



South Shore Dancers

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Honor Our Vets – Red, White & Blue Nov. 13

For a bit of patriotic flavor, let's find some red, white and/or blue to put some color in the photos on the web site. Aside: have you noticed **Ellen Miller** scooting around the dance floor getting photos to illustrate our illustrious history. Find our newest Director's work on the web site.

We will start off at 7:00 pm with a **Bachata** lesson provided by **Paul Hughes**. We don't see very many of our guests jumping up to dance when we play Bachata music. Some just do a Rumba. Paul wants to "fix" this by providing us with some basics and some variations to make it interesting.

Reservations are required to get the discounted price of \$12 for Members and USA Dance members. Email us at **Tickets@SouthShoreDancers.org** or call Tom at 781-659-4703. For all others, admission will be \$14.

We'll have continuous music from 7:30 to 10:30 pm provided by DJ **Tom Osterland**.

The Club will provide bottled water (instead of the usual pitchers), coffee and hot water. There will be a refreshment table. We are concerned that some of our Members and guests would not be comfortable with an open selection of food prepared or handled by others. All of the food items will be wrapped by the manufacturer or by Mother Nature (tangerines, etc.)

Lots of Orange for the Harvest Ball

Lestyn Gilmore led off our evening with a Rumba lesson to get our hips warmed up. She chose a combination that was interesting but that everyone was able to do. There was enough time to get the steps and to polish our technique. At the end, everyone was a Rumba Dancer.

Then, Lestyn put on her DJ hat and played music for us to dance. The long layoff must have given her time to acquire and sort new music and to screen the rest of her collection for goodies we hadn't heard. Several people commented on how they enjoyed her music program.

We usually play 2 mixers in the course of the evening. We hope to resume this practice when COVID is in our rear-view mirror. Hopefully the extra line dances added to the schedule served as a partial compensation to our single dancers.

Other Upcoming Dances:

Norwood Sunday Dances Nov. 7, and 21 and Dec. 5

Paul Hughes and Judy Silverstein are continuing their program of dances on the first and third Sundays of the month at the Norwood Knights of Columbus Hall, 572 Nichols St. in Norwood. Dance music from 6:00 - 9:00 pm. Snacks and beverages are available. Admission is \$15 per person. For information, call 617-759-1568 or go to www.norwoodsundaydance.com for the latest schedule.

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John Peters Dances are Taking the Rest of the Year Off

John will resume his dances at the Boys and Girls Club of Plymouth again in **March**, But he will be featured at our December dance with a Waltz combination he says he's saved especially for us.

Lestyn Gilmore Has No Dances in 2021 But...

Lestyn will be our DJ at our Holiday Dance December 11 and will host another dance at the Walpole Senior Center from 1 to 3pm on Friday, January 27. Some DJs play good dance music; some play good holiday music; but Lestyn has the best collection of **holiday dance music**.

Dancing With the Stars: From 15 Down to 8

We have just finished week 7 of this season's series. It has included the best ever collection of stars. Once Martin Kove was eliminated after the first round, it seemed that all of the remaining couples were really trying to improve each week. After the first three weeks, it looked like there would be 4 couples in the finals: Amanda & Alan, Jojo & Jenna, Melanie & Gleb and Suni & Sasha. Then there was a real drop-off, especially when the audience votes came in. The release of the audience scores after the first round turns out to be unique (maybe even a mistake.) After that, Melanie didn't improve as expected. Amanda still looks great in the ballroom dances but is only keeping pace in the other styles. Iman has a handicap, being the tallest man and partnered with Daniella, perhaps the shortest lady. But they make the best of it and are obviously working at improving. The biggest surprise in recent weeks is Olivia Jade. She and Val topped the leader board last week with all 10s and winning two extra points in the special relay event. Jojo & Jenna are possibly the favorites, consistently first or second on the judges ranking. The most striking thing about them is that Jojo is the strongest of all of the non-pros in every way. Many times the pro will perform the bulk of the showy choreography while the star is in the shadow, trying to keep up. Not so with them.

WEEK 7 - 11/1

Dancers	Judges Raw	Judges %	Judges Rank
Jimmie Allen & Emma	38	11.84%	3
Melanie & Gleb - ELIM Wk-5			
Christine & Pasha - ELIM Wk-3			
Brian & Sharna - ELIM Wk-4			
Melora Hardin & Artem	38	11.84%	3
Olivia Jade & Val	42	13.08%	1
Matt & Lindsay - ELIM Wk-4			
Amanda Kloots & Alan	33	10.28%	6
Suni Lee & Sasha	33	10.28%	6
The Miz & Witney - ELIM Wk7	32	9.97%	8
Kenya & Brandon - ELIM Wk 6			
Cody Rigsby & Cheryl	34	10.59%	5
Iman Shumpert & Daniella	32	9.97%	8
JoJo Siwa & Jenna	39	12.15%	2
Martin & Britt - ELIM Wk-2			
Sum	321	100.00%	

3 Teams of 3 – Relay – one point per judge awarded, 12 points in all.