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President's Report

by Charlotte Pierce

This has been the snowiest winter that I can remember. When Fairfax County Public Schools cancel weekend activities, our dances are also cancelled. So far we have had to cancel a dance in January and in February. Thank you to Diane and Kerie for updating the hotline and website respectively to let everyone know about the changes. Thank you, Marty, for sending out emails about the cancelled dances in January and February, we really appreciate your efforts. If you want to receive emergency broadcast emails, please make sure that Marty has your email address. He will only send out a broadcast email for emergencies. Please continue to check the website or the hotline before you leave home for a dance, just in case.

The dance on January 16 was a lot of fun. We had 105 dancers, including a group of Au Pairs who seemed to really enjoy the dancing. The dance floor was covered with dancers all night long. Thank you to everyone who took time to help new dancers learn some of the dances.

I would like to thank all of the board members for their continued help in making sure that we have excellent dances. First of all, Susan books our dance location for our regular dances. Bo makes sure that there are announcements in local papers and that we have DJs and dance instructors. Joyce keeps excellent notes at the board meetings, which helps me remember the details. Donna makes sure that all of our bills are paid and that we have receipts for documentation. She also sends us reports after each dance. Marty makes sure that each of us knows when our memberships are about to expire and

sends in birthdays to the newsletter. Eric proofreads the newsletter items that are sent to him, sends the items to Lydia, who then prints the newsletter, after which Eric picks them up, addresses and mails them out. Linda does an excellent job of making sure that we have snacks and cold drinks at the dances. Dan has already reserved the Community Center at Fort Myer for New Year's Eve 2010. Without a board there would be no dances. Please consider joining the board this year.

Many thanks go out to you, the people who come to the NVCWDA dances. You make all of the work of the board worthwhile. Please continue to come to the dances to dance and have fun.

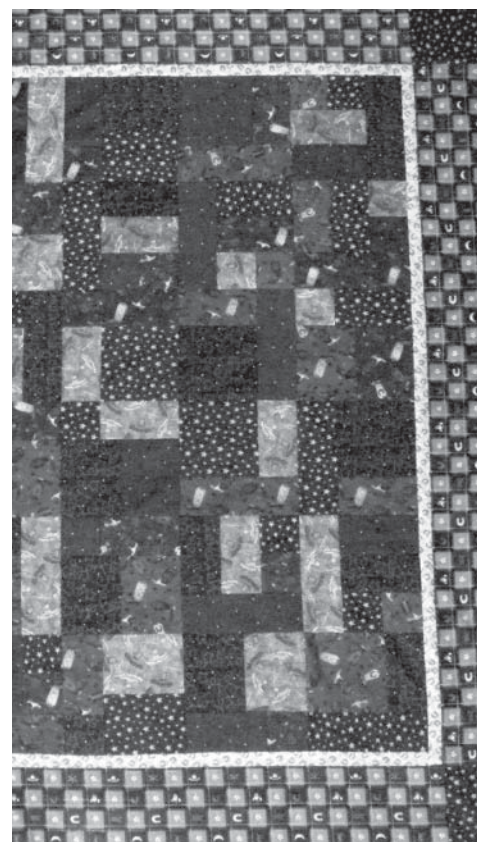
—Charlie

Planning Director's Report

by Susan Scott

Dances have been scheduled at Luther Jackson Middle School through June 19, 2010. However, due to inadequate air conditioning there during hot weather, we are exploring alternate locations to hold our dances during the summer months. I recently visited Accotink Unitarian Universalist Church, located at the intersection of the Fairfax County Parkway (7100) and Burke Lake Road. The church has a large wooden floor which would provide excellent space for our dances. Our Board of will review the application at our next meeting on February 23, 2010. I will submit it to the church if the Board is in agreement. We are looking to book dances at an alternate site at least through the hot days in September.

If anyone has any suggestions for dance locations, please call the Hotline Mistress (Diane Foster) at 703-823-5673 or 703-860-4941, or speak to a Board member.



A sneak preview of this year's Benefit Dance quilt in progress by Ann Marlin. Contains country-themed fabrics to include hats and boots. Tickets will go on sale in March.

