



# Ballroom Beat

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*We Promote Ballroom Dancing*

## Your Pres Says

*Fellow Dancers,*

*One of the major goals of our chapter this year is starting to be realized in March. Our beginning ballroom dance series will start on March 18. This will be the first of a series of 6-week sessions during which a local professional instructor will teach one dance. For this first session we have chosen Swing.*



*This first series is being offered in Winston-Salem. Ellis Pardue has arranged for a local health club, Gold's Gym, to donate the space for the classes. If you know someone who might be interested in attending the session, refer them to our website for a reservation form or call Ellis (760-3404) or me.*

*The second of the 6-week sessions will be Waltz and will begin on April 29.*

*A similar series of 6-week sessions is planned for Greensboro for later in the year.*

*The more you dance the more fun you have and the better you become! Let's dance on March 9 & 23 – and every other chance we get!*

*Marcia Barney*

### President's Salute for February

To **Robert and Karen Fogleman** (right) for:

- Ø Using their talent to promote ballroom dancing by donating a beautiful banner to USABDA.
- Ø For going beyond the reasonable and donating a second fabulous banner to promote our Charity Ball.



## Victor Fun and Liene Apale To Appear at Our **Dance For Life** Charity Ball

"Dance For Life" Committee Chair Rockie Troxler has announced that the current US Amateur Standard Champions, Victor Fung and Liene Apale, have agreed to perform at our May 10 Charity Ball.

The Charity Ball will be a formal event featuring an evening of dance, show, and delectable hor d'oeuvres. The show should appeal to both dancers and non-dancers, so invite friends who have not yet discovered the delights of dancing to come and enjoy an evening out for a good cause. All profits from the event will be donated to the American Cancer Society.

A reservation form is inside. Get a table of friends together or come as a single or couple.

### March Tea Dances

March 9 – The Grange, Greensboro  
Fox Trot Lesson by Jim Brady @ 4:30 PM  
Dance 5-7 PM, Lib Johnson's Music  
Host: Franzi Brown

March 23 – Skateland, Clemmons  
Hustle, Part 2, with Nedko Petrov & Mariyana Vasileva of Fred Astaire-Winston-Salem  
Lesson 5:30, Dance 6 –8 to Hubert's Harmonies  
Host: Michelle Darnely

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**Directions to the Grange** from Interstate 40: Take Exit 213 (Guilford College Rd). Go N app. 1 mile, cross Market St. Turn left onto Lindley Rd., Turn rt. onto Guilford School Rd. Grange is on the right.  
**Directions to Skateland:** From I-40 on the west side of Winston-Salem take the Clemmons exit. Go south into downtown Clemmons. Turn right onto Cephis Dr. at the "Bronze Plaza" sign beside Dockside Seafood Restaurant. Turn left onto Neudorf Rd. Skateland is just ahead on the right.

*Welcome New Members*

**Hewon and Donna Han**, sponsored by Max and Polly Toney, joined us on February 23.

**Jeanne Scott** (right with *Joe Dolata*), a long-time friend and visitor has become one of us.



**John Dorosk**, (left with *Yvette Zannini*) another special long-term friend also joined us on February 23.



*Welcome Guests*

*Please come again!*

**Bill Caspary**, a member in Chapel Hill, was with us again on February 9.

We were delighted to have former visitors

**Virginia Vaughn and Charlene Compton**

(shown at right taking a break) came back for a visit on February 9 after too long an absence. We hope to see you again in March!



**Hugh and Sheila Walker** (left), two of our Instructors, attended on February 9 just to dance with us!

**Marti Worthen** a former member was with us again on February 9. **John Zhang, Earnest Galloway, and Shawn Hufford** were first time guests on February 9. We hope you'll be back in March!

It was great to have **Henry James, Monroe Dalton, Tom and Grace Moran, Bill and Sheila Reeves** dance with us on February 23!

**Rae** (rt. with *Ellis Pardue*) and **Bill Askew** attended as guests of Bob and Lib Johnson on February 9. **Jack Mitchell** visited for the first- but hopefully not the last - time in a while on Feb. 23.



Former members **John and Linda Brown** came on February 23 by special invitation from Al and Ivete Narizzano. **Karen and David Binns-Loveman** were first-time guests on February 23. We hope you'll come back in March!



**Marie Steele** (left with *Max Toney*), a friend and former Winston-Salem resident living in Virginia was with us on February 23.

