

Northern Virginia Country-Western Dance Association

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President's Report

by Gary Campbell

Hi everyone, it's hard to believe that it's September already. I don't know about you, but this year is flying by. First we want to thank all of you for making the dances a great success. As said before you are the reason the dances are fun and why we will keep doing them. We just celebrated our anniversary and had a great turnout. I got to talk to Joyce Leamon, charter member, during the dance and she was telling me that the Association is really older than what we celebrate. I want to thank all the dance instructors and DJ's for their hard work and for keeping the dance floor filled with great dances and music.

The temporary membership idea is working out to be a success. We've had numerous sign-ups and hope they will decide to become full time members. Also just a reminder that our line dance workshop is coming up on September 30th. I hope you can make the workshop as big a success as our dances. I'm sure I'll think of other things to say after I sign off, but they can wait. Again thank you for making the dances fun, and see you on the dance floor. Oh yea, if I have cut anybody off on a corner or two on the dance floor, let me say I'm sorry, it wasn't intentional.



Charter Member Joyce Leamon with NVCWDA President, Gary Campbell

Saturday, September 30: 3-6 pm **NVCWDA Line Dance Workshop!**

at Galilee United Methodist Church. 45425 Winding Road. Sterling. VA

\$10 per person -all goes to local charity



Please join us. **Everyone** is welcome! Bring vour friends.

This benefit fundraiser is the first in a series of fifth Saturday workshops that are in the works. The proceeds will go to the recipient of the annual spring benefit dance to support a local charity. The lessons will start with beginners the first hour followed by a combination of beginner and intermediate lessons.

The planned lineup: Drinking Problem chor. by Darren Bailey, 1159 chor. by Rachel McEnaney, Little Red Book chor. by Dee Musk, Strip It Down EZ chor. by Dancin' Terry, Blessed chor. by Jackie Miranda, Hootenanny chor. by John Robinson. First hour: Beginner Dances. Second hour: Classes in separate rooms for beginners and intermediate. Third hour: intermediate and possibly reviews. Time permitting also Gypsy Queen chor. by Hazel Pace and reviews of previously taught dances.

Note: Galilee Church has donated the space in support of our charity event at no cost. We will set out a basket in case anyone would like to bring a little extra for them in appreciation of their generosity.

Dance Demo Team Performance Schedule

Sept. 30: Both Teams

11:00 - Fall for Fairfax 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA

Oct. 28: Couples Team

2:00 - Sunrise Fair Oaks 3750 Joseph Siewick Dr. Fairfax, VA

Nov. 4: Couples Team

2:00 - The Hermitage Retirement Community 5000 Fairbanks Avenue Alexandria, VA

Please check website to verify dates in case of schedule changes.

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Treasurer's Report

by Bill Wong

The online IRS Form 990N has been submitted as has the Virginia State Corporation Commission Annual Report and registration fee.

The association started the fiscal year with \$9,579.54 on May 31, 2017 and currently has a balance of \$11,624.74 as of September 15, 2017.

Below is the quarterly report:

					Fiscal Yr.	
Category	Aug	Nov	Feb	May	Ending	Aug
	2016	2016	2017	2017	5/31/17	2017
INCOME						
Admissions	1,585.00	3,105.00	3,436.00	3,553.00	11,679.00	2,789.00
Donations Payable						
to Others	0.00	0.00	370.00	2,015.00	2,385.00	0.00
Donations Received	93.00	116.00	128.00	809.25	1,146.25	426.00
Interest Inc	.18	.18	0.20	0.23	0.79	0.23
Membership Dues	198.00	522.00	324.00	522.00	1,566.00	540.00
TOTAL INCOME	1,876.18	3,743.18	4,258.20	6,899.48	16,777.04	3,755.23
EXPENSES						
DJ (1099 payee)	1,500.00	1,800.00	1,900.00	1,800.00	7,000.00	1,800.00
Donations to Others	0.00	0.00	370.00	3,427.00	3,797.00	0.00
Dues, Fees, Licenses	0.00	55.00	778.00	-328.80	504.20	25.00
Insurance	0.00	536.94	0.00	0.00	536.94	0.00
Phone	164.77	159.96	160.59	40.31	525.63	0.00
Space Rental	1,365.00	350.00	300.00	1,000.00	3,015.00	0.00
Supplies	0.00	37.52	291.21	356.49	685.22	122.03
Website	0.00	0.00	151.18	0.00	151.18	0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,029.77	2,939.42	3,950.98	6,295.00	16,215.17	1,947.03
OVERALLTOTAL	-1,153.59	803.76	307.22	604.48	561.87	1,808.20

Lessons Taught Recently at NVCWDA Dances

Step sheets for most of the dances listed below are available on our <u>website</u>, under the "DANCE INFO" tab.

It Ain't My Fault LD	Reggae Cowboy (Couples)
Over the Moon LD	Escapate LD
Alligator Shuffle (Couples)	Gin & Tonic LD
Until the Dawn LD	Something Fine (Couples)
The Wanderer (Couples)	Head Over Boots (Couples)
Six Pack Summer (Couples)	A Country High LD
San Antonio Stroll LD	McGraw Stroll (Couples)



NVCWDA Inclement Weather Policy



Dances are cancelled whenever Saturday activities in the Fairfax County Public Schools are cancelled. The news media will announce any school closing. If we find out early enough, we will put the information on our website and hotline. You can also check for emergency announcements on the Fairfax County Public Schools website at: http://www.fcps.edu/news/emerg.shtml

Dance Director's Report

by Linda Bloyer

Our Demo Teams have been busy this summer performing around the area and spreading the joy of country dancing. Both teams will perform at Fall for Fairfax on 9/30, from 11am-noon on the Cox Community Stage. Come out and give us some moral support. It's always nice to see friendly faces in the crowd. Thankfully, several couples from the Line Dance Team have been doing double-duty at the joint performances and also dancing with the Couples Team. That really has helped!

