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AN UPDATE ON THE BEST CRUISE SHIPS FOR DANCERS

By Vivian Beiswenger

Anyone who knows me at all, knows that my favorite way to travel is on cruise ships. On a recent cruise to the Med, I saw a man whom I have accidentally met on at least three cruises, now. Extraordinary, when you consider how many cruise ships there are and the fact that he lives in Hong Kong. His name is PC Mar and he recently emailed me and asked me to keep him informed about my dance cruises. We do have two things in common: we both love ballroom dancing and we both agree that the only cruise line that truly supports

Most of the BLSDC August Mediterranean cruise group representing dancers from Florida to New York and Maryland to Wisconsin.

ballroom dancing is the Cunard Line.

PC has traveled on other luxury lines and has talked to people who traveled on the economy lines and he said, "I only travel on Cunard." It's even more amazing that we keep meeting because Cunard has only three ships: the Queen Mary 2 (my favorite), the Queen Victoria, and the Queen Elizabeth. Although these ships usually have over 2000 dancers, typically, the number of real ballroom dancers will be small (less than 30 or 40), so there is plenty of room to dance. I never want to be on a ship with hundreds of ballroom dancers. No cruise ship dance floor can comfortably handle hundreds of dancers who know how to move.

According to Ray Rouse, an Entertainment Director for Cunard and a former Blackpool Champion, the Cunard ships have the largest dance floors at sea, rectangular floors in a beautiful ballroom called the Queens Room. The bands, orchestras, and DJ's play real ballroom music, including all the usual dances, plus sambas, tangos, quicksteps and Viennese waltzes. On every cruise, there is a high quality ballroom dance couple teaching basics and available for private lessons. Every ship has male dance hosts (usually six). Most of my traveling companions agree that, once you have traveled with Cunard, if you are a ballroom dancer, you are spoiled for other ships.

Cunard has a few other distinctions. Based out of Southampton, England and featuring the best transatlantic voyages, while may countries are represented on the ship, most of the passengers are English-speaking.

Mary 2 (the only ship on which I would cross the Atlantic because it is the only large ship with a V-shaped hull). This is one of my favorite trips. I love having all "sea days" to relax. There are plenty of on-board activities to keep everyone busy and, with only two ports (New York and Southampton), off-ship costs are kept to a minimum, making this a very costeffective cruise. When the dates match, this cruise is a great way to get to or from the Blackpool Dance

I have done the transatlantic

voyage twice on the Queen

Festival. Also, at last check, the transatlantic was the only cruise with a kennel that allowed travelers to bring their dogs!

The Cunard ships are not for everyone. If you love traveling with a lot of children, find another line. Cunard limits the number of children on board and restricts them from certain areas of the ship. On my latest cruise on the Queen Elizabeth, there were 2,082 passengers and I counted fewer than a dozen children.

Also, if you don't like to dress up, Cunard is not the line for you. While daytime activities are casual and there are casual dining alternatives, the main dining room and ballroom are usually formal or semi-formal with only two or three casual nights per cruise. But, if you do like to dress up - after all, we are ballroom dancers - you will love this cruise line. Luxury cruising at non-luxury prices. Hope to see you on my next cruise!

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YOU ARE INVITED

To join me and other dancers on a dance cruise from Los Angeles to New York through the Panama Canal on March 2-30 with stops in Pt. Vallarta, San Juan del Sur, Puntarenas, Curacao, Grand Cayman, and Fort Lauderdale.

Can't make this trip, then join me in Blackpool and/or the post-Blackpool cruise to Stockholm, Helsinki, St. Petersburg (overnight), Tallinn, Warnemunde, Copenhagen, Kristiansand, and Southampton.

Our travel club is seeing the world on luxury cruises with large dance floors and real ballroom dance music. Our groups are small and personal and many of our cruisers have sailed with us two, three, four, or more times. The above two cruises are on Cunard ships. My last cruise for 2013 is the **Grand European** Viking river cruise from Amsterdam to Budapest and Prague. This river cruise will sell out early, so book now. Our Viking group rates expire December 19. Call about special sale dates. *See our ad on page 12*.

Healthy Living: Metabolic Balance© - More than Twice as Successful for Permanent Weight Loss than its Nearest Competitor

By Dr. Veronica Collings, DC

Says who? The German governmental agency responsible for the nutritional wellbeing of that country, the German Nutrition Society (DGE) studied the results of the top weight loss programs and found Dr. Funfack's Metabolic Balance to be 62.5% successful at **keeping weight off for greater than one year**, compared to its nearest competitor, Weight Watchers, which had only 31% success.

That was enough to get me on a plane to Los Angeles to meet the developer of this program that boasts over 650,000 participants in Europe. I spent three days at a conference with both the European and newly forming American Metabolic Balance team to learn just how this success is made possible. I am happy to say that I am now one out of about 50 coaches in the US who are trained to deliver this program to patients, their families, friends and anyone who is being threatened by the deadly quartet of overweight, high blood pressure, high triglycerides and diabetes. I was happy to learn that I was joined in this endeavor by Pennsylvania University graduates, Michael and Veruschka Torosian, MD's, with their practice in Wayne. They, too, intend to use Metabolic Balance to improve the lives of their patients.

