

C.L.G. Today™

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Mary Smith, Joyce Guthrie, and the Blue Ridge Thunder Cloggers (BRTC) laboriously work to present this annual workshop. This close knit group understands teamwork.

The location for this event is the historical Carver Center in Purcellville Virginia. It is a great facility, wooden floors, bright rooms, and ample parking. On site lunch and dinner were available for nominal cost. BRTC president Charlessa McConnell did a fine job welcoming in the dancers and making the necessary announcements throughout the day. Fifteen clubs attended the workshop.

Featured instructors were Darolyn Pchajek and Andy Howard. Darolyn is from Winnipeg Manitoba Canada. Andy is a Floridian currently living in Georgia. Both have taught at numerous workshops, and internationally. These two instructors are great friends and love writing routines and teaching together. Their combined efforts are amazing!



Virginian instructors were Mary Smith, Joyce Guthrie, Jayne Treadwell, Amanda Burns, Lynn Grassi, Beth Dunlap, Mary Guliuk, and Janet and Thomas Sileo. Also teaching were Pam Smiley(MD) and Barb Elko(PA), the CelticRhythm School of Dance, and Lifestyle Wellness.

Extra related dance activities included basic buck class, costuming, basic Irish Dance, choreography, and yoga.

A successful workshop has a lot of ingredients, location, facility, instructors, ease of registration, sound systems, stages, and lets not forget attractive t-shirts. Often the final ingredient is overlooked...the attending dancers. Those attending AP Stomp were energetic, and friendly. Most noted were the children, and young adults from Will's Mountain School of Dance. These kids were fun! It was a pleasure sharing the dance floor with them.



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July 23-24, 2020—New Orleans, LA

Marilyn Hansen CCI Tuition Scholarship

In Honor and memory of Marilyn Hansen

What is the Marilyn Hansen Scholarship?

This scholarship was established to honor the memory of Marilyn Hansen, a woman who supported clogging through much of her life and was dedicated to the cause of education in the area of clogging instructors. This grant includes tuition scholarship for the Certified Clogging Instructor Program for two sessions and the application fee worth \$310.00.



- This scholarship does not include travel and lodging.
- The scholarship cannot be applied to franchise sponsored CCI Sessions, it can only be applied to CCI Sessions offered by CLOG such as sessions offered during the National CLOG Convention.
- The scholarship must be used in the same year it is awarded.
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How To Apply:

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Have you heard the news!!!!
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We listened to your Comments!! For the first time in 37 years the National CLOG Convention moves to the Summer!



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Great Ghost

Tentative Schedule
July 23, 24, 25
Certified Clogging Instructor Seminar—Thur, Fri
Judges & Directors Seminar—Fri
Nightly Fun Dances—Fri, Sat, Sun
Workshop Halls—Sat, Sun
Universal Clogging Championships—Sat, Sun
Exhibitions—Fri
Open Teach Hall—Fri
Riverboat Dinner Jazz Cruise—Sat

Come Dance With Us

A Bridge City Clogger Dance Workshop **Featuring Shane Gruber** **and Johanna Moloughney**

It was Sept 2019, a cool day this fall.
 We gathered to clog dance in St. Martin's Hall.
 Rosalie prepared and planned for many a month.
 Organizing Instructors, Venue, Syllabus and Lunch.
 Anne, Vesta and I got to know each other better.
 When fruit, snacks and cookies we purchased together.
 Vesta's changing friends comment, gave Anne such a scare.
 That night friends were dumping her in her dreams and nightmares.
 We know that won't happen. We know it's not true.
 No one's better than Anne at tying Vesta's shoes. :)

North Battleford, Swift Current, Lethbridge, Mortlach, Lumsden,
 Kipling, Regina, Saskatoon and Brandon.
 Cloggers came from afar, to dance and have fun.
 With Johanna from Ontario, and Shane from Michigan.