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Communications Report

by Eric Vondra

Well, there goes my exercise plan for the winter of 2010. I was hoping for a lot of dancing but the weather has really put a damper on things lately. We haven't danced in so long I've forgotten which one is my right foot. With any luck, that'll be the last of the snow we'll see for this winter. For a while there it was even hard to get out for a walk, with most of the sidewalks and paths either piled with snow or slick from packed snow and ice. Maybe by the time you read this the ice pack will have melted, and we can actually look forward to spring.

Olga and I are in the process of looking for a house, and actually have been for a while now. Maybe it was the endless shoveling to dig our cars out, or just being tired of apartment living in general, but we really feel the need to be done with our search and settle in somewhere. One thing we're looking for in our home is a room with a hard floor where we can practice dancing, even if we have to put the floor in ourselves. It's a bit comical to see us trying to practice in our little living room, moving the table out into the hallway and taking tiny steps where necessary not to stub a toe on the furniture. I think our progress will

really pick up once we have a better practice place. Of course, the best thing would be to go out a couple times a week to dance at a club or other venue. When I come home from work, though, I'm just interested in eating, vegetating for an hour or two if I don't have some work pending, and going to sleep. That's why I'm glad the NVCWDA dances are on Saturday nights.

When the weather warms up, camping and astronomy compete with dancing for my choice of leisure activity. When the city starts to close in, it's nice to get out in the country with the peepers, the crickets, the owls, and of course the stars. What I like most is the peace and quiet. It doesn't take long before I'm ready to go back to civilization, such as it is, and the things that it has to offer, but without that break, it's hard to keep a sense of balance.

I'm curious how many members have good ideas about what the Association can or should be doing, but keep it to themselves. Please provide constructive feedback and suggestions to the board whenever you can. We're just a small percentage of the membership and we try to do what we think will keep everyone dancing and having fun. That means we always need your help, not just in volunteering, but also for ideas. Don't forget you can submit material for this newsletter, too!

Board Meeting Summary

By Joyce Leamon

The NVCWDA Board met on January 5, 2010. The New Year's Eve Dance was discussed at length as to what worked and what needed improvement. It was agreed that it was a success, especially considering the weather leading up to the event made it difficult to estimate turnout in advance. The Board agreed that Fisher House would again be the charity to receive a donation of proceeds from the Benefit Dance to be held May 1, 2010 and that ticket prices would be \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. Members will be asked to bring a dish. The Steppers and one or two couples will be asked to



perform at that dance. NVCWDA dances have been booked at Luther Jackson Middle School until mid-June. The Board continues to search for other convenient locations, especially for the hottest summer months. The next Board was scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 23, 2010.

Newsletter Deadline

**10th of April for articles,
reports, ads and news items**

E-mail to:

communications@nvcwda.org

Send Microsoft Word or Text Files.
Ads may also be sent as press-ready pdf files (if able, make them high resolution with fonts embedded)

Send photos separately as tif, eps, jpeg, or bitmap files (high resolution)

Membership Update

by Marty Johnson

The current membership count stands at 166. After sending out several reminders regarding expired memberships, there were still a number of people who did not renew. We usually allow a two-month grace period after the membership has expired, but we had several members who were well beyond that point. If you are one of those people, please consider renewing your membership today, and I will gladly add you back to the active list!

As most of you know, there was a time when the membership was around 1500, but it has dwindled down for many reasons over the past several years. At the beginning of 2009, the Board talked about trying to have a membership drive, but we could not even find people to commit to forming a committee. The idea never got any further than that. What we did do, however, was focus more on increasing attendance at the dances rather than increasing membership. That turned out to be quite effective, and it seems like we sometimes have as many new faces as we do old ones. Whether it is done through increasing membership or through increasing attendance, the purpose of NVCWDA is to promote country-western dance. If you have any ideas on how to better fulfill that purpose in an easy, cost-effective manner, please let one of the Board members know. And if you can commit some time as well, so much the better! Even the simplest of ideas need volunteers to make them happen.

On another note, if you did not receive an email broadcast alert regarding the cancellations of the last two dances, then you need to send me your correct email address. My email address is membership@nvcwda.org. Several emails bounced back as undeliverable. Please remember that the only time we use the email broadcast system and your email address is for last minute critical changes or cancellations related to the dances, and all of these changes and cancellations are also posted on our website at www.nvcwda.org and announced on the Hotline at 703-860-4941. You should always check the website or the Hotline before coming to the dances to make sure there have been no changes.