What makes this program so different that I had to sit through such intense training for three days to learn how to apply it when I already have years and years of nutritional experience? It was developed by German medical doctor, Wolf Funfack, and his team of physicians and nutritional scientists. This sophisticated program is based on more than 20 years of their clinical research and personal experience.

The program is uniquely designed for your body chemistry, using 34 blood



values that scientifically determine exactly what foods your body needs. Improper nutrition can cause metabolic and hormonal imbalances which can result in weight gain and other disorders. Each person needs a unique combination of nutrients to achieve and maintain a balanced metabolism. Fulfilling those nutritional needs and eliminating the excess is what leads to natural, sustainable weight loss. *No pills, no shakes, no injections* - just wholesome natural foods that include balanced carbs and protein. These result in no hunger and no cravings.

Dr. Diane Shwarzbein, endocrinologist and author of four books on this subject, *proposed* years ago that sick people can't lose weight. Dr. Funfack *proves it* by developing a program that first focuses on restoring health. Healthy weight is then a by-product.

The program is structured and easy to follow because it includes personal coaching sessions and a road map to lasting success. It is an innovative four- phase program that takes you from detoxification to stabilization of your perfect weight and permanent

strategies for maintaining your success. Of course, as your metabolic balance improves, problems of improper nutrition can resolve. Remember, if you've been struggling unsuccessfully with weight loss programs that give you temporary results, at best, maybe your focus needs to be on first restoring your metabolic balance. This premise has already been proven in Europe, with over 650,000 participants; I hope to bring these great results to the United States as part of the US Metabolic Balance Team. To find out more about Metabolic Balance, visit the web site at www.metabolic-balance.com/us or call my office for the schedule of introductory lectures at 610.828.9634.

Editor's Note: Here's the cover insert to Dr. Funfack's book, Metabolic Balance Your Personalized Nutrition Roadmap: "Metabolic Balance© is not a standardized diet plan, but rather a holistic approach to putting your body's metabolism into a healthy balance and reaching your perfect body weight. Insulin, the pancreatic hormone, plats a central role in this process. It opens the door to your body's cells, allowing blood sugar to enter them and supply the body with energy. Being overweight has a strong effect on the delicate balance between blood sugar and insulin levels and is thus the root of many common illnesses and disorders. Healthy nutrition, as recommended by Metabolic Balance©, will stabilize your bodies insulin level, maintain a natural feeling of fullness after a meal and balance your body's metabolism. The cornerstone of Metabolic Balance© is a personalized nutrition roadmap based on your body's metabolic levels."

Brian L. Wells and Starliters Dance Studio, Inc. Presents

20th ANNIVERSARY BALLROOM SHOWCASE & DINNER DANCE

DUPONT COUNTRY CLUB

(Map finder address: 1001 Rockland Road, Wilmington, DE 19803)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2012

\$65/ Person Includes:

*Cocktail Hour w/ General Dancing (Cash Bar)

*Sit down dinner chicken entree

(Vegetarian dish Pasta Primavera available upon request. Any special food needs, please contact Fay Blair directly at number below.)

*Fabulous Showcase w/over 3 HOURS of General Dancing

Event times are as follows:

2:30 - 3:30 pm/ Cocktail Hour and General Dancing to DJ

3:30 - 5:30 pm/ Showcase Presentation and General Dancing to DJ

5:30 - 6:30 pm/ Elegant Sit Down Dinner

6:30 - 9:30 pm/ General Dancing to DJ

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS SUNDAY NOVEMBER 25, 2012!!!!

For reservations, please call Fay Blair at 610-918-2208.



THE ANSWER IS YES; PLAN TO MAKE YOUR WEDDING DANCE A HAPPY DANCE

by Renata Maslowski

The popularity of Dancing with the Stars and the ubiquitous presence of YouTube.com would make anyone believe that we were all bred to be film stars. The reality is that most people will be professionally filmed dancing only during special events, such as a wedding. Fretting about hosting the perfect wedding celebration quickly follows the joy and anxiety tied to popping the question. Finding experts to ease your fears and create an uplifting event that will become a treasured memory is important for both emotional and financial reasons.

It is clear that the central figures at a wedding are the bride and groom, followed closely by the father of the bride and the mother of the groom, and the supporting cast, comprised of the wedding party. In a traditional wedding celebration, it is expected that the bride and groom, as well as the couple's parents, be showcased in exclusive dances.

To ensure that the wedding dances will be elegant, keep these *five tips handy*:

Start planning as early as six months prior to the wedding. This allows enough time to learn and practice the steps of the dance and build your confidence.

Select a highly qualified (preferably certified) dance instructor with choreography experience. Find someone who comes widely recommended by other wedding couples. Meet with the instructor to ensure that the chemistry among all involved is positive. You may need to take four, six, or more private sessions to build out your wedding dance.



Photo: Shirley & Joe Duffy performing their wedding dance following instruction by Brian Wells of Starliters Dance Studio.