**2003 Calendar**

- Tea Dance and lesson - Every second Sunday 4:30 –7:00 PM at the Grange in Greensboro
- Tea Dance and Lesson – Every fourth (except November) Sunday 5:30 – 8:00 PM, Skateland, Clemmons
- May 10 – *Dance for Life* Charity Ball – Benton Convention Center
- August 23 – Showcase of Dancers, South Fork Community Center, Winston-Salem
- September 27 – Black Tie Dinner/Dance, Benton Convention Center, WS
- September 28 – Beginners/Newcomers Ball
- November 30 – Holiday Premier Promenade
- December 14 – Christmas Party
- December 28 – Early New Year's Party and Officer Installation, Skateland

**Dance Truisms**

- Ø Dancing is more fun when you are doing it than when you are learning it. Do both.
- Ø It is illegal to shoot pedestrians on the dance floor who are following the line of dance.
- Ø I'd give an arm and a leg to be able to dance like that.
- Ø In case of doubt make it look convincing.
- Ø Leading requires 100% concentration. Following requires 110% concentration.
- Ø Dancing backward requires hindsight.

## We're Promoting!

The purpose of our organization is to promote ballroom dancing in Piedmont NC. We've made another nice stride forward in that effort! Members have sponsored 11 magazine subscriptions to libraries so far:

- ◆ Ellis and Marilee Pardue gave the Winston-Salem main branch a subscription for 2 years!
- ◆ Max and Polly Toney gave the Lewisville Library a subscription.
- ◆ The Barneys gave one to the Clemmons Library.
- ◆ Edith Laws gave to the Reynolda Branch in Winston Salem.
- ◆ Michelle Darnley favored the Kernersville Library.
- ◆ Franzi Brown gave to the Greensboro Library on Dolly Madison Road.
- ◆ Linda McMichael (rt. with Tom Moran) gave to the Jamestown Library.
- ◆ Margaret Norton saw that the High Point Library had one.
- ◆ Chattie Byrd looked after the May Memorial Library in Burlington.
- ◆ Al Mora, a constant promoter of our art, gave one to the Mebane Library.
- ◆ Yvette and Joe Zannini contributed one to the Graham Public Library.



## Hustle Seminar

On Monday, March 31 Biltmore DanceSport is offering a Hustle Seminar. This seminar should "put some finishing touches" on our Hustle skills learned in the fourth Sunday February and March pre-dance Hustle lessons. Details:

Monday, March 31  
7 - 9 PM

*Biltmore DanceSport*

College Village Shopping Center  
1183 -B East Lexington Avenue  
High Point, NC 27262  
336-841-3939

Instructor: Robert Simpson  
Cost: \$25/per person  
Or \$15/USABDA member

## The Hustle

Hustle is an upbeat, lively dance. The Hustle was introduced in the early 1970's. This introduction helped renew interest in



ballroom dancing. It was danced to disco music and was musically acceptable to young people. "The Hustle" by Van McCoy made the national charts for 18 weeks. Newspapers declared "Touch dancing" is back. (*Bill and Cinda Wall may be waltzing above, but we hope they'll be doing the Hustle on March 23 and 31.*)

American style Hustle is danced in 4/4 time at 29.5 to 30.5 measures per minute. There are several other versions of the hustle including Latin, Lindy, Tango, and three-count as well as street hustle. Many believe Hustle is entering a new phase of popularity that will hopefully again provide a dance commonality among the generations.

*I can handle pain unless it hurts.*

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*Special Invitations:*

**Hustle Lesson:** On March 31 at Biltmore DanceSport –see article.

**Wytheville USABDA's** March 15 dance will at the Wytheville Community Center. Wayne and Marie Crowder will teach Waltz lesson from 7:30 – 8:30. Dancing until 11. Info: 783-5402 or 783-5349.

**Spring Fling with Wytheville USABDA** - April 19 at Wytheville Community Ctr. Black Tie optional. Music by Fred Yancey. Info: numbers above.

**“Get Involved” Opportunities Available**

- ◆ Black Tie Chair Max Toney is ready to start the serious planning for our major September 27 Dinner/Dance. Call Max at 945-4260 if you'd like to help.
- ◆ Hosts for our Tea Dances are needed. If you'd like to host at the Grange call Lynette Smitherman at 454-3378. For Skateland call Marcia at 712-8183.
- ◆ Members to sponsor the remaining 4 (3 in Greensboro and one in Archdale) magazine subscriptions for local libraries.

