



Charlottesville Swing Dance Society Swing Dance News ~ January 2014

~ Next Dance ~

Saturday, Jan. 18th at <u>Unity Church</u> DJ/Lesson Instructor Brian Richards

> Lesson, 7-8 pm BLUES

Dance 8-11 pm

Swing Swap

Resumes Thursday, January 9th!!

January Dances (Monthly/Special Events*)

Friday, January 3rd 1st Friday Jig Jam Rigby's Jig (Richmond) 7:30-10:30 pm

Saturday, January 4th
Rocktown Rocks (Staunton)
7-7:30-8-11 pm

Saturday, January 11th<u>Stacy's Jam</u>, Salsa Lesson
with Edwin Roa!!
7-8-11 pm

Sunday, January 12th
California Mix Dance
The Dance Space (R'mond)

Happy New Year! Member Perks for 2014!



Just some of the DVDs available in our Video Library ...

Happy New Year! We hope 2014 is filled with lots of great dancing in addition to the usual good health, happiness, etc.! We are fortunate to live in an area with a strong sense of community among dancers and swing our clubs/organizers and we hope you'll take advantage of the many local and regional dance opportunities that are available. Thank you to our fellow area dance organizers for being part of a congenial dance community and for all of your hard work year in and year out. In thinking about what membership to CSDS means beyond the dance admission discount you receive, we've come up with a few new **Member Benefits** for 2014; we hope you enjoy them!

1) **CSDS Video Library**: Check out an instructional DVD by one of your favorite WCS Pros or an event DVD covering competition, performances and/or workshops! CSDS members may check out DVDs for a 2-week period; a cash deposit (ranges from \$20-\$45) is required and is given back when the DVD is returned; there is a \$5 late fee per week. For a list of available DVDs, click **here**. If you have DVDs you'd like to donate to our library, please **let us know**. To reserve a

7-9 pm

Saturday, January 18th
CSDS BLUES Dance with DJ/
Instructor Brian Richards
7-8-11 pm

Saturday, January 25th Lynchburg Swing 4th Saturday Swing Dance 8-9-11 pm

Saturday, January 25th Cville Savoy 7:30-8:30-11:30 pm

Saturday, January 25th USA Dance Charlottesville 7:15-8-10 pm Dance

Thursdays - FREE!! Swing Swap, 7:30-9 pm Murray High School Gym

*Events are listed as a courtesy to their sponsors; all are subject to change or cancellation, esp. during inclement weather. Please contact the event sponsor, not CSDS, to confirm all details!

January CSDS Member Birthdays

Bob Johnson (2nd)
Megan Keith-Hynes (2nd)
Pam Torrence (2nd)
Helena Lindholm (9th)
Ray Brumbelow (12th)
Chris Javor (15th)
Diane McDougall (19th)
Julie Barber (20th)
Elaine Kraus (25th)
Barb Franko (29th)

(\$5 Admission for Members the Month of your Birthday) Members, let us know if we've missed your birthday!

~ Dance Schedule ~ (2014)

DVD, contact <u>Adela</u> and arrange for pick up (usually at Swing Swap). We got this idea from our friends in the Atlanta Swing Dancers Club (thanks, ASDC!).

2) **CSDS Member Appreciation Dinner**: Free for CSDS members, to be held this summer (date TBA)!! More details to come in the spring so stay tuned.

Not a member, no worries! You can become a member $\frac{\text{here}!}{\text{Even}}$ Even if you're not a member, there are many ways you can help to support our club and our dance community \sim help to open/close at our monthly dances, check in people at our Workshop Weekends or Intensive Workshops, help clean up at the end of any of our functions, just to name a few.

January BLUES Dance!

