



Carolina Heartbeat



Publication of Carolina Heartland, USA Dance, Inc., Chapter #6092

Send news and views to libsjohnson@triad.rr.com. Visit www.carolinaheartland.org.

Editorial Staff: Ed., Lib Johnson, Photography, Steve Raeford

Volume 7, Issue 9

September 2011

www.carolinaheartland.org

From the President.....

Greetings! Our Showcase is well planned and ready to go for September 25th at the Shrine Club, 5010 High Point Road. Now you need to get your tickets & tables together. Go



to www.carolinaheartland.org for your form, make check payable to USA Dance, Inc and mail to Charlie Hafer. (Address is on the form.)

Another event to look forward to this fall is the **Carolina Fall Classic Dance Competition** on October 7 - 9. It will be held at the Greensboro Marriott again this year. Dancers from all over the eastern U.S. will be coming to display their fancy steps in this national qualifying event. This year we will have a Carolina Heartland table so we can promote ballroom dancing and our chapter. We hope to interest a lot of people in dancing and add to our membership. Linda Jackson and Cynatha Carroll are the Volunteer Coordinators and would love to hear from you. Last year many Carolina Heartland dancers helped make the event a huge success and we hope that you will be able to give some of your time this year as well. Dancers in last year's competition raved about our "Southern hospitality" in Greensboro and we hope to make them feel as well cared for this year as well.

Great news! Mel Paterline will be the 2012 **Black Tie Chairman**. Please be ready to give him your assistance!

We're also getting ready for the **Board elections** at our dance on November 13. USA Dance requires that the new Board elect the officers from the nine newly elected Board members. Nominations are open now but will close on October 16. Terms of the new Board will be for two years. If you would like to serve on the Board, you should let one of the members of the Nominating and Election Committee know of your interest. Members of this committee are Lynda Williams, Chair, Steve Raeford, Trudy Atkins, Linda Perry, and Wes Smitherman. This is a great opportunity to be involved in the direction of our Chapter. We very much need your input.

Happy dancing!
Cherrie Wheaton
2011 Carolina Heartland President

Carolina Heartland Calendar

Saturday, Sept. 10, Mayberry Dance, : Armfield Civic Center, 873 W 52 By-Pass, Pilot Mountain, NC 27041. Carole Bryant: 336-341-6111 See below.

Sunday, Sept. 11, Board meeting at 3:00. Carolina Heartland Monthly Dance, Tango Lesson by Tony Econ at 5:00, Dancing - 5:45 to 7:30. Music by Linda Jackson, High Point Elks Lodge, 700 Old Mill Rd., High Point, NC 27265. Check website for directions.

Sunday, September 25, 2011, Carolina Heartland NBDW SHOWCASE, 4:00-7:00, Shrine Club, 5010 High Point Rd., Greensboro, NC

Outreach- See box below; **Rumba Workshop** -See box below.

Spotlight on Kathy Marino

Kathy Marino began dance lessons at seven years of age in Brooklyn but she did not get into ballroom dancing until years later when she spent an evening at New York City's Roseland.



While in NY, Kathy studied under such critically acclaimed teachers as Phil Black and Frank Hatchet. With a background from them, she was well qualified to launch her career as a professional dancer and teacher of dance. She opened her own studio in Queens, NY and later, two dance studios on Long Island. She also did choreography for several groups and organizations as well as for the Professional Children's School in New York City. Some of her students have been Radio City Rockettes and others own their own dance studios. Most recently a former student was accepted at the Joffrey Ballet School and School of American Ballet.

Moving to North Carolina with her husband and three children in 1996, she opened the Kathy Marino Dance Studio. When she became a widow in 2001, "With urging from my daughter, I attended a dance at South Fort Community Center. One lesson with Allen Berryhill and I was hooked."

She feels blessed to have found the magic of ballroom dancing AND Allen Berryhill. She has become active again in choreography, choreographing dance numbers for the musical South Pacific and is doing the same for the upcoming performance of Oliver for the West Side Civic Theatre in Lewisville.

Summing it up, Kathy says, "I have made some wonderful friends and will continue to dance, dance, dance." We hope she will.

Free Ballroom Dance Lessons for Beginners! Yea!! Experienced dancers welcome to bring non-dancing friends. See page 2, column 3 for more details.

NBDW Showcase/Dance

Reservations: This event showcases 20 dancers in 14 dances but also provides TWO FULL HOURS of general dancing. Master of Ceremonies will be Rockie Troxler; music, by Linda Jackson & Lib Johnson. Charlie Hafer reports that reservations for the showcase are picking up speed so we urge you to send in your reservation form right away with your check made out to USA DANCE. Please note that the deadline for reservations is Sept. 15. Admission fee at the door will be \$15.00. We have an exciting program that includes quite a few new performers, Scott and Jackie Tanseer being the last volunteers.

To volunteer food, contact Cynatha Carroll. 336-996-7172 or cynatha@embarqmail.com. To volunteer to usher, contact Pat Willis: 252-349-6744, or pwill06@coastalnet.com.