Speaking of dances, I hope to see you at the next one!

Special Events

by Dan Pierce



As I look out of my window it looks like it's still the dead of winter. But the calendar tells me that spring is less than a month away, and if you are like me it can't get here soon enough. After all of the snow storms in the past month the February 20 dance seemed like I was seeing old friends that I haven't seen in a while and I guess that is what the Association is all about: the chance to dance, make friends, socialize and to enjoy each other's company.

March brings us our St. Patrick's Day dance, on March 20. That is the one day of the year when everyone is Irish, if only for a day. So, the wearing o' the green is encouraged and if you have a favorite Irish goody that you would like to share, please bring it to the dance.

Other Places to Dance

American Legion Post 290 in Stafford

1204 American Legion Rd (County Rd 628) • Country-western lessons and dancing with Matt Leonard. • Second and fourth Sundays of the month from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. • \$7.00 per person.
For more information call Matt: (703) 509-5044.

The Corral at Fast Eddies of Centreville

14114 Lee Highway, Centreville, VA 20120 • Thursdays; line dance, two-step, couples dance lessons 7:00-8:30 p.m. followed by dancing to the Southern Winds Band and DJ until 11 p.m. • (703) 266-1888 or www.fasteddies.com • (Note: Country dancing Thursday nights only)

**Temporarily suspended due to renovations - call ahead
Grand reopening on Mar. 2 and Mar. 4 w/Southern Winds Band**

Dance Factory

954 N. Monroe St, Arlington, VA 22201 • Two-step, East and West Coast Swing, Waltz, Cha Cha, Hustle, Nightclub Two-Step • Second Saturday of every month. Hosted by Mal and Linda Zerden • Beginners lessons 8:30-9:00 p.m., dancing to DJ music until midnight • \$12 includes the lesson, dancing, and light refreshments
Call Mal at (703) 560-4724 or see www.dancefactory.com

The Ballroom

www.theballroomstudio.com • 14245G Centreville Square, Centreville, VA 20121 • (on 29 between 66 and 28 across from the Giant) • Fourth Saturday of every month • Two-step, East and West Coast Swing, Waltz, Cha Cha, Line-dancing, and Hustle 7:30 to 10:30 p.m.

The Colvin Run Community Center

10201 Colvin Run Road, Great Falls, VA 22066 (10 minutes west of Tysons Corner off Rte. 7). Second Saturday of every month
West Coast Swing, East Coast Swing, Shag, Hustle, Two-Step, Latin, Waltz and more. • email: edcottrell@macp.org or gailcrum3@aol.com

NVCWDA 2010 DANCE SCHEDULE

Free dance lessons 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. • Open dancing 8:30 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

Date	Event	Location	DJ	Lesson at 7:30		Lesson at 8:00	
				Instructor(s)	Dance	Instructor(s)	Dance
Mar 6		Jackson Middle Sch	Handy	Buckle	Forever Green Line Dance	Marlin	Santa Fe Stroll Couples Specialty
Mar 20	St. Patrick's Dance	Jackson Middle Sch	Vitale	Carlsons	Full Hour - Beginners Two Step		
Apr 3		Jackson Middle Sch	Brown	Vitale	Here Comes the Rain (Itsy) - Line Dance	Campbell	Side Kick Couples Specialty
Apr 17		Jackson Middle Sch	Vitale	Bloyer	Slappin' Leather Line Dance	Zerden	Beginners Waltz Steps

Admission: Members: \$10 / Non-members: \$12 / Children under 18, with paying adult: \$5. PSDC Members: \$10.

Regular admission rates listed above do not apply to special events dances.

Monitor hotline and web site for advance notice on May dances and last minute changes.





