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A Message from our President



Friends, the weather just continues to get hotter so that's all the more reason to

join Carolina Heartland. Then at one of our upcoming dance events you can spend time with your dance friends in the comfort of the air conditioning.

We have another one of our quarterly workshops coming up this month on Saturday August 13. Robert Simpson will provide us with an intermediate level workshop in American rumba, so please join us for this event.

The next day, Sunday August 14 we will hold our regular monthly dance where we will have a lesson from Adina Harper in waltz followed by general dancing.

I also want to remind everyone that we have Carolina Heartland's 11th Annual Showcase and Dance to be held during National Ballroom Dance Week and in conjunction with the Greensboro 17Days Arts & Culture Festival. We look forward to seeing all of you for this great event. If you're interested in helping us with the event, if you would like to perform in the showcase, or would simply like to attend and enjoy the evening contact Lib Johnson at libsjohnson@triad.rr.com.

See you on the dance floor!

Terry L. Whittington

President, USA Dance Carolina Heartland Chapter

Upcoming Carolina Heartland Events

August 14. Monthly Dance. Guilford Grange, 4909 Guilford School Rd, Greensboro. 2:30 pm Waltz lesson with Adina Harper. General dancing to recorded ballroom music 3:15 until 5:00. **Admission fees:** \$5 for USA Dance members, \$10 for non-members, \$5 for students, free for first-time guests.

August 13. Intermediate/Silver American Rumba workshop at Guilford Grange 2-4 pm., \$20, taught by Robert Simpson. To hold the workshop, we must have at least 9 people registered by Thursday night August 11. To register, contact Melanie Whittington at infvivi@aol.com or 919-563-0350.

As usual, payment will be collected at the beginning of the workshop.

September 11. Monthly Dance with pre-dance lesson. Guilford Grange 2:30 pm.

September 18— National Ballroom Dance Week Showcase and Dance. Greensboro Shrine Club. See column at right for more details.

UPDATE:

11th Annual National Ballroom Dance Week Showcase and Dance - September 18, 2016!

by Lib Johnson

It is fantastic that volunteers are coming forth to perform in the 11th annual NBDW Showcase sponsored by Carolina Heartland.

New among the dancers this year will be our President Terry Whittington and his wife Melanie. Returning from last year's showcase are Jan & Carlie Coats, Carole & Dan Barber, Billy Dillon and Allison Bailey, Rockie & Mary Lou Troxler, and Victoria & Mel Paterline. And returning from 2011 are Ken & Jo Ann Lommel.

Dances that have been promised are Int'l (International) Tango, Int'l waltz, Am (American) Foxtrot, west coast swing, and lindy hop. What a great beginning! But--we do need other performers. SO! Why don't you dance? Or you can urge others to show their talent.

We also have quite a few other important volunteers serving as ushers, greeters, MCs, music providers, sound technicians, decoration designers, and more. **The chief person that we still need is someone to coordinate food planning. Please contact libsjohnson@triad.rr.com if you are willing to handle that task.**

Please remember that this is a Showcase/Dance designed to give all levels of dancers an opportunity to showcase their talents. The chief thing that has made all our showcases outstanding is that the volunteers always take a lot of time and effort to make their performances excellent. That guarantees an excellent show. And two hours of general dancing delights everyone. Make plans now to see another out-standing Carolina Heartland Showcase.

Treasury Balance for July 31: \$3002.88

Below, 2015 Showcase photos taken by Terry Romine

Left to Right: Jan & Carlie Coats, Allison Bailey & Billy Dillon, Victoria & Mel Paterline



Dance Opportunities

Friday, August 5 – 1st Friday Dance, Guilford Grange, 4909 Guilford School Rd., Greensboro . 8-10.pm. Great dance floor, music by Joe Leggio. Details 336-299-7412.

Saturday, August 6—1st Saturday Dance. Southfork Recreation Center, Winston-Salem. 8-10 pm. 336-659-4305.

Sunday, August 7—Tim Saunders 1st Sunday Tea Dance. Guilford Grange, 3:30-5:30 pm. 336-324-1924.

Friday, August 12 - 2nd Friday Dinner Dance. High Point Elks, 700 Old Mill Rd., 7-10 pm. Music by Rodney & Carolyn Williams, Reservations: Carolyn 336-945-3635, cvkw@twc.com.

Saturday, August 13– Greensboro Social Dance Club. Lewis Recreation Center, 8:00 pm. Eileen Leggio 336-643-6088.

Friday, August 19– Step Set Dance Club, River Landing Wellness Center, 7:30-9:30 pm. Charlie Hafer 336-554-5279.

Saturday, August 20– Piedmont USA Dance, Black Tie Dinner/Dance, Lexington, NC, 6:30-11. Info: Marcia 336-712-8183.

Sunday, August 28– Oldies Ballroom Benefit Dance, Guilford Grange, 7:30-9:30 pm. Charlie Hafer 336-554-5279.

Classes – Southfork Rec. Center, Winston-Salem, with Allen Berryhill. Wed: Beginner Ballroom 7:30 pm, Non-beginner 8:30; Thur: Non-beginner 7:30, Beginner 8:30. 336-659-4305.

July Heartland Report

We had another good turn-out, on a warm July 10th, for our monthly dance. Those that came at 2:30 were treated to an excellent cha cha lesson, taught by Tim Saunders.

Thanks to Terry and Melanie Whittington, and Charlie Hafer, who set up for the dance, and to Melanie who brought fragrant table decorations of fresh flowers.

And thanks to Terry for playing the dance music and displaying the playlist on a new large screen in the seating area.

Thanks also to those who brought refreshments: Lynette Smitherman, Mary Beth Jordan, Ken Lommel, Mary Lou Troxler, Lib Johnson, Charlie Hafer, and others. And thanks to our guest, Patty Littlefield.

Our next event will be the rumba workshop, taught by Robert Simpson, on Saturday August 13. That will be followed by our monthly dance on August 14, with a pre-dance waltz lesson taught by Adina Harper. Mark both of these on your calendar.

Below: Photos of July Monthly Dance, taken by the editor

Right—Christine & Ken Chiou



Below left—Vi Thai & Patty Littlefield

Below—Mary Lou & Rockie Troxler (foreground) , Al Kamperman & Lynda Williams (background)