Proud to be an American! *Mayberry Ballroom Dance with a Country and Western Flair!* September 10. An exciting evening begins at 7:00 with a two-step lesson from Allen Berryhill. Come simply casual or in your Country Western attire! Flyer to follow. Music-Rodney & Carolyn Williams.

Carolina Heartland- Rumba Workshop by Susie Buck: A two hour workshop on Sept. 10, at Guilford Grange. We begin promptly at 2:00. Contact Steve Raeford to make your reservations: 336-275-2251 or raefordphoto@bellsouth.net. Members, \$20.00, Non-members, \$25.00, Students, \$10.00

Outreach Opportunities! On Tuesday, September 13, volunteers will dance for the Vatikim Society of Beth David Synagogue at 12:30 pm. The big treat is that we are invited for lunch at 11:45. Contact Trudy to sign up for this: 336-299-0419 or trudy@newhomeguides.com.

Dance Opportunities in the Triad

Friday, Sept. 2, First Friday at Guilford Grange, 4909 Guilford School Rd., dancing 8-10 p.m., music by Bob & Lib Johnson 336-299-7412 .

Sunday, Sept. 4, Tim Saunders First Sunday dance, Guilford Grange, 3:30-5:30. Tim -336-324-1924.

Friday, Sept. 9, Second Friday Dance High Point Elks Lodge, music by Carolyn & Rodney Williams, 336-945-3635.

Saturday, Sept. 10 and every 2nd Saturday, Greensboro Social Club, 8:00 p.m. Lewis Recreation Center, Britt Hammond, 919-942-3881.

Treasurer's August report: Current balance: \$5236.63
Aug income \$644, Aug expenses \$825.

Saturday, Sept. 17, and every 3rd Sat., Mountain Empire, 7:30 p.m., Rural Retreat Community Center, Contact Becky at 276-783-5402 or iballroomdance@embarqmail.com.

Saturday, Sept. 24, Horizon Dance Club, 8-10 p.m., Guilford Grange, Walk-ins welcome.

Sunday, Sept. 25, Piedmont, USA Dance - Jerry Long Family YMCA, 4 p.m. lesson, dancing 4:30-6:30, Clemmons.

Southfork, Winston: Allen Berryhill, teacher. Wed. night, 7:30-Beginner Ballroom; 8:30-Non-Beginner. Thursday: 7:30-Non-beginner: 8:30-Beginner. 336-659-4305.

Friday, Sept. 30, & and all 5th Fridays, StepSet, Guilford Grange, 7:30-10:00, \$5.00, 336-643-6088 or joe@theleggios.net.

You'll be a great Volunteer! Carolina Fall Classic! Contact Linda Jackson: ljackson7@tirad.rr.com; 336-674-6108; Cynatha Carroll: 336-996-7172 or cynatha@embarq-mail.com. The competition is October 7-9 at the Greensboro Marriott Downtown. For more information, check www.carolinafallclassic.com.

Thank You to people who brought food on August 14: John Dorosk, Linda Jackson, Jan Coats, Betty & Conrad McClintock, Wanda Wilson, Pat Willis, Dot Mason, Lynda Williams, Al Kamperman, and to **Ken & Jo Ann Lommel**, our hospitality hosts.

To Charlie Hafer, chief proofreader, a great treasurer, and "all purpose guy."

To Bob & Lib Johnson for the wonderful strict tempo music.

To Adina Harper for a great cha cha step.

To John Dorosk for serving as teller.

To all who brought guests.

To all who took part in the "dance partner contest" on Aug. 14 and the Showcase matching contest.

To President Cherrie Wheaton, a great Prez.

Free Ballroom Dance Lessons? Yea!!!! For Beginners!

But we're also counting on experienced dancers to bring their non-dancing friends!! Come to Guilford Grange each Sept. Monday at 8:00. **Sept. 5, Swing** taught by Wayne and Wanda Wilson; **Sept. 12, Waltz** by Tim Saunders; **Sept. 19, Cha Cha** by Garrey Stinson; and **Sept. 26, Rumba** by Adina Harper.

Make reservations with Lib, 336-299-7412 or libjohnson@triad.rr.com.

Walk-ins welcome. No partner needed. Light refreshments!

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Lynette Smitherman won the Showcase Matching Contest. She won a free admission to the Showcase on September 25.

Congratulations to Fran Randolph for winning the contest to see who could get the most partners to dance on Aug. 14. She had 17!

Contact Steve Raeford, if you would like to suggest a dance or instructor for our dances: raefordphoto@bell-south.net or 336-275-2251.

Volunteers! To be a teller at one of our dances, contact Charlie at 336-852-0515 or charleshafer@gmail.com. **To host a dance**, contact Ken & Jo Ann Lommel, kmlommel@hotmail.com or 336-855-7071.



Photos by Linda Jackson: Carole Bryant & Carlie Coats, Cherrie Wheaton & Larry Jackson, Carlie & Jan Coats, Lynda Williams & Al Kamperman, Wes Smitherman and Wanda Wilson, guests-David & Elna Laux, Bill Bryant & Pat Willis



Dance, Dance, Dance!