Explore song choices (www.theweddingdancespecialists. com/wedding-dance-songs.php) and potential dance styles, but be open to suggestions from the dance instructor, too. Bring or send a copy of the song to the instructor before your first meeting, the size of the dance floor, and the orientation of your audience. The instructor will then be able to

assess what choreography is possible. Bring the shoes in which you will dance at the wedding. Also consider a dress rehearsal for the bride in her gown with the dance instructor to ensure that the steps can be performed unencumbered by the dress. Sorry, grooms, but no peeking before the wedding day. A non-dress rehearsal on the actual floor you will be using can also help eliminate disorientation on the wedding day.

Talk among yourselves. Are you shy, outgoing, funny, romantic? Knowing your style will help the instructor to create a dance performance that is uniquely you. It will also increase your confidence if you are comfortable in being yourselves on the dance floor.

Consider the wedding party. Often, a father/bride and mother/groom dance or even having the entire wedding party perform a group dance enhances a wedding celebration. Exploring all the options early provides the opportunity to create a one-of-a-kind package that will become a treasured experience for everyone.

The answer is YES: there is time to plan <u>and</u> rejoice. Use dance lesson times to relax with your significant other, learn and laugh together, and your wedding dance will be a happy dance indeed.

About the Author: Renata J. Maslowski is a News Journal blogger who writes on topics of local entertainment, health and wellness. Check out her articles and join her on Twitter and LinkedIn.



LAST CHANCE TO LEARN TO DANCE FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE!

Stop sitting out while everyone else is having a great time! Get your friends dancing, too. We are offering the following classes both for new dancers and experienced dancers who have been sitting out some dances or playing it safe and missing the fun.

BEGINNER CLASSES FOR NEW DANCERS

Classes starting Nov. 12 for five weeks (exc. 11/26):
Day/Time Class # Weeks Price
Mon. 6:30-7:10 PM Beginner Ballroom 5 \$55 pp
Mon. 7:15-7:55 PM Beginner Swing 5 \$55 pp
Mon. 8:00-8:40 PM Beginner Salsa 5 \$55 pp
Mon. 8:45-9:25 PM Beginner Cha Cha 5 \$55 pp

Classes starting Nov. 14 for six weeks:

Day/TimeClass# Weeks PriceWed. 6:30-7:10 PM Intro to W. Coast Swing 6\$66 ppWed. 7:15-7:55 PM Intro to Hustle6\$66 pp

All the above classes are at the North Penn YMCA in Room 8, 608 E. Main St., Lansdale, PA

STOP SITTING OUT THESE GREAT DANCES

INTRO to QUICKSTEP - It's not as hard as it looks. Four weeks of Sunday night classes from 5:15 –6:40 pm (11/18, 12/9,12/16, 12/30) at the Indian Valley YMCA, A/B Studio 890 Maple Ave., Harleysville, PA (at Route 113).

ONE-DAY WORKSHOPS IN DECEMBER

At the North Penn YMCA, Impact Zone Studio INTRO TO SAMBA - the ultimate party dance. Saturday December 8, 2-5 PM, \$39 per person INTRO TO TANGO - another fun dance. Saturday December 15, 2-5 PM, \$39 per person INTRO TO CHA CHA - the flirtatious dance. Saturday, December 22, 2-5 PM, \$39 per person INTRO TO BALLROOM AND SWING - the basics. Saturday December 30, 1-4 PM, \$39 per person

MORE ADVANCED DANCERS CAN SHOW OFF

VIENNESE WALTZ W/FLEKERILS - December 1, 2-5:30 pm; \$54 per person one week in advance QUICKSTEP W/SCATTER CHASSÉS - December 29, 2-5:30 pm; \$54 per person one week in advance

For more information: 215-855-2711 or INFO@BLSDC.COM

KADEL'S KORNER

A new feature from Peter Kadel, Fellow ISTD

Editor's note: Peter Kadel teaches international style ballroom at various locations in the Delaware Valley. He is a highly commended Fellow of the Imperial Society of Teachers of Dancing (ISTD). He lives in Lansdowne with his wife, Carol, and son, Andreas.

THE THREE WHISKS

This easy and short 3-measure combination of three Whisks should be done almost on the spot, with the man staying well down on the second and third measure. The second Whisk, called the Left Whisk and the third Whisk, called the Fallaway Whisk, are Gold syllabus figures.

Man's Part, having danced a normal Whisk, ended facing DW in Promenade Position:

Step	Description	Count
1	Take RF forward and across in CBMP and Promenade Position	1
2	LF to side and slightly forward, foot flat	2
3	Cross RF behind LF, with right heel up	3
4,5	Twist (unwind) to the right on ball of RF and heel of LF for ¾ turn, to end facing DC.	1,2
6	Slip LF behind RF, ending in Promenade Position	3

Lady's Part, having danced a normal Whisk ended facing DC in Promenade Position:

Step	Description	Count
1	Take LF forward and across in	1
	CBMP and Promenade Position	
2	RF to side and slightly back, to back	2
	the wall	
3	Cross LF behind RF, shoulders and	3
	left heel backing the LOD, looking	
	well over the left shoulder, both heels	
	now down.	
4	RF forward, outside partner, facing	1
	DC against LOD, start turning to	
	right.	
5	LF side, continue turning for 3/4 to	2
	back DC.	
6	Cross RF behind LF, having turned	3
	another 1/4 to face DC against LOD	
	in Promenade Position.	

