Love is in the air and it's February, the month for all of the sweethearts to be given gifts of flowers, chocolates, and of course, dancing. So, if you want to impress her, make a date for February 9<sup>th</sup>, and bring her to our Tri-Cities chapter dance.

At our January dance Doug and Maggie McRae taught the first of two lessons in the Night Club Two Step. They taught the basic beginning step, an outside turn, an inside turn and a cross side by side step. They will be reviewing and adding new steps in the second lesson on February 9th. We enjoyed the music that was played by Randy Goodfellow. This was his first time as deejay for the chapter, and we think he did an excellent job. Emma Humrickhouse was the 50/50 raffle winner, and graciously donated her winnings to the funds to continue the dance program at St Joseph Catholic School in Petersburg.

Doug & Maggie ▼



The Spring dance session at St. Joseph's gets underway again on Wednesday, February 6<sup>th</sup> for five weeks. Gwendolyn Glenn and her assistant, Jeff Dewey, will again be the instructors. Chapter President Ruth Wilbourne assists and serves as the chapter liaison with the school officials. In order to work with the students, all three had to be fingerprinted for a background check, and take the Catholic VIRTUS® Program. They received their Certificate of Completion, and receive a monthly online training bulletin and take a short test in order to keep their certification. That shows their commitment to bringing ballroom dancing to the St Joseph School students.

Ruth Wilbourne and Bill Gandel journeyed to Wakefield, VA on December 21 and demonstrated ballroom dancing and a few line dances at the Wakefield Foundation. Leaders of the exercise class there will be incorporating dance into the class as a fun way to exercise.

Ruth & Bill ▼



Dennis Howard, June Bryant,(pictured below) Ruth Wilbourne and Bill Gandel entertained on December 28<sup>th</sup> at Circle Center Adult Services in Richmond. They danced to an enthusiastic crowd, and received much applause. We appreciate these dancers volunteering to bring joy to those who can no longer dance, but remember how much fun it is to dance.

Dennis & June ▼



## March 9<sup>th</sup> - 7th Annual dance at The Lee Club,Ft Lee, VA (Reservations only)

\$38 includes Heavy Hors D'oeuvres, Exhibition by Gabor Seres and Mariya Vysotskaya; and music by Ed Pabalate. The Lee Club has the most beautiful dance floor in Central Virginia. Plan on attending this fantastic The Rhythms of March event. Don't miss it! Reservations must be received by Wednesday, February 28, 2013. Reservation form is on the website: <a href="https://www.usadancetricitiesva.org">www.usadancetricitiesva.org</a>.

Please get your reservation in as soon as possible



Work as if you don't need the money and dance as if no one is watching. See you on the dance floor!!

**◄** Gabor & Mariya

Performers at March 9<sup>th</sup> Dance

Enhanced Menu Selections This Year.....details soon

Below is the list of upcoming lessons and DJ's for our future dances:

February Dance - Night Club 2-Step taught by Doug McRae and music by Doug McRae

April Dance – The Art of Lead and Follow taught by Gwendolyn Glenn and music by Edith Lanning

May Dance – The Art of Lead and Follow taught by Gwendolyn Glenn and music by Randy Goodfellow

June Dance – Viennese Waltz taught by Sandy Yeon and music by Doug McRae

July Dance – Viennese Waltz taught by Sandy Yeon and music by Edith Lanning