World Line Dance Newsletter FUN IN THE SUN 2015 REPORT

It always takes me a week or so to recover and catch up so here's the report on FITS. It was great fun and the largest EVER this year because everyone comes, has a great time, and brings their friends next time. The gorgeous pool is always a star at this event and people take advantage by coming early, staying late, and just relaxing by the pool during the entire weekend and in the evenings. There are so many places close by to eat and shop and the hotel shuttle bus drivers are very accommodating as is the staff at the hotel. It is truly, not only a great line dance event, but a great event to just come and enjoy the venue and area. It is only a short trip from the airport to the event and there is a free shuttle back and forth to the airport. You are greeted, as always, by Jen and Jason and their friends/staff and it's like homecoming every year to see them at the registration desk and all over checking on things and making sure everything is running smoothly. The dance floors, as always, are excellent since they are owned by Jen and Jason, so they make sure there is plenty of it and it is a pleasure to dance upon. The DJs, Louis St. George, J.P. Potter, and Kelly Cavallaro, did a great job of trying to keep everyone happy and the floor full. Thanks for all your hard work during the weekend.

We had a great group of instructors this year with an awesome schedule of dances offered. In fact, it made it difficult to pick which classes to take but you will see in "reports from others" that they cover a lot of the dances. THE HIT of the weekend (there aren't many weekends when there is a THE HIT) but the most talked about and the one everyone went home to teach is WITNESS by Fred Whitehouse and Darren Bailey. What a beautiful dance in a style that we don't often do. It will be around for awhile and I hope you get to learn it. It certainly wan't the only good dance taught this weekend but it was the one that has gotten the most attention. Some of the others that people said they liked were Riversoul, Mr. Put It Down, Can't Feel My Face, Do What You Do, Make It Rain, See You Again, The Avener, You're Not The Boss of Me, Bad Girls, Fall For You, Stonecold, First Kiss, Running and those were the ones that people sent me as their favorites. I actually saw a bunch liked. I hope you will send me some others that you liked but I can't possibly take every class and I really couldn't think year.

Schedule of Dances Taught: http://floridafuninsun.com

Instructors For the Weekend:

Sandy Albano (FL) Larry Bass (FL) Scott Blevins (IN) Lindy Bowers (FL) Will Craig (NC) Zac Detweiller (FL) Amy Glass (OR) Maddy Glover (Austrailia)

Jamie Marshall (TN) Rachael McEnaney (UK/FL) Marilyn McNeal (FL) Guyton Mundy (FL) John Robinson (IN) Frank Trace (OH) Fred Whitehouse (Ireland) **NOTE:** Stacy tries to compile a complete list after every event and she posts them at the following links on the WLDN site. She would like to thank the people who help compile this list, listed below, and I would like to thank her for doing it for the events she does attend and doesn't attend:

DIRECT link to MAIN ballroom playlist: <u>http://worldlinedancenewsletter.com/stacyj/2015-fits-main.pdf</u> Karen Craiglow & Betsy Courant

DIRECT link to BEGINNER playlist: <u>http://worldlinedancenewsletter.com/stacyj/2015-fits-beg.pdf</u> Carol Paguette

USLDCC Choreography Competition

This competition is drawing to a close for its first year and how exciting it is!! There are some really amazing new choreographers who have gotten recognition through this competition and I can't wait for the FINALS AT THE TAMPA BAY LINE DANCE CLASSIC this year. The winner will be given a trip and a teaching spot at the WORLD DANCE MASTERS in England. How exciting is that? Are you getting your dances ready for next year if you haven't qualified in this year's event? I think it is just so awesome that the events sponsoring this are offering this to new-and-aspiring choreographers: Big Bang, The Marathon, The Boston Showdown, FITS, and Tampa Bay Line Dance Classic. Plan your events next year so you can participate in the qualifying rounds. The finals next year will be at The Big Bang, since the events rotate for the finals. Visit www.USLDCC.com for complete rules and how to qualify for the Championships scheduled for 2016. You can even get your friends to dance with you so you don't have to do it all alone. They don't win the trip and teaching spot, though, LOL, as well as some neat prizes given at each event along the way.

UCLDCC RESULTS FROM FUN IN THE SUN. Congratulations to the winners and to every, single person who entered. Check out the dances.

Newcomer / Novice

- 1st Cody Flowers / Big Girl, You are Beautiful
- 2nd Bradley Mather / Gimmie Gimmie
- 3rd Brenna