Follow with a Weave or Wing; a Cross Hesitation or a Chasse, all from Promenade Position.

Abbreviations: DW=diagonal wall; DC=diagonal center; LF=left foot; RF=right foot; CBMP=contra(ry) body movement position.



Delaware Valley Dance Organizer Contact Information

Adelphia Nightclub, Deptford, NJ, www.adelphiarestaurant.com, 856.686.0700

American Ballroom Company, Ewing, NJ, www.americanballroomco.com, 609.931.0409

Argen Tango Dancers, Marlton, NJ, www.argen-tango.com, 856.751.2770

Argentine Tango School, Philadelphia, PA, www.philadelphiatangoschool.com

Atrium Dance Studio, Pennsauken, NJ, www.atriumdance.com, 856.661.9166

Ballroom, Latin & Swing Dance Center, Lansdale, PA, www.DancingAtTheYMCA.com, 215.855.2711

Bella Rosa Ballroom, Broomall, PA,

www.bellarosaballroom.com, 215.258.5587

Blue Moon Dancesport, Exton, PA,

www.dancebluemoon.com, 610.363.8679

BlueBallRoom, Wilmington, DE, www.blueballroom.net, 302.290.2583

Brasil's, Philadelphia, PA, www.brasilsnightclub.philly.com, 215.413.1700

Brian Gallagher, various Delaware Valley locations, g11brian@aol.com, 215.292.3340

Broomall Ballroom w/Roberto, Broomall, PA, www.broomallballroom.com, 610.459.3564

Carousel Ballroom, West Chester, PA, www.carouselballroom.com, 610.701.0600

Central Jersey Dance Society, Princeton, NJ, www.centraljerseydance.org, 609.945.1883

Coastline Bar & Grill, Cherry Hill, NJ, coastlinenj.com, 856.795.1773

Dance Haddonfield, Haddonfield, NJ, www.dancehaddonfield.org, 856.429.9154

Dance Nights, Wallingford, PA, 610.644.0828 Dance Time of NJ, Marlton, NJ, 856.574.4018,

www.dancetimeofnewjersey.com

Dancers Unlimited, Broomall, PA, 610.352.1996, www.DancersUnlimited.MM.com

Dances by Diane/Diane Alcavage, Westville, NJ, www.dancesbydiane.com, 856,456,3900

DanceSport Academy, Ardmore, PA, www.dancesportpa.com, 610.642.2525

Delaware Valley Swing Club, Collingswood, NJ www.delval.wordpress.com, 856.858.6753

Donna Boyle, various Delaware Valley locations, www.donnaboyle.com, 215.740.3472

DuPont Country Club, Wilmington, DE, 302.421.1747 Estilo Dance Studio, Philadelphia, PA,

www.estilodancestudio.com, 215.336.0170

Fiesta Ballroom Dance Club, Broomall, PA, www.fiestadance.com, 610.521.1819

Guys & Dolls Ballroom Dance Club, Newtown, PA, guysandolls@comcast.net, 267.364.5819

Jersey Dance, various NJ locations, www.jerseydance.com, 609.375.8468

Jersey Shore Ballroom Dance Club, Somers Point, NJ, www.dancejerseyshore.com, 609.645.3269

Joy of Tango, www.joyoftango.com, 267.536.9623

Kimberton Dance Society, Kimberton, PA, 610.935.2721 La Luna Dance Studio, Bensalem, PA,

www.lalunadancestudio.com, 215.638.0418

Lesley Mitchell & Kelly Ray, Philadelphia, PA, www.dancephiladelphia.com, 215.574.9555

Lindy and Blues, Philadelphia, PA, www.lindyandblues.com Living in Rhythm, Phila., PA, www.livinginrhythm-intl.com Lynne Stevens, Lansdale, PA, lasdance13@comcast.net Mambodelphia, Westville, NJ, www.mambodelphia.com, 609.330.6804

Maria Aldrete & Steve Mason, Pennsauken, NJ, tengotango@verizon.net, 610.246.2043

MasterJay Moves Dance Studios, Philadelphia, PA, www.masterimoves.com, 215.564.2575

Medalist DC, Bellmawr, NJ, miloshevv@aol.com, 856.905.6189

Michael's Café, Bensalem, PA, 215.633.7171 Monday Blues Jazz Orchestra, Trenton, NJ, www.mondaybluesjazz.com, 609.910.3434

Mostly Waltz, Broomall, PA, www.mostlywaltz.com, 215.643.4397

Painted Bride Art Center, Philadelphia, PA, www.paintedbride.org, 215-925-9914

Parx Casino Club 360, www.parxcasino.com, 888.588.PARX Peppermint Dance Club, various Delaware Valley locations, www.peppermintdanceclub.com, 610.558.4556

Philadelphia Argentine Tango School, Philadelphia, PA, www.philadelphiatangoschool.com, 617.291.3798

Philadelphia Swing Dance Society, Philadelphia, PA, www.swingdance.org, 215.849.5384

