



# Ballroom Beat

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We Promote Ballroom Dancing!

## Your Pres Says

Fellow Dancers,

*Some of the questions I ask myself before starting to talk to a new person about USA-Dance include: What is the mission of USA-Dance? Why do we members of Chapter 6019 ask others to come and enjoy what we are doing? Why am I a member of the Chapter?*



*The Mission of USA-Dance is to promote ballroom dancing in the USA. It is to show and tell more people how much fun they can have doing the many different ballroom dances.*

*The Mission of Chapter 6019 is to find and bring into the chapter new members from the Winston-Salem and surrounding area so more people can see and enjoy the relationships and fun of dancing.*

*We have many programs to help us and others become better dancers. We have quarterly workshops, continuing specialty classes, and lessons at monthly Tea Dances. We offer special classes for new dancers who join our chapter.*

*So, invite someone to come to a USA-Dance activity and learn about the joy of dancing!*

*Shall we dance?*

Charles Goode

## Shall We Dance

The committee chose it and the Board approved it: The theme of our 2005 Annual Black Tie Dinner and Dance will be "Shall We Dance".

The evening will begin at 6:30 with a Latin Cocktail Dance and Reception. Until 7 PM we'll dance to Latin music and greet old and new friends. Dinner will be from 7 until the band begins to play at 8.

Then dance we shall to the 12-piece Big Band sounds of Leon Jordan and the Continentals! Music Chair Hubert Barney announced that the band would play from 8 PM until midnight. We'll have the very best of recorded music for the Latin Cocktail Dance and during dinner.

Decorations committee co-chairs Marsha Ware and Timothy Moore invite members to participate in the decorating of their table. If you are interested in being responsible for a table, send a note to [PiedmontNCUSABDA@aol.com](mailto:PiedmontNCUSABDA@aol.com) or Piedmont NC USABDA, PO Box 24022, Winston-Salem, NC 27114-4022.

Reservation forms are on [www.ballroom-dancing.org](http://www.ballroom-dancing.org). Make yours early or get a group of 8 together and make it your table reservation.

### May Tea Dance

May 22

Remember: It's the FOURTH Sunday  
Skateland, Clemmons

### Tango Lesson

By Wayne and Marie Crowder 5:30 – 6:00 PM

General Dancing – 6:00 – 8:00 PM -THE floor

Music by Hubert and Marcia Barney

Hosts: BJ and Roy Foster

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**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

**Michael Kolischak,** (right with *Betty Lasley*), a friend of Emmy Bagwell and several other members of the Winston-Salem



Dance Club and the Dance Forum, joined us on April 24.

**Paul Riedl** (left with *Linda McMichael*) visited on April 24 and decided to join us.

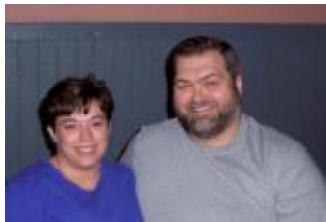


## Welcome Guests

Please come again!

**Tim Fraley,** (rt. with *Hope*) visited us again on April 24!

Welcome back to **Hope Tedder** (rt. with *Tim*), it was good to see you again!



**Betty Lasley** visited us for the first time in April. **Linda McMichael,** (above with *Paul*), a friend who attends many of our workshops, visited again on April 24.

**Charlotte del Valle** (above left with *Jesse Anderson*) visited us for the first time in April. **Becky Wheeler** (right with *John Cavello*) was



also a first time visitor on April 24.

**Laura and Cumbo Phillip** (l) visited for the first time on April 24.



**Alan Caudle,** (right with *Lucy Chambers*) a friend of the Goodes and a member of Queen City USA-Dance visited us again on April 24.



## 2005 at a Glance

Tea Dance and Lesson – Every fourth Sunday – Except December which will be on the third Sunday - 5:30 – 8:00 PM Skateland, Clemmons  
 May 15 – Bolero Workshop, Skateland, Clemmons, 5:30 – 7:30 PM  
 May 22 – Tea Dance, Skateland  
 September 25 – Beginners Ball, Skateland  
 October 8 – Black Tie Dinner/Dance, Benton Convention Center, Winston-Salem  
 October 22 – Showcase of Dancers, Southfork Community Center  
 November 27 – Holiday Premier Promenade, Skateland, Clemmons 5:30 – 8 PM  
 December 18 – Christmas Dance, Skateland

## Truisms

*-Practice wears away hesitation and polishes confidence.*  
*-Why didn't we learn to dance when we were 20 and knew everything.*  
*-Most of us would rather be ruined by praise than saved by criticism.*  
*-Intrigue is what gets you started dancing.*  
*Happiness is what keeps you dancing.*

## Dance Demonstration Opportunity

On Tuesday, June 21 from 5 – 6 PM Piedmont NC USA-Dance members will demonstrate ballroom dancing at a Benefit for Red Cross. Couples interested in participating should call Marilee Pardue at 760-3404.

## Subscriptions to *Amateur Dancer*

Does your library receive the *Amateur Dancer*? The Pardues have given a subscription to the 5<sup>th</sup> Street Library and the Barneys have given one to Clemmons Library. If you would like to provide one for your library contact your editor for details. Cost is \$9/yr or \$16 for 2 years.

