



Ballroom Beat

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We Promote Ballroom Dancing!

Prez sez..

Hello fellow dancers,

It is so hard for me to believe that it is August already. This summer has been filled with many wonderful adventures for us and several of them have been on dance floors. We have tried new venues in various locations across the state and have enjoyed each of them. However, we have yet to find one that compares with the strict tempo ballroom music and dance floors our chapter uses for our dances. The floor at the Jerry Long Family YMCA is second to none and the floor at the Commons on the Green in Lexington is also fabulous.

Speaking of the Commons on the Green our annual Black Tie dinner/dance “Starry, Starry Night” was a wonderful evening. (Roger and Cindy, left above, are shown with friends Chris and Donna Rhyne at the event.) I can’t think of a better way to spend a summer evening than dancing at this event. The atmosphere, the floor, the food, the decorations, the friends, and the music were great. Thanks to the dedicated committee members who spent much time and energy in planning and producing the event for those of us who love to dance. Photos from the evening will be on our website in a few days.

Our National Ballroom Dance Week activities start on September 11. If you know someone who would like to learn to dance, please share the attached flyer with them.

See you on the dance floor on August 2.

Cindy Caudle, August President



National Ballroom Dance Week

Each year we celebrate National Ballroom Dance Week by offering beginning ballroom dance lessons to new and prospective members. This year we will offer Cha Cha and Waltz evening lessons. Some of the top local instructors are being invited

to participate in the program. Waltz lessons are scheduled for September 11 and 13 while Cha Cha will be taught on September 18 and 20. The format this year will allow new members to get a better understanding of 2 dances. The series will culminate with a lesson and Beginners’ Ball on September 28.

The lessons are free to all new Piedmont NC USA Dance members.

Know someone – friends, relatives, neighbors, co-workers - who has been “wishing they could dance?” Give them a copy of the attached flyer and encourage them to give us a whirl!

August Ballroom Sunday

After the Ball

Sunday, August 27, 2017
Cha Cha with Adina Harper

4:00 – 4:30 PM Cha Cha 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

2017 at a Glance

August 27 – After the Ball – Cha Cha Lesson by Adina Harper at 4 PM, Dance until 6:30 at the Jerry Long Family YMCA
1150 S. Peacehaven Rd., Clemmons
Admission - \$5 Members; \$10 guests

Ballroom Sundays and Special Events:

September 24 – Beginners Ball

October 22 – Presidents' Halloween Dance

November 26 – Holiday Premier Promenade & Annual Business Session

December 29 – Friday Finale 6 – 8:30 PM

Thank You to, Roger and Cindy Caudle, Liz Gilkey, Corky and Danny Flowers, Dick and Helen Heck, Scott and Lynne Forrest, Charles and Lorene Markland, Randy and Sherryl Peters and the Barneys for the hospitality at our July monthly dance. Thank you to James Williams for the Rumba dream step lesson in July!

Thank You to our Fabulous Black Tie

Committee: Hubert and Marcia Barney, Roger and Cindy Caudle, Scott and Lynne Forrest, Bob and Wini Kniejski, Liz Gilkey for a wonderful job!

Truisms

- The way to develop the best in your partner(s) is with appreciation and encouragement.
- It takes courage to improve your dancing.
- One of the greatest things about dancing is that there is always more to learn.
- Enthusiasm for dance can be a partner's greatest asset.
- I just can't seem to kick the quickstep.
- Great dancing is like a fireworks display – full of split-second timing.

- Think less, feel more, dance better.
- To Tango or not to Tango – that is the question.
- Never try to step with the foot upon which you are standing.
- Never try to turn on the foot upon which you are not standing.
- Choose A foot, then turn on IT.
- The secret of dance: Move to the music, forget the world.
- The price of being a good dancer is dancing, dedication, dancing, learning, dancing.
- A dancer is only half the dance.
- Failures can create a foundation for progress.
- Taking lessons does not mean you don't know how to dance. It means you are intelligent enough to know there is still plenty to learn.
- Dance gives you the freedom to express yourself.
- If you spend your life just listening to the sound, you'll never fully enjoy the music.
- The greatest day in a partnership is the day when each takes responsibility for their actions.
- Each dance offers a surprise if we are willing to see, hear, and feel it.
- To walk happily through life we need music and dance.
- Dancing changes your ability to dance.
- Have patience with your partner – and yourself.

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

August 27, 2017

After the Ball

See you at the
Jerry Long Family YMCA
On the 27th – 4:00 PM

Dressy casual attire.

**Invite a friend to become a dancer via our
National Ballroom Dance Week lessons!**

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