UVA PhD student and blues dancer Brian Richards returns to be our DJ and Lesson Instructor at our January 18th dance at <u>Unity Church</u>. Blues, you say, why Blues?! Well, we already love to dance West Coast Swing to Blues music, so why not?! Visit the



following links below to watch some great Blues dancing and see for yourself how WCS and Blues both came from Lindy Hop, and how similar the dances are. Note: Blues is less technical than WCS and easier to learn!

http://www.blues-dance.com/aboutbluesdance/ http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lahEeP27978&feature =channel&list=UL

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6zktVBB9GfI http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dBiGLv9hRVQ

Brian will teach a Beginner Blues lesson from 7-8 pm, included in your admission, and then play a great selection of music (Blues and other styles) for both WCS and Blues dancing from 8-11 pm. See you then! (Photo courtesy of Mein Samala)

Beginner Classes Start Jan. 28th

Beginner group classes, taught by **Kristin Wenger**, through our partner, the County of Albemarle, start Tuesday, January 28th at the <u>Murray High School gym</u> (where <u>Swing Swap</u> is held). Kristin will be teaching West Coast Swing Level 1 from 6-7:30 pm, and



Nightclub 2-Step Level 1 from 7:30-8 pm. Both classes have instruction and practice time built in. More information is available here and you can register here.

Highlights from the Holiday Dance

Thanks to everyone who attended our holiday dance and for bringing such delicious snacks to share \sim what a great way to finish up the year! We look forward to seeing all of you in 2014.

January 18th ~ Unity

February 15th ~ Unity Illumination Dance March 15th ~ Unity Board of Directors Election April 19th ~ MAC Workshop Weekend with Pro Robin Smith May 17th ~ MAC June 21st ~ MAC July 19th ~ MAC August 16th ~ Unity "Bring A Friend" Night September 20th ~ Unity October 18th ~ Unity Halloween Dance November 15th ~ Unity December 13th ~ Unity Holiday Dance (2nd Sat.)

Admission:

- \$10 CSDS Members
- \$13 Non-Members
- \$5 Students (Full-Time with ID), First-Timers

Venues:

MAC: Municipal Arts Center 1119 Fifth Street SW
Charlottesville, VA 22902
Unity: Unity Church 2825 Hydraulic Circle
Charlottesville, VA 22901

Time:

Lesson: 7-8 pm Dance: 8-11 pm

Board of Directors & Helpers(2013/2014)

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Next BOD Meeting

Sunday, January 5th

6 pm Dinner Meeting Email <u>CSDS</u> for Directions; Members Welcome!

~ Booty's Corner ~



Available now, CSDS nametags! Plastic, 1.5" high x 3" wide with magnetic fastener. Cost is \$7.85. Contact Adela if you'd like to order one. Also coming in early 2014, other CSDS logo products like mugs, clothing, drawstring backpacks and other accessories ... stay tuned!

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<u>DanceJamDC</u>

World Swing Dance Council Events

USA Swing Dance Network

Skippy Blair

Michael Kiehm's 10 Basic Concepts for Better Basics

Michael Kiehm's YouTube Tips

Wicked Westie Video of the Week

D'Amico Dance Video Tips

Custom Orthotics

Soles2Dance

West Coast Swing Radio

Radio West Coast Swing

WCS Songs

Dance Etiquette

Dance World Takeover

Maria Ford's Smoothstyle Dance Studio

Liza's Updates

Upcoming Dance Events

January 9-12, 2014: <u>Sweet Side of Swing</u> - Atlanta, GA January 16-19, 2014: <u>America's Classic</u> - Houston, TX January 24-26, 2014: <u>Freedom Swing</u> - Philadelphia, PA February 21-23, 2014: <u>Kyle & Sarah Workshops</u> - Raleigh, NC

March 6-9, 2014: MADjam - Vienna, VA

April 24-27, 2014: Swing Dance America - Milwaukee, WI

May 22-26, 2014: <u>Grand Nationals</u> - Atlanta, GA May 29-June 1, 2014: <u>Michigan Classic</u> - Detroit, MI June 26-29, 2014: <u>Liberty Swing</u> - New Brunswick, NJ

Adela is often the Table/Group Dinner Organizer for events

attended by C'ville area dancers ~ if you're planning to go to any of these or other events, let her know! Also, if you have any interest in attending these events, book your room now as the event hotels sell out well in advance; you can always cancel it later if you end up not going.

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Want to be in the know about dancing in and around Charlottesville? Then join our Mailing List! You'll receive the latest news from Charlottesville's best resource for dancing in our area. We'll never sell or give out your email address, that's a promise!



Interested in being a <u>member</u> of CSDS? It's only \$15/year (the equivalent of 4 Starbucks coffees!) and your dues help us continue to hold our <u>monthly dances</u>, workshops, <u>Swing Swap</u> (FREE weekly dance practice) and gives you a \$3 discount at all of our dances!!

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