## Introductory Dance Lessons

Our second Introductory Dance Class is scheduled for Mondays starting May 23 from 8 until 9:30 PM. The lessons will last through June 27. The 6 sessions will be held at Marino School of Dance in Clemmons. The class will cover Waltz, Fox Trot, Cha Cha, Swing, and Rumba. Participants in this class must be beginning dancers and must be members of Piedmont NC USA-Dance. There is no charge for the class. The number of participants will be limited to 20.

If you know someone who thinks they might be interested in dancing, but need a gentle way to get into it, tell them about the class. Membership applications can be obtained from [www.ballroom-dancing.org](http://www.ballroom-dancing.org) or by calling 712-8183.

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*Piedmont NC USA-Dance members and friends from other chapters at an advanced Quick Step Workshop in April.*

## Learning a Line Dance

Our new program of line dancing on the left side of the floor at Skateland while partner dancing on the right is going great. We did the Ski Bumpus, the TooToo, and the Charleston at our April Dance.

Participation was by both male and female dancers. Al and Ivete

Narizzano (*right*) were among the couples who chose



to do one of the Charleston Line Dances.

Here are some tips for making learning easier – or at least less frustrating: Get in the middle. Yes, surround yourself with people who know the dance and you'll have someone to follow each way you turn. For Ski Bumpus, TooToo, and the Mambo Line dances you need a knowledgeable person in front of and behind you. For the Charleston, the Tush Push, and the Boot Scootin' Boogie you need someone North, South, East, and West.

The second tip: If you just don't get it during the dance, be nice to Rita Crews or Nancy Baldwin and they'll probably give you a short private session that'll get you up to speed.

And for those of us who know the line dances: Please don't cluster in a group. Go to the perimeter of the dance group so those interested in learning will have someone to follow.

## Learn the Bolero

On May 15 Wayne and Marie Crowder will instruct a 2-hour Bolero Workshop. The 5:30 – 7:30 PM workshop will cover the Bronze Bolero Syllabus. This workshop will be held at Skateland so that we have plenty of space to perform the beautiful figures of the Bolero, including a routine that is a standard part of the outstanding Crowder Workshops.

Cost of the workshop is \$25 per person; however Piedmont NC USA-Dance members will receive a \$10 discount. To register for this workshop, send a check for the registration fee and a note giving your name, address, and e-mail address to: Piedmont NC USA-Dance, PO Box 24022, Winston-Salem, NC 27114-4022. Registration forms are on [www.ballroom-dancing.org](http://www.ballroom-dancing.org), also.

## Special Invitations and Happenings:

### Winston Salem Dance Forum Spring Formal –

Saturday, May 21, 8 – 11 PM, South Fork Community Center, Winston-Salem, Semi-formal attire, \$5 each, Information 940-4360 or 712-8183

**Mtn. Empire USA-Dance** – Saturday, May 21, Wythville Community Center, VA. Lesson at 7:30, Dance from 8:30 – 11 PM. Info: (276) 783-5402.

**On UNC-TV:** At 10 PM on Thursdays May 12 and May 19 DanceSport ballroom dancing.

Check our fabulous web site: [www.ballroom-dancing.org](http://www.ballroom-dancing.org) for regular dance opportunities, registration forms, and other valuable information.

## Learning From Videos

Our Chapter has an outstanding and growing Video Library. We have videos covering all levels and styles of ballroom dances from beginning swing to gold smooth dances.

While using videos will not take the place of a good instructor, they can supplement the instruction and provide a handy reference when your instructor is not around. You can have the video instructor do the step over and over as many times as necessary at any time of the day or night.

I like to preview videos while exercising on a skier or an Ellipse (stationary bike or treadmill would also work) before attempting the movements or steps in the video. (*Did Felix Kubiak and Sheila Reeves pick*



*up this figure from a video?)*

Piedmont NC USA-Dance members may check out videos at our Tea Dances. The

videos are free unless returned late (late charge is \$5/week beginning at the end of the first month).

## Notes of Appreciation:

- Ø To our terrific Webmaster John Clark for his continued interest and assistance.
- Ø To Wayne and Marie Crowder for continuously sharing their seemingly endless expertise with us.
- Ø To Tony Econ for a marvelous Mambo lesson on April 24.
- Ø To Donna Han for the TV Tip.
- Ø To the incomparable Hubert Barney for lights, camera, proofing...you know the rest.
- Ø To Linda and Tom Siaton for hosting our April Tea Dance.
- Ø To BJ and Roy Foster, John Dorosk, Al & Ivete Narizzano, Don & Linda Rankin, Tom & Linda Siaton and the Barneys for the treats at our April Tea Dance.
- Ø To Timothy Moore and John Cavello for sharing some of their favorite dance numbers with the music committee.
- Ø To all who bring music in their heart, a smile on their face, and a love of dance to our dances and leave with the same plus tired feet!

## Hear Ye, Hear Ye!

New Video available on May 22: Tips and Techniques for the Ladies Vol. I. (Note: This video could be exceptionally valuable to gentlemen, too. Very little of the information is exclusively for the ladies.)

Remember:

--To make reservations for the Bolero Workshop on May 15 at Skateland.

--Our Tea Dance is the **Fourth** Sunday in May

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