Dance Schedule

March 2010





NVCWDA Dances
Free Dance Lessons
 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Lessons
 Open dancing 8:30 - 11:00 p.m.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3 Dawn & Dean Cherry Hill	4 Gail Smith Nokesville	5 PSDC Vienna Am. Legion Jim and Peggy Dale and Anita	6 NVCWDA Jackson Middle School
7 Reston Dance (Reston Community Center)	8	9	10 Dawn & Dean Cherry Hill	11 Gail Smith Nokesville	12 PSDC Vienna Am. Legion Jim and Peggy Dale and Anita	13 Swingin' Country at the Dance Factory Colvin Run Dance Ed and Gail
14 Daylight Saving Time Begins Stafford American Legion	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day Dawn & Dean Cherry Hill	18 Gail Smith Nokesville	19 PSDC Annual Holiday Party Vienna Am. Legion Jim and Peggy Dale and Anita	20 NVCWDA Jackson Middle School St. Patrick's Dance
21	22	23	24 Dawn & Dean Cherry Hill	25 Gail Smith Nokesville	26 	27 The Ballroom Dance Centreville 
28 Stafford American Legion 	29	30	31 Dawn & Dean Cherry Hill	Schedule changes can occur. Please contact dance organizers directly to confirm events.		

April 2010

Gail Smith has a Nokesville dance on Thursdays. Email: rgsmith@wildblue.net for information.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Lessons by Eileen Scott: Monday night line dance classes at American Legion Post 176, Amhearst Avenue, Springfield, 8:00-9:30 p.m. No class on holidays. Pay as you go; no pre-registration required. Contact Eileen for more information: escott5678@verizon.net . See ParkTakes for her Fairfax County classes. New classes begin 3/30 at Lane Elementary School. Pre-registration required for county classes (FCPA).				1 Gail Smith Nokesville	2 PSDC Vienna Am. Legion Jim and Peggy Dale and Anita	3 NVCWDA Jackson Middle School
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25 Stafford American Legion	26	27	28 Dawn & Dean Cherry Hill	29 Gail Smith Nokesville Easterns Dance Challenge	30 Easterns Dance Challenge	

For more information on dances see contact information listed with directions (How Do I Get There) on page six.

PSDC Fridays = Country/Swing Mix
 Vienna American Legion
 (w/Beginner & Int. Lessons)
<http://www.jimandpeggy.com>

Line Dance Lessons in Sterling, VA
 Mondays - 7:00-9:00 p.m., Fridays - 7:00-8:00 p.m.
 Bernie & Lydia Vitale
dancenl@comcast.net or call 703-430-2398



Tim Gillis Spring Dance Weekend

April 22nd - 25th 2010

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Donna Shea (MA)

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John Robinson (IN)	Dave Kim (PA)
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Scott Blevins (IN)	Rosie & Bruno Multari (NJ)
Alison Biggs (UK)	Johanna Barnes (CT)
Dancin' Dean (VT)	Rona Kaye (NY)
Lynne Flanders (CT)	Mike & Dodie Serben (NJ)
Mal & Linda Zerden (VA)	
George Winchell & Deb Adams (PA)	
Donna Shea & Mike Quigley (MA)	

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Triple: \$317, Quad: \$295, Single: \$444

****One Night Stay: \$229 per person****

SPECIAL THURSDAY ARRIVAL RATE: \$84.00 per person which includes Thursday Night Dinner, Thursday Night Dance Lessons, Thursday Night Welcome Dance, and Friday Morning Classes (10:30 am & 11:30 am).

Video Taping: There will be video taping of the event. This includes all aspects of the event including the Saturday Night Show, Dance Instruction and general random candid taping of people attending the event.

Name Tags: Please write the name(s) you want on your name tag(s) on the back of the registration form

Registration for Tim Gillis Spring Weekend - April 22nd - 25th, 2010

Please fill out form completely, detach and mail with \$70 per person deposit to: **TGB Events**, P.O. Box 925, Woodbridge, N.J. 07095.

To charge your deposit call: (800) TGB-EVENT. **E-mail:** TimGillis@aol.com **Fax:** (732) 855-7990 **www.timgillisdanceweekends.com**

NOTE: Room & seating requests are limited & assigned on a 1st come, 1st served basis. We will do our best to honor your requests

Name: _____	Phone: _____	# of People with deposit _____
Address: _____	Roomates: Please list the first names of the others in this room reservation	
City, State, Zip: _____	_____	
E-mail Address: _____	_____	
<u>GROUP NAME</u> (list the group you would like to sit with): _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Deluxe</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Executive</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Smoking</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Non- Smoking</i>		
<i>Executive Rooms Only:</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>2 Double Beds</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>1 King Size Bed</i>		
Credit Card #: _____	Exp Date: _____	Security #: _____ Name on Card: _____

☐ ☐ Thursday Arrival

☐ ☐ Are you playing golf?

