Salsa with Eleanor 1 of 3 8:00pm Advanced East Coast Swing with Eleanor 1 of 3	6 7:00pm Beg. I Hustle with Ruth 1 of 3 8:00pm Beg. II Foxtrot with Marvin 1 of 3	7	8 7:00pm Eleanor's Formation- East & West Coast Swing 2 of 12* (Pre-registration required) 8:00pm Intro to Rhumba with Eleanor 2 of 5 8:30pm - 10:00pm Dance Party!!!	9	10 8:00-10:00 pm Members Only Dance Party! BYOB & Potluck <i>Host TBA</i>
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Richmond Chapter Board Openings

There are currently two At-Large Member vacancies on the Richmond Chapter Board of Directors. We are authorized to have up to nine members under the terms of USA Dance bylaws.

The requirements to be an At-Large member are as follows: 1. Must be a member in good standing of the Richmond Chapter (i.e. – USA Dance dues are paid for the current year); 2. Attend monthly board meetings on a regular basis; 3. Assist in the planning of chapter events (dances, exhibitions, NBDW activities, etc.); 4. Participate in discussions and voting on any issues before the Board at monthly Board meetings or online for issues arising between meetings that require a decision by the Board; 5. Be an advocate for the Richmond Chapter when attending chapter dances and assist as needed at dances when in attendance.

That's it.

In return you get free admission to Richmond Chapter dances and the satisfaction of knowing that you are a part of the team that believes in our mission of providing quality ballroom dance opportunities and experiences for our members and guests.

If you would like more information or would like to volunteer for one of these positions, please contact Phil Sisk at (804) 382-2889 or send him an email at plsisk@aol.com.

What is Bachata

Bachata is a style of dance that originated in the Dominican Republic. It is danced widely all over the world but not identically.

The basics to the dance are three-step with a Cuban hip motion, followed by a tap including a hip movement on the 4th beat. The knees should be slightly bent so the performer can sway the hips easier. The movement of the hips is very important because it's a part of the soul of the dance. Generally, most of the dancer's movement is in the lower body up to the hips, and the upper body moves much less.

In partnering, the lead can decide whether to perform in open or closed position. Dance moves, or step variety, during performance strongly depends on the music (such as the rhythms played by the different instruments), setting, mood, and interpretation. Unlike Salsa, Bachata dance does not usually include complex turn patterns but they are used more and more as the dance evolves. The leading is done just

like in most other social dances, with a “pushing and pulling” hand and arm communication. Hand and arm communication is better conveyed when most of the movement is performed by the lower body (from waist down); i.e. hips and footwork. Bachata is commonly known by many as a very sensual dance. To most it may seem that way; however, that is not what it is intended to be taken as. Bachata is a dance, done by a person with another, to express the feelings one has for a specific other. It is believed by most, that the more smoothly and more frequently the hips are used and moved, the more feelings the individual has for the other. With that said bachata originated as a sort of “mating call,” if you were selected for a dance of bachata, you were chosen as a mate, two dances with the same individual, “sealed the deal.”

The original dance style from the Dominican Republic in the Caribbean is a basic dance sequence in a full 8 count, moving within a square. Dancers in the Western World later began developing a more simple pattern, also in a full 8 count, but with a side-to-side motion. Both Styles consist of 3 steps normal and then a tap step. The tap is often accompanied by a “pop” of the hips, and is sometimes substituted with syncopations (steps in between the beats – some similar to cha-cha steps and others much different). Bachata music has an accent in rhythm at every fourth count. Often, this is when dancers will tap-step & pop their hips – this is called dancing bachata to the music (because the first step after the pop falls on the 1st beat of the measure). But bachata can be danced to different timings as well if it's danced to one particular instrument instead. The tap or ‘pop’ is done in the opposite direction of the last step, while the next step is taken on the same direction as the tap or pop. The dance direction changes after the tap or fourth step.

{from *Incognito Dance*}

Circulating

In a social dance situation it is appropriate to dance with a variety of people. It is poor dance etiquette to partner up & dance with the same person all evening. Some will prefer certain dance partners to others, but it should not prevent them from accepting an offer to dance from a new person. If the same person asks you to dance repeatedly, for several dances in a row, it is acceptable to say, “thank you, but I'd like to meet and dance with some other people for a while. I'll be happy to dance with you again later in the evening.”