Princeton Clubs, Princeton, NJ, www.princeton.edu Quickstep, Inc., Ardmore, PA, quickstepinc.net, 610.649.6655

Rob Baen & Sheila Purkey, www.robandsheiladance.com, 856.517.0793

Salsa in the Suburbs, Upper Darby, PA, 610.800.8182, www.salsainthesuburbs.com

Sangha Space, Media, PA, www.sanghaspace.com, 610.565.0300

Society Hill Dance Academy, Philadelphia, PA, www.societyhilldance.com, 215.574.3574

Spamps Restaurant, Conshohocken, PA, www.spampsrestaurant.com

Stardust Ballroom, Bellmawr, NJ, www.stardustbellmawr.com, 856.931.4000

Starliters Dance Studio, Inc., Hockessin, DE, www.starlitersdance.com, 302.798.6330

Sunnybrook Ballroom, Pottstown, PA, 484.624.5187

Sweeneys, Bala Cynwyd, PA, 610.896.5221, http://home.comcast.net/~sweeneydance

Swing Kat Entertainment, Pottstown, PA, www.swingkat.com, 610.348.6727

Swingalongs, Doylestown, PA, www.swingalongsdance.org, 215.257.1846

Take the Lead Dance Studio, Hockessin, DE, www.taketheleaddancestudio.com, 302.234.0909

Tango Café, Philadelphia, PA, davidwalterp@verizon.net, 215.629.2344

The Studio at Take the Lead on Pine, Philadelphia, PA, www.taketheleadstudio.com, 215.471.3215

Top Hat Dance Studio, Philadelphia, PA www.tophatdancestudio.com, 215.676.3100

Universal Ballroom Center, Collingswood, NJ, www.universalballroomcenter.com, 856.869.0010

Viva Tango!, Princeton, NJ, www.vivatango.org

Calendar of Places to Dance: NOVEMBER/DECEMBER, 2012

Contact information for events listed here is on the previous page.

MONDAYS

ESTILO DANCE STUDIO @ Brasil's 8 PM Salsa Dance See website

LINDY AND BLUES @The Adrienne 8:30 PM-12 AM Blues Lesson & Dance

MASTERJAY MOVES DANCE STUDIO @ Vango Skye Bar & NC

8 PM-2 AM Salsa Lesson & Dance

PRINCETON TANGO CLUB

10:30 PM-12:30 AM Argentine Tango Practica

ROB BAEN & SHELA PURKEY @ Dance Time of NJ

9-11 PM West Coast Swing Dance

TUESDAYS

ADELPHIA NIGHTCLUB

8 PM Hustle Dance

DANCE NIGHTS

8-11 PM Lesson & Dance

DANCE TIME OF NJ

9-10:30 PM Dance

DANCERS UNLIMITED

7:30-11 PM Lesson & Dance exc. 11/26, 12/25

LESLEY MITCHELL & KELLY RAY

8:30-11 PM Argentine Tango Practica

LINDY AND BLUES @ Ethical Society 8 PM-12 AM Lindy/Blues Lesson & Dance

LIVING IN RHYTHM @ Reef Rest. & Lounge 9 PM-2 AM Salsa Lesson & Latin Dance

PEPPERMINT DANCE CLUB @ Prospector's 7-10:30 PMLesson & Dance

ROB BAEN & SHELA PURKEY @ Sangha Space

9:30-11 PM West Coast Swing Practica

STARDUST BALLROOM

Salsa Dance 12/25 call for time

SWEENEYS @ Cynwyd Club 7:30-10 PM Lesson & Dance 11/20

WEDNESDAYS

AMERICAN BALLROOM COMPANY

7-9 PM Newcomers' Lesson & Practice Party exc. 11/21. 12/26

ARGEN TANGO DANCERS

8-11 PM Argentine Tango Practica

ATRIUM DANCE STUDIO

9 PM-2:30AM Latin Lesson & Dance 11/21

WEDNESDAYS (continued)

BRASIL'S w/La Luna Dance Studio 9 PM-2 AM Salsa Lesson & Dance

FIESTA BALLROOM DANCE CLUB

8-11 PM Lesson & Dance

JERSEY DANCE @ Enterprise Ballroom 7-11 PM Lesson & Dance See website

7-11 PM WCS Lesson & Dance See website.

MICHAEL'S CAFÉ

8:30 PM-12:30 AM Hustle Lesson & Dance

MIXX BAR & RESTAURANT

7:30-11 PMLatin Lesson & Dance

PHILADELPHIA ARGENTINE TANGO SCHOOL

7:30 PM-12:30 AM Arg. Tango Lesson & Practica

SPAMPS RESTAURANT

8-11 PM Salsa Lesson & Latin Dance

THURSDAYS

BLUE MOON DANCESPORT

7-9:30 PM Newcomers' Lesson & Dance

BRASIL'S w/La Luna & Estilo Dance Studios 9 PM-2 AM Salsa Lesson & Dance 1st Thur.