Shane was first to get us all moving.
 He was jovial, witty, playful, entertaining, amusing.
 Starting with 'Shotgun' and put your 'Hands Up'
 Did Nylinda, (not Brenda), Joey and Gallop.
 Anne with an e was in the front row.
 Shane pointed this out, so we all would know.
 When Michele started to WooHoo and gleefully cheer.
 Shane said, You will be causing me trouble this weekend, I fear.

Then my friend Ronda got caught.
 Turning a Samantha when she should not.
 This put our instructor in quite a tizzy.
 From then on, Ronda was nicknamed Dizzy.
 Barb G has the Cha Cha moves, Whoa, you bet!
 This put Shane in quite a sweat.
 With his hand on his head to wipe his brow,
 He said, You'll be known as Cha Cha, now.

Just so you know, now that I'm through,
 Johanna will come up to get 'Sexy' with you.
 Turning to the back, it was plain to my eyes.
 The sexier moves were being made by the guys.

Saturday Johanna started with 'At the hop'.
 Then, what do you know, Keith Urban showed up.
 'Never Comin' Down', Cindy showed us her moves.
 Wow! said shocked Shane, That girl's' in the groove.



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From now on, I declare and proclaim!
'Keith', should, and shall be your nickname.

Marilyn H suggested Shane compose new words to the song 'Waterloo'.
For the Canadian Clogging Convention, that was happening soon.
Too late, no time said he. This is what comes to me.

🎵 Rosalie, Rosalie, Golly Gee, Rosalie. 🎵

As the day went on, we learned to clog to many a song.
Teresa Brewer, Doris Day and Elton John.
Jazz Box, Cha Cha, Salsa, Charleston.
Kentucky, Triple, and Cowboy Drag, then Drag it Back.
Ooh Eee, Boogie, and Monkey, Basic. Clog dance Maniac.

To turn 3/4, Johanna taught us some math.
It's simple, turn $3 \times 1/4$ or $1/4 + 1/2$.
Turkey, Donkey, Mountain Goat, and Dogs we had to walk.
Baby Switch, High Horse Lift, Over and Under the Log.

To Shirtless, I mean! Shoeless Joes, we went to eat, drink and munch.
Now was that Supper? Dinner? or Lunch?
Soon we're back at the hall. We all agree.
Not often do we have a chance to dance with special guests like these.

Bounce, hop, clap, kick, sway, slur vine.
Macarena, Chicken Dance, Electric Slide.
'Rock Around the Clock', 'Oh Yeah Oh Yeah Oh Yeah'.
I 'Only Wanna' 'Stagger' to the 'Rocking Chair' and there stay.

Equipment packed, hall tidied, at the end of the day.
Lyle and Rosalie get in my car to be on our way.
Lyle says "Rosalie, I think that you forgot."
"Your car is here, in this parking lot."

We gather in Room 321 at the hotel.
Reminisce, 'Analyze',
This clog dance workshop went splendidly well.
Thanks and Appreciation is extended gratefully
To Rosalie, Johanna and Shane with an e.

Bernadette Hermann
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
Canada
October 2019

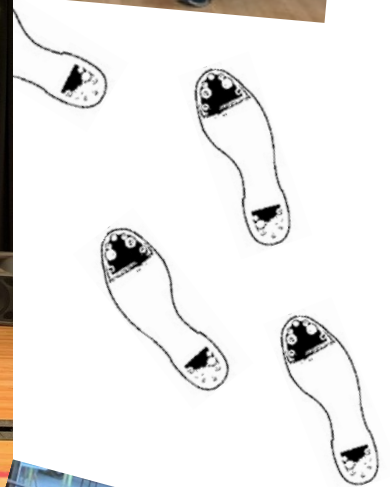


Clogging News.....

Hysterical, sums up the skit that Darolyn Pchajek and Mary Smith presented at the fun dance. Many said it was the first time they have seen Mary in a dress, Mary agreed! You gotta love clogging and cloggers!

Big thanks to all the instructors and volunteers. BRTC you added the perfect ingredients, it was a fantastic workshop!

See you in 2020!