The Couples Team has 2 more performances this Fall: Sunrise at Fair Oaks on 10/28, 2pm-3pm (couples), and the Hermitage Retirement Community (couples, rescheduled from 6/25) on 11/4, from 2pm-3pm.

The first 5th Saturday workshop will take place on 9/30 at Galilee Church in Sterling from 3pm-6pm. This event is a an extension of our April Benefit dance (usually Fisher House). There will be approximately 6 dances taught. There will be 4 beginner dances and 2 more advanced dances. Bernie, Lydia, Ali, maybe Eileen, and maybe I will teach. We may do some review of some dances taught at the regular dances, if time and interest permit. Cost is \$10 per person. We are planning to provide water, but you might want to bring your own. Snacks are not being encouraged, unless you need something for yourself. Hopefully, we'll have a Couples workshop the next 5th Saturday event, which won't be until March. Yes, there's a 5th Saturday in December, but there won't be a workshop.

The beginner 2 Step lessons in the hallway took a break while I was on vacation and for the Anniversary Dance, since I taught 2 Step as one of the lessons. I'm planning to continue those at future dances when I'm there. I'm still looking for help with that, since there are others of you who could teach some basic 2 Step to a couple of people for 10 minutes or so. If you're looking to learn how to do this dance, plan to join me for a short lesson.

We have been re-teaching dances lately in the hope

Line Dance and Couples Demo Teams at Frying Pan Park August 6, 2017



that some of the ones we've done may catch on. It's hard to remember a dance you learned one night and then didn't think about again, only to be expected to be able to dance it 2 or 3 weeks later. Doesn't happen. So, we re-teach.

If you have suggestions regarding couples dances to be taught at upcoming dances, please let me know. I'm hoping to get some more lead & follow dances taught, as well as a few different pattern dances.

Board Meeting Summary

by Nancy Vogelman

August 13: It was reported that removing the phone hotline saves \$600 a year. NVCWDA received a \$100 donation from Paul Springs Retirement Community where we had line and couples demo team performances.

Our membership is 129 including 14 expired memberships that are currently within the three month grace period and 9 trial memberships. Our fiscal year average attendance thus far is high: 55.4. August is typically a lower than average month.

Custom Ink, the new shirt company that is working with Bernie is able to give us much better prices with shirts when ordered in larger quantities. Orders to be placed soon.*

Discussions were held for ways to welcome visitors and those who sign up for trial memberships. We want to make

them feel at home. An welcome packet could include step sheets, a rack card, and a list of local classes to name a few. Emails are planned to welcome them and inform them of the benefits of becoming full members. As their trial membership nears the end they will be invited to join.

Plans for the Anniversary Dance were made. Debbie was asked to send out the invitations. Regular lessons to be held. Potluck food, a cake, colored tablecloths and decorations for extra festivity. Clogging or tap dancing performers as well as the professional couples; Mal and Linda, and Dale and Anita would be invited to perform.

A date for the next meeting is set for Sunday, October 8, at 3:00-5:00 pm.

*The shirt order is in. Emails will be sent out to those who ordered them. They will be available to pick up after the line dance workshop 9/30 and at the next dances 10/7 and 10/21.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

October Birthdays

10/01 Bernie Vitale 10/05 Joyce Leamon 10/06 Elisabeth Gomes 10/10 Robert Marlin 10/12 Sandy Hudson 10/14 James Bregar 10/18 Dale Weed 10/23 Richard Franklin



10/26 Jeffrey Vogelman

10/27 Patricia McMurray

November Birthdays

11/05 Pat Shrader 11/10 Peter Andrews 11/26 Charles Drummond 11/29 Mal Zerden

11/30 Bill Cole

December Birthdays

11/30 Debbie Hetterly

12/03 Linda-B Woodworth 12/04 Francie Andrews 12/25 Delbert Ashby 12/25 Steven Swart 12/27 Richard Humbert

Newsletter Sections on Website

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Newsletter Deadline

December 15 for articles, reports, ads and news items Email to: communications@nvcwda.org

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

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

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Welcome New Members

Diane Moody Sara Tae Steve Tae

Marie-Luce Mittakarin Mike Walker Laura Walker



07/2017

P.O. Box 384 Merrifield, VA 22116-0384 Individual Members Only

Name	NEW ADDRESS check here Apt	Membership Category New 1 year\$18.00
City	StateZip	2 years\$36.00 90 DayFree Trial*
Birthday: Month Day	(Must be 18 years of age)	Membership #
Phone: 1st	2nd	Make check payable to NVCWDA
Email		Cash Check #
Your email address will be used only for offi	cial NVCWDA notifications, including me	embership renewals and announcements

Please check your preferences on the following question	าร
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Would you be willing to help with some of our activities during the year?	Yes	No
Would you like your birthday listed in our newsletter on your birthday month?	Yes	No

*Trial memberships are only available for those who have never been members.

Today's date