**Demonstrations**

We've been demonstrating again. Ellie and Joe Dolata arranged for us to appear at Hanes Mall in Winston-Salem on February 22. The team consisted of Ellis and Marilee Pardue, Homer and Dot Mason, Joe and Ellie, Carol and Bill Bryant (*left*), Al and Ivete Narizzano, Hubert and Marcia Barney. Edith Laws and one of our new members Jeanne Scott also helped. Lisa Kiger, Carolyn and Rodney Williams, and Shirley Fletcher stopped by for a short time.

We'll be having more of these 1 hour mall demonstrations in High Point and Greensboro later in the year. If you know of other locations that might be interested in a demonstration, call Ellie at 540-0370.



Check our wonderful web site: [www.ballroom-dancing.org](http://www.ballroom-dancing.org) for regular dance opportunities.

*Pray for the great inspiration, but keep on practicing.*

**Footnotes:**

Wayne Crowder has taken the ISTD Professional Associate Exam. The 2-hour exam consists of sections on both execution and theory of dance. Wayne is now a member of the Imperial Society of Teachers of Dance. Congratulations, Wayne!

**It's In the Terminology**

We think we're following the music just fine and rather enjoying ourselves, and then someone starts to speak the jargon of dancing. Don't let the



terminology turn your attention from the tempo! Here are a few terms that might help clear the fog. *Smooth* dances are the American style Fox Trot, Waltz, Tango, and Viennese Waltz. *Standard* dances are the International style Fox Trot, Waltz, Tango, Viennese Waltz, and Quick Step. (*Are Mary Beth and Bob Jordan doing a Smooth or a Standard Waltz above?*) *Rhythm* dances are the American style Rumba, Cha Cha, Swing, Mambo, and Bolero. *Latin* dances are the International style Rumba, Cha Cha, Samba, Paso Doble, and Jive.

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*Notes of Appreciation:*

- Ø To Robert and Karen Fogleman for hosting our February 9 Tea Dance and for the beautiful banners.
- Ø To our two DJs, Lib Johnson on February 9 and Hubert Barney on February 23 for helping our feet move and our faces smile.
- Ø To February 9 Receptionist Marilee Pardue (*below with Alonzo*).
- Ø To Chattie Byrd for her continued outstanding performance as Program Chair.
- Ø To Alonzo Boschulte (*rt. with Marilee Pardue*) for the outstanding Tango follow-up on Feb. 9.
- Ø To Nedko Petrov and Mariyana Vasileva for the enjoyable introductory Hustle lesson on February 23. Be sure to attend on March 23 for the follow-up.
- Ø To Henry James and Homer Mason for lending a hand on February 23.
- Ø To Marcia Barney for voice, proofreading and help with the music.
- Ø To Dot and Homer Mason for taking such good care of our Video Library.
- Ø To Ellie and Joe Dolata for coordinating our demonstration team. We may rename them "Dolata's Delightful Demonstrators."
- Ø To Max Toney, Cinda Wall, Yvette Zannini, Jim & Ann Astin, Joe and Ellie



Dolata, Trudy Atkins, the Foglemans, Mary Beth Jordan, Bob & Lib Johnson, Ellis & Marilee Pardue, Fran Randolph, Franzi Brown, Michelle Darnley, Chattie Byrd, John and Linda Brown, Margaret Norton, the Smithermans, and the Barneys for the tasty Tea Dance treats.

- Ø To our superb Web Master John Clark whose talents continue to delight.
- Ø To those who helped promote ballroom dancing in Piedmont NC by contributing a magazine subscription to their library.
- Ø To all who were interested and enthusiastic enough to complete and submit the questionnaire. Your Board won't be bored!

## Hear Ye, Hear Ye!

**Beginner Swing lessons** sponsored by USABDA will begin on March 18. Invite someone to attend who has always wanted to "dance like you." Reservation forms on [www: ballroom-dancing.org](http://www.ballroom-dancing.org), call Ellis at 760-3404, or Marcia at 712-8183.

**New Videos** coming on March 23: Arm Styling and International Quickstep Technique. Both are more of Dance Vision's outstanding videos.

Remember to get your reservations in right away for the May 10 **Charity Ball**.

Newsletter articles from members are encouraged. Send them to your editor. Truisms would be appreciated, too.

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