Jesse and Frank needed a nap after all that dancing!





Upcoming Events

January 10-11, 2020

Southern Arizona Clogging Festival
Old Pueblo Dance Center
Tom Bogan (520)290-2368
tbogan1@cox.net
sardasa.com

January 24-26, 2020

Oregon Mid-Winter Festival
Linn County Expo Center
Albany, Oregon
Aaron & Linda Gibbens (541) 344-8433
a_gibbens@msn.com

February 1, 2020

Cabin Fever Clogging Workshop
Baku Grotto Hall
Mansfield, OH
Jeff Driggs 304-776-9571
ccajeff@aol.com
<http://www.doubletoe.com/CabinFever.htm>

February 21-22, 2020

Northwest Clog Down
Hazel Dell Grange
Vancouver, WA
Mike McDow 503-620-8032
Mike_mcdow@yahoo.com

February 22, 2020

For the Love of Clogging
Dalton Recreation Center
Dalton, GA
Alexis Free alexisfree2003@gmail.com

February 29, 2020

Gateway to the Ozarks
Hoxie Community Center
Hoxie, AR
Kathey Wilson 870-243-8113
dancetymestudio@gmail.com

March 12-14, 2020

Smokey Mountain Encore
Gatlinburg Convention Center
Gatlinburg, TN
Lynne Ogle Holbrook 865-805-7025
Lynne@smokeymountainencore.com
www.smokymountainencore.com

March 13-14, 2020

41st Texas Clogging Council Cloggers' Rally
"Waco Convention Center
Waco, TX
txrally2020@gmail.com
www.texas-clogging.com

March 14, 2020

March Madness
Danville Grange
Danville, CA
Deann Norris 408-981-2545
Lois Elling 510-278-8621
Lois.elling@pacbell.net

March 27-28, 2020

Possum Trot Clogging Workshop
Courtyard by Marriott
Oxnard, CA
possumtrotca.net

March 28-30, 2020

Northeast Clogging Convention
Nashua, NH
Beth Kendall 802-439-3349
bkendall@tops-tele.com

July 24-26, 2020

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Convention
Sheraton New Orleans
New Orleans, LA
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Competitions

March 28, 2020

Winter Clogging Invitational (NCHC)
Polk County High School
Columbus, NC
Chip Summey Ncjcs@aol.com
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April 4, 2020

City Slicker Stomp
Independence, MO
Missy Shinoski 816-443-3030
kloghop@sbcglobal.net
www.CitySlickerStomp.Info

April 4, 2020

Southern Junction Clogging Championships
Wren County High School
Piedmont, SC
Gwen Stamp (864)299-8601
clogfan@yahoo.com

May 9-10, 2020

Dollywood Clogging Classic
Dollywood
Pigeon Forge, TN
David & Susan Phillips
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June 13, 2020

Riverfront Clogging Classic (ACHF)
Savannah Civic Center
Savannah, GA
Quinn Stansell (704)418-8047
qstansell@gmail.com

June 13, 2020

Cherokee Clogging Challenge (CCA)
Cherokee Central School
Cherokee, NC
Ccaclog.com

June 19-20, 2020

Grand Challenge of Champions
Silver Dollar City
Branson, MO
David and Susan Phillips
gncclog.webs.com/

July 11, 2020

Let the Sparks Fly (NCHC)
Cabool, MO
Rebecca Peterson (417) 254-3168
matbec@centurytel.net

July 25, 2020

Universal Clogging Grand Slam Invitational
& Competition
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Friday	Judges and Directors Seminar
Friday	Workshops- Up and Rising Instructors
Friday Evening	Fun Dance
Friday Evening	Exhibitions
Saturday	Workshops- National Instructors Featured Instructors
Saturday	Universal Clogging Championships
Saturday Evening	Optional Riverboat Jazz Dinner Cruise
Saturday Evening	Fun Dance
Sunday	Workshops- National Instructors Featured Instructors
Sunday	Universal Clogging Championships
Sunday Evening	Fun Dance

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