Deposit: \$ _____

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

March Birthdays

03/01 Shirley Hardisty
03/08 Matt Goodman
03/09 Peter Barclay
03/17 Steve Martin
03/22 Linda Zerden
03/25 Sheila Woods
03/29 Shirley Rayner
03/30 Jerry Coziahk
03/31 Jeff Mirick

April Birthdays

04/02 Matt Leonard
04/02 Sue Maillet
04/03 Diane Foster
04/04 Mike Houchins
04/05 Charles McGuire
04/07 Carolyn McDonald
04/11 Sandra Graves
04/16 Linda Harrison-Hall

Welcome New Members!

Peter Barclay
Deborah Barclay
Jerry Coziahk

Ann Macpherson
Jeff Mirick
Giovanni Sacco

Another Place to Dance!

Rock 'n Rodeo (the former Ned Devine's) in Sterling has line dance lessons with Danielle on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. A DJ provides the music. Thursday nights at 7:30 p.m. Ben & Linda teach couples dances. Live bands on Friday nights. www.rocknrodeova.com

Get Outta Town!

After the snows and cabin fever, maybe it's time to think about leaving town for a bit. You'll have two opportunities coming up. The MidAtlantic Dance Classic isn't far at all for most of us. It is being held on March 26-28 at the Westin Hotel & Resorts at BWI Airport, Linthicum, Maryland. There will be dance competitions, workshops, social dancing, and more. Hosts include Dale and Anita Strawser. Dance, learn, or just watch.

If that's not far enough afield, you'll have an opportunity to hoof it up to the Catskill Mountains in New York for the Tim Gillis Dance Weekend the weekend of April 23-25. And you can even arrive a day early if you'd like. Lots of workshops for line and couples dancing, with some top notch instructors, including Mal and Linda Zerden. Fine food and more dancing each night to country western DJs into the wee hours, with karaoke like you've never seen starting around midnight. Mal and Linda invite you to come join them, as several NVCWDA members have in the past. If you have any questions, you can call them at (703) 560-4724.

See the ads in this issue for detailed information on both of these exciting events.

HOW DO I GET THERE?

Cherry Hill, Fr. the Capital Beltway, take Exit 25 (US Route 1 South). Take first right onto Cherry Hill Road and go 1 mile to Cherry Hill Park and Camp Grounds. Entrance on the left. Follow entrance road to back of the park, make a right turn at the 3rd STOP sign. Center is on left just past swimming pool. Parking is free. <http://www.dance-info.com/>

Colvin Run Community Center, is located at 10201 Colvin Run Road, Great Falls, VA 22066 (10 minutes west of Tysons Corner off Rte. 7). Contact Ed at edcottrell@macp.org or (703) 435-5620 or Gail at gailcrum3@aol.com or (703) 450-6539

Dance Factory, 954 Monroe St, Arlington, VA. From 495, I-66 East, take N. Fairfax Dr. Exit, left on Monroe, the studio is on the corner across from Virginia Square Metro. <http://www.dancefactory.com/saturdays.html>. 703/528-9770.

Luther Jackson Middle School, 3020 Gallows Rd., Falls Church, VA. From the Capital Beltway: Take exit 50A-B to US-50 W/Arlington Blvd toward Fairfax. Merge onto Gallows Rd/VA-650 N. Turn left on Gatehouse Rd then right into school. Park in back lot near buses/tennis courts.

Nokesville Firehall, Rt. 28 South to left on Fitzwater. Left on Marstellar. Firehall on left. For info email: rsmith@wildblue.net

Reston Community Center, Fr. W. on Dulles Toll Rd, take Reston Parkway Exit, turn left on Reston Parkway, go to 2nd traffic signal and turn left on Sunrise Valley Drive, go to 1st traffic light and turn right on Colts Neck Road, go 1/4 mile and turn left into Hunters Woods Shopping Center. Community Center is in courtyard behind shopping center. 703-476-4500.