{from USA Dance website blog}

August 2019 DANCE CALENDAR

Date	Organization/Event/Time	Location	Contact	Admission/Band/Notes
8/2	Latin Night hosted by The Salsa Guy and Rigby's Jig. 8:30-9 lesson. 9-12 dancing to DJ El Duro	Rigby's Jig 5470 W. Broad St.	804-864-2300 or RigbysJig.com	\$5 per person
8/2	Friday Night Dance Party. 7-7:30 lesson. Dancing til 9:30p	The Ballroom Club 10960 Three Chopt. Rd	(804)447-3082 theballroomclub.com	\$10 per person
8/3	Richmond Chapter dance. 7-7:50 ChaCha less w/Walter & Judy; dancing 7:50-10p	Rigby's Jig 5470 W. Broad St.	Phil Sisk plsisk@aol.com	Music by Walter
8/3	Williamsburg USA Chapter Luau (Tropical) Dance.. 7p Cha Cha less w/Brad Wanzor. Dancing 8-10p	Quarterpath Rec Center 202 Quarterpath Rd Williamsburg, VA	Williamsburgusadance.com	Music by Ed Pabalate
8/7	International WCS Rally lessons are 7-8, every Wed. Practice dancing 8-10	The Dance Space 6004 West Broad St	804-673-3326 info@thedancespace.com	\$10 pp
8/9	Beat the heat & join us for an Ice Cream Social. 8p less;dancing til 10.	The Dance Space 6004 West Broad St	804-673-3326 info@thedancespace.com	\$7 per person
8/9	Sophisticats Ballroom Dance Club dance. 6:30-7:30 Silver Foxtrot less. Dancing 7:30-9:30p	Huguenot Road Baptist Church. 10525 W. Huguenot Rd	(804)-276-8872 sophisticats.droppages.com	See website for cost-membership, visitor, etc.
8/10	Tri-Cities Chapter Dance, 7-7:45 Waltz lesson w/Brian Westerlund, 7:45-10p social dancing.	Wesley United Methodist Church, 3701 Conduit Rd. Colonial Heights, VA	804-721-4904 sdunn6060@aol.com	Music by Jerry Scaglione
8/10	Members only Dance Party Host TBA	Rigby's Jig 5470 W. Broad St.	804-864-2300 or RigbysJig.com	BYOB & Potluck
8/11	Newcomer Social, 1-3pm. 6 major dances, plus some line dances. Review of basic steps; help avail.	Simply Ballroom 3549 Courthouse Rd, Richmond, VA	(804)-276-3343 simplyballroomva.com	Light refreshments. Singles and couples. \$10pp/8 members
8/16	3 rd Friday Salsa, Bachata & Merengue dance. DJ El Duro.9-11:30	The Dance Space 6004 West Broad St	804-673-3326 info@thedancespace.com	ONLY \$5 PP
8/16	Movie Night at Simply Ballroom. 8p Dress as favorite movie character. Dance to movie inspired music.	Simply Ballroom 3549 Courthouse Rd, Richmond, VA	(804)-276-3343 simplyballroomva.com	Prizes for best costumes. \$12pp; free to members
8/16	The Ballroom Club Grand Opening, 7:30-10p. RSVP by August 9th	10960 Three Chopt Rd. Richmond, VA	info@theballroomclub.com	
8/17	Richmond Chapter dance. 7-7:50 Rumba lesson w/Ruth G. Dancing til 10p.	Deep Run Rec. Center 9910 Ridgefield Parkway	Phil Sisk 804-382-2889 plsisk@aol.com	Music by Bill Irwin
8/17	Charlottesville Swing Dance Society Workshops w/Brandi Guild, 2-8pm. Dancing 8-11p	Ivy Creek Methodist Church 674 Woodlands Rd. Charlottesville, VA	cvilleswingdance.com	DJ Eddie Karoliussen
8/19	Richmond USA Dance Board Meeting	9620 Evansway Lane Richmond	804-382-2889 plsisk@aol.com	Agenda items 24 hr. prior to meeting
8/23	Sophisticats Ballroom Dance Club dance, 7-9p	Stonebridge Recreation Center, 230 Karl Linn Dr.	(804)-276-8872 sophisticats.droppages.com	See website for cost-membership, visitor, etc.
8/23	SHAG night at The Dance Space. 7p lesson;dancing til 10p	The Dance Space 6004 West Broad St	804-673-3326 info@thedancespace.com	\$7 per person. Light refreshments. Demo's
8/24	Tidewater USA Dance. 7:30-Am foxtrot less w/Alan Hedgpeth. Dancing 8:30-10:30	A Time To Dance 5444 Virginia Beach Blvd Va Beach, VA	www.twcusadance.org	Admission \$10, \$15 & \$5 DJ – Alan Hedgpeth
8/24	Charlottesville USA Dance WCS 7-beg,7:30-intermed. by Eddie & Adela. Dance 8-10:15	Unity of Charlottesville 2825 Hydraulic Rd Charlottesville, VA	usadancecville.org usadancecharlottesville@gmail.com	Genl. public - \$13 USA Dance memb - \$10 Stud. w/ID - \$6
8/25	Katie Bigelow, of Resilient Westies, returns for one of her workshops.	The Dance Space 6004 West Broad St	804-673-3326 info@thedancespace.com	\$10 workshop only \$8 dance only
8/25	Riccardo & Sonia Coaching, 1pm. Rumba styling workshop	Simply Ballroom 3549 Courthouse Rd, Richmond, VA	(804)-276-3343 simplyballroomva.com	
8/30	DISCO Night @ The Dance Space. 8p-hustle lesson w/John. Dancing til 10:30p	The Dance Space 6004 West Broad St	804-673-3326 info@thedancespace.com	\$7 pp. Light refreshments DJ – EL DURO. Slower songs included.

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