DANCETIME OF NJ

9-10:30 PM Beginners' Dance

LINDY AND BLUES @Univ. City Arts League 8-11 PM Lindy Hop/Balboa Lessons & Dance

LYNNE STEVENS @3rd & Walnut Banquet Hall 8:30-11 PMCA Mx Lesson & Dance 3d Thurs. exc. 11/22

MASTERJAY MOVES DANCE STUDIO 9 PM-2 AM Salsa Lesson & Dance

PARX CASINO CLUB 360

9:15 PM-1 AM Latin Dance

PEPPERMINT DANCE CLUB @Ch. on the Mall

7:15-11 PM Lesson & Dance exc. 3d Thurs. 7:15-11 PM Hustle Lesson & CA Mix Dance w/Donna Boyle 3rd Thurs.

SANGHA SPACE

7:30 PM-12 AM Arg. Tango Lesson & Practica

FRIDAYS

AMERICAN BALLROOM COMPANY

8-11 PM Practice Party exc. 12/21, 12/28

BALLROOM, LATIN & SWING DANCE CENTER @ North Penn YMCA

7:30-9:45 PM Dance Party (see ad)

BRASIL'S w/La Luna Dance Studio

9 PM-1:30 AM Salsa Lesson & Dance

FRIDAYS (continued)

BRIAN GALLAGHER @ Atrium Dance Studio

8 PM-1 AM Hustle & West Coast Swing Lessons & Dance 2nd Fri.

CAROUSEL BALLROOM

8-11 PM Lesson & Dance Exc. 1st Fri.

LA LUNA DANCE STUDIO

8 PW-2 AM Salsa Lesson & Dance 11/9, 12/21

LESLEY MITCHELL & KELLY RAY

8:30 PM-2 AM Arg. Tango Lessons & Milonga

LYNNE STEVENS @3rd & Walnut Banquet Hall 8:30-11 PM CA Mix Lesson & Dance 11/23

PAINTED BRIDE ART CENTER

8 PM Salsa Dance w/Live Music See website

PEPPERMINT DANCE CLUB @ Ch. on the Mall 6:45 PM-12 AM CA Mix Lesson & Dance exc. 1st Fri.

ROB BAEN & SHELA PURKEY @ Dance Time of NJ

8 PW-12:30 AM WCS Lesson & Dance

SOCIETY HILL DANCE ACADEMY Center City 8:30-10 PM Dance

STARDUST BALLROOM

7:30 PM Lesson & Dance 11/2, 11/16, 12/14 8 PM Latin Lessons & Dance 11/23

STARLITERS DANCE STUDIO @ DuPont CC

8-11:30 PM Lesson & Dance 11/9, 12/21

SWEENEYS @Cynwyd Club 7:30-10 PM Lesson & Dance 11/2

SWING KAT ENTERTAINMENT

8 PM-12 AM WCS Lesson & CA Mix 1st Fri. 8 PM-12 AM Swing Lesson & Dance 2nd, 4th, 5th Fri.

8 PM-Late Salsa Lesson & Dance 3d Fri.

TAKE THE LEAD DANCE STUDIO

8-11:30 PM Latin Lesson & Dance 2nd Fri.

THE STUDIO AT TAKE THE LEAD ON PINE 9 PM-1 AM Salsa Lesson & Dance 2nd, 4th Fri.

SATURDAYS

ARGEN TANGO DANCERS

8 PM-12:30 AM Lesson & Milonga 3rd Sat.

ATRIUM DANCE STUDIO

7:30 PM Kids Halloween Party 11/3 9 PM-2:30 AM Salsa Lesson & Latin Dance

BELLA ROSA BALLROOM

8-11 PM Couples' Dance 11/24

BLUEBALLROOM

8-11:30 PM Dance 11/10

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SATURDAYS (continued)

BRASIL'S w/Estilo Dance Studio

9 PM-2 AM Salsa Lesson & Dance

BROOMALL BALLROOM

8:30-11:30 PM Couples' Dance 11/10, 12/15

CAROUSEL BALLROOM

8-11 PM Lesson & Dance 1st Sat.

CENTRAL JERSEY DANCE SOCIETY

7-11 PM Dance 12/29

7-11:30 PM Swing Lesson & Dance 3rd Sat. 7-11:30 PM Lesson & Dance 12/8

DANCES BY DIANE (ALCAVAGE)

8-11 PM Lesson & Dance See website

DELAWARE VALLEY SWING CLUB

7 PM-12:30 AM WCS/Shag Lesson & Dance 3rd Sat.

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6:30-11 PM Dance 12/8 (rsvp by 12/6)

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ROB BAEN & SHELLA PURKEY @ Sangha Space

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8 PM-12 AM Salsa Dancing 11/17, 12/15

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STARLITERS @ Take the Lead DS

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8-11 PM Swing Dance w/Live Music 11/17

SWEENEYS @ Cynwyd Club

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SATURDAYS (continued)

SWING KAT ENTERTAINMENT

7:30-11:30 PM Lesson & Dance See website 8-11:30 PM Swing Lesson & Dance See website

SWINGALONGS DANCE CLUB

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TAKE THE LEAD DANCE STUDIO

8-11:30 PM Lesson & Dance

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8 PM California Mix Dance Party 12/29

UNIVERSAL DANCE CENTER

8-10:30 PM Dance See website

SUNDAYS

ARGEN TANGO DANCERS @ Atrium Dance Studio

11:30 AM-3 PM Milonga 1st Sun.