Stafford American Legion, 1204 American Legion Rd (County Rd 628), Stafford, VA. From I-95 south, take exit 143A for VA-610 E. Merge onto Garrisonville Rd/VA 610. Turn right at US 1. Go about 5.3 miles. Turn right at American Legion Rd. Go .3 mi.

The Ballroom, is located at 14245G Centreville Square, Centreville, VA 20121 (on 29 between 66 and 28 across from the Giant). www.theballroomstudio.com (703) 266-8040

Vienna American Legion, 330 Center St. N., Vienna, VA. Upstairs Ballroom. From DC: Take 66 to exit 62, Nutley St. Drive North to Rte. 123. Turn right, drive 3/4 mile to Center St. N. (at Starbuck's). Turn left onto Center St., cross Church St. and AyrHill Ave. Turn left into the American Legion just past the hidden entrance sign. Continue around building to right to upper parking lot. For more info and alternate directions: Go to <http://www.jimandpeggy.com>. Click on link for PSDC.

A Note from the Dance Director

by Bo Marlin

Hear Ye, Hear Ye! Breaking news...Mother Nature is NOT a country western fan! Yes, unbelievably, Mother Nature cancelled two of our dances in January and February by delivering record snowfalls on our dance weekends. Clearly that has put a bit of a "damper" on our rollout of beginner dance lessons. But, despite the temporary setback, we will recover—read on.

We had a great beginners' East Coast Swing lesson taught by our newest instructors, Cliff and Donna Carlson, at our first January dance. Then Mother Nature intervened and forced the cancellation of our dances (and the scheduled beginners' couples dance lessons) on the 30th of January and the 6th of February. But, fear not, I'm already looking for make-up dates in May (weather permitting).

Nevertheless, on the "docket" for March and April are a beginners' Two Step lesson by Cliff and Donna and a beginners' Waltz lesson by Mal and Linda Zerden. As I mentioned in my last newsletter article, while these lessons are primarily focused on providing the basics for our new dancers, even the more experienced dancers can always use a refresher in "frame," basic footwork, and "lead and follow." So, if you haven't already done so, mark the dates on your calendars and join us for our dances in March and April—in fact, why not join us for all our dances?

Next, much to my regret, a number of our regular volunteer dance instructors have relocated over the past year to other areas (and some to other states) and therefore will

no longer be able to support our dance lessons. While we certainly thank them for their service and wish them well, their departure has made our dance instruction scheduling a bit more challenging. It also means our current "bench" of instructors gets called on more frequently for support—and we don't want to overly impose on them or burn them out.

So, if you're not afraid of being in front of a crowd and sharing your knowledge of country western dances, please contact me and I'll be more than happy to work you into the schedule. You certainly don't have to be a professional teacher (although we do have several instructors that fit that bill) but just need to have the desire to share your repertoire of dances—either line or couples specialty dances. You CAN do it.

I'm confident you'll find being a part-time, volunteer dance instructor personally rewarding and not overly stressful. And the more volunteers we get, the easier the workload will be on the rest of our instructors (and, of course, yours truly to schedule). So, if you've always secretly wanted to be an instructor in a low-stress, friendly environment, this is your chance. Seize the moment! As always, see you on the dance floor!

Upcoming Stepper Performances

- Sat., Mar. 13** Sunrise-Fair Oaks, Fair Oaks, VA, 2 p.m. (joint show w/ Bull Run Cloggers)
Sat., Mar. 27 Arden Courts, Annandale, VA, 1:30 pm.
Fri., Apr. 16 Northern Virginia Training Center, Fairfax, VA, 7 p.m.
Sun., Apr. 18 Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Wash., DC, 6 p.m.
Sat., May 22 Sunrise-Reston, Reston, VA, 2 p.m.
Sat., June 26 VA Medical Center, Washington, DC, 2 p.m.
Sat., July 24 Westminster at Lake Ridge, Lake Ridge, VA, 7 p.m.



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL/CHANGE FORM

Northern Virginia Country-Western Dance Association

PO Box 384

Merrifield, VA 22116-0384

01/2008



Individual Members ONLY

Name _____ NEW ADDRESS _____

Check here ☐

Address _____ Apt. _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Birthday: Month _____ Day _____ (Must be 18 years of age)

Phone: Home (____) _____ Work (____) _____

Email _____

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