ATRIUM DANCE STUDIO

3-7 PM Lesson & Dance

BALLROOM, LATIN & SWING DANCE CENTER @ North Penn YMCA

1:30-3:30 PM Practice Party

BRIAN GALLAGHER @ Michael's Café

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4-8 PM Lesson & Dance 11/11

COASTLINE w/Atrium Dance Studio

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DANCE HADDONFIELD

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DANCES BY DIANE (ALCAVAGE)

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5-8 PM Lesson & Dance See website

JOY OF TANGO Collegeville Tango

4-8 PM Lesson & Milonga 2nd, 5th Sun.

LESLEY MITCHELL & KELLY RAY

9-11:30 PM Milonga 3rd Sun.

MARIA ALDRETE & STEVE MASON @ Atrium Dance Studio

11:30 AM-3 PM Milonga 3rd Sun.

MEDALIST DC @ Stardust Baliroom 2:30-5:30 PM Lesson & Dance 1st, 3d, 5th Sun.

MONDAY BLUES JAZZ ORCHESTRA

3-7 PM Dance w/Big Band 11/18

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2:30-6 PM Waltz Lesson & Dance 11/25, 12/30

SUNDAYS (continued)

ROB BAEN & SHELA PURKEY @ Sangha Space

5-10 PM West Coast Swing Lesson & Dance 4th Sun.

STARDUST BALLROOM

7-11 PM Over-55 Dance w/Band

SWING KAT ENTERTAINMENT

7-10 PM Lesson & Dance 1st, 3rd, 5th Sun. 7-10 PM A. Tango Lesson & Milonga 4th Sun.

TANGO CAFÉ @ Society Hill Dance Acad. 3:30-7 PM Milonga 4th Sun.

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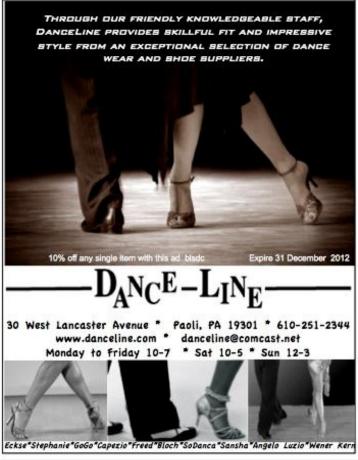
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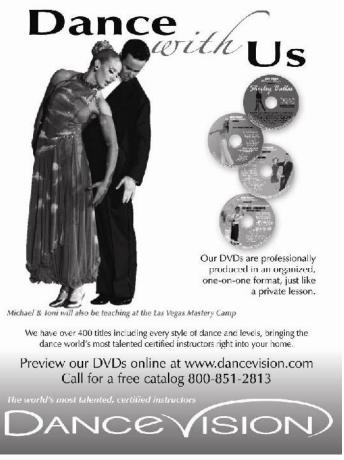
- **Nov. 8-11, Thur.-Sun. DC Swing eXperience**, Dulles Hyatt, Herndon, VA, www.dcswingexperience.com
- **Nov. 9, Fri. Stardust Ballroom Showcase,** Stardust Ballroom, Bellmawr, NJ, www.stardustbellmawr.com
- Nov. 9-11, Fri.-Sun. Roberto's Dance Weekend: New York Express, Villa Roma Resort & Conference Center, Callicoon, NY, www.robertosnewyorkexpress.com
- Nov. 10, Sat. Argentine Tango Workshops with Ivan & Sara, Sangha Space, Media, PA, info@tangohop.com
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- Nov.16-18, Fri.-Sun. Stardust Dance Weekend, Honor's Haven Resort & Spa, Ellenville, NY,
- www.stardustdance.com, 800.537.2797 (see ad)
- Nov. 17, Sat. Top Hat Dance Studio Thanksgiving Dinner Party, Philadelphia, PA,
- www.tophatdancestudio.com, 215.676.3100
- **Nov. 21, Wed. The Silver Linings Playbook** featuring pro dancers Lana Roosiparg and Jan Paulovich is released
- Nov. 30, Fri. Big Band Dancing Dinner Dance w/Serenaders, Cavaliers Country Club, Newark, DE, rsvp 302.239.5159
- Nov. 30, Fri. American Diabetes Association Benefit Dance, Stardust Ballroom, Bellmawr, NJ, tataytoeknee@yahoo.com
- Dec. 1, Sat Viennese Waltz Technique Workshop featuring Flekerils w/ Rita Gekhman, North Penn YMCA, Lansdale, PA, www.blsdc.com, 215.855.2711 (see ad)
- **Dec. 1, Sat. Kings Ball DanceSport Competition,** Sheraton Hotel Times Square, NY, NY, www.kingsball.com, 917.754.8957
- Dec. 2, Sun. Starliter's 20th Anniversary Dinner Dance & Showcase, DuPont Country Club, Wilmington, DE, rsvp 610.918.2208 (see ad)
- **Dec. 8, Sat. Jersey Shore Ballroom Dance Club Dinner Dance,** Ram's Head Inn, Galloway, NJ, www.dancejerseyshore.com
- **Dec. 16, Sun. BlueBallRoom Showcase Spectacular,** Wilmington, DE, www.BlueBallRoom.net, 302.984.2583
- Dec. 21, Fri. 20th Anniversary Holiday Spectacular with Donna Boyle/Ron Bess, Stardust Ballroom, Bellmawr, NJ, rondancetalk@gmail.com, 215.740.3472
- Dec. 22-Jan. 3, Sat.-Wed. BLSDC Christmas & NYE Cruise on Cunard's Queen Mary 2 roundtrip New York, with St. Thomas, Dominica, St. Lucia, Barbados, St. Kitts, www.DancingAtTheYMCA.com, 215.855.2711 (see ad)
- Dec. 29, Sat Quickstep Technique Workshop featuring Scatter Chassés w/ Rita Gekhman, North Penn YMCA, Lansdale, PA, www.blsdc.com, 215.855.2711 (see ad)

- **Dec. 29-31, Sat.-Mon. 25th Yuletide Ball,** JW Marriott, Washington, DC, www.yuletideball.com, 301.972.2416
- Dec. 31, Mon. Guys & Dolls & BLSDC New Year's Eve Dinner Dance, premium sit down dinner, door prizes, dance hosts, Williamson's Restaurant. Horsham, PA, www.blsdc.com, 215.855.2711 (see ad)
- Dec. 31, Mon. Kimberton Dance Society NYE Dinner Dance, Kimberton, PA, Kimberton_arts_bldg@yahoo.com Dec. 31, Mon. NYE Dance, Blue Moon Dance Studio, Exton. PA www.bluemoondancesport.com. 610.363.8679
- **Dec. 31, Mon. NYE Dance,** DuPont Country Club, Wilmington, DE, rsvp by 12/29, 302.421.1747
- **Dec. 31, Mon. NYE Dance,** Stardust Ballroom, Bellmawr, NJ www.stardustbellmawr.com
- Dec. 31, Mon. West Coast Swing NYE Dinner Dance w/Rob & Sheila, Dance Time of NJ, Marlton, NJ, www.robandsheiladance.com
- Jan, 12, Sat. Quickstep Showcase & Dinner Dance, Quickstep, Inc. & Hunan's Restaurant, Ardmore, PA, 610.649.6655
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- **Jan. 18-20, Fri.-Sun. Manhattan Amateur Classic,** Chelsea Pier 20, NY,NY, qualifying event for USA Dance 2013 Nationals, www.mac.nyusadance.org
- Jan. 27-Feb. 3, Sun.-Sun. Stardust Cruise VII, Royal Caribbean Adventure of the Seas, www.stardustdance.com, 800.537.2797 (see ad)
- **Feb. 9, Sat. UPenn Classic,** Pennsylvania Convention Center, Philadelphia, PA,
- http://www.dolphin.upenn.edu/ballroom/upenn-classic
- Feb. 9-10, Sat.-Sun. Third Annual Steel City Classic DanceSport Amateur Competition & Workshops, St. Nicolas Greek Orthodox Cathedral, Pittsburgh, PA, www.steelcityclassicdancesport.com (see ad)
- Feb. 15-17, Fri.-Sun. Eastern US Dancesport Championships, Boston Renaissance Waterfront Hotel, Boston, MA, www.easterndancesport.com, 877.883.8732
- **Feb. 16-17, Sat.-Sun. Mid-Atlantic Championships,** qualifying event for USA Dance 2013 Nationals, Bethesda North Marriott, Bethesda, MD, www.usadancedc.orm
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- Mar. 16, Sat. Baltimore Dancesport Challenge, Westin Baltimore Washington Airport Hotel, Linthicum Heights, MD, www.baltimoredancechallenge.com, 240.535.2669 (see ad)

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Apr. 12-14, Fri.-Sun. - Stardust Dance Weekend, Honor's Haven Resort & Spa, Ellenville, NY,

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of News of Potential Interest to Delaware Valley Dancers

- Our condolences go out to the family of **Diane Strohl**, who with her husband, Doug, frequented Swing Kat swing dances at The Ballroom on High in Pottstown, PA. Diane lost her struggle with cancer on October 8.
- Congratulations to Brian Wells on the upcoming release of his new EP with six original songs. You can hear Brian sing at his December 2 showcase and dinner dance. See ad on page 4.
- Look for Lana Roosiparg and Jan Paulovich in the November 21 release of the Silver Linings Playbook movie starring Bradley Cooper, Robert DeNiro, Julia Stiles and Jennifer Lawrence.
- Congratulations to **Brian Wells**, the recipient of the 2012 National Dance Council of America (NDCA) Lifetime Community Service Award, presented at the New Jersey State Open Dance Competition on 10/26-28.
- USA Dance has added a Junior Athletes Parents Committee to its DanceSport Council (DSC) and Ken Richards, VP of DanceSport, has named Todd Kirrane, VP of Operations of the Junior Athletes DanceSport Association, to Chair this Committee. The Chair is a voting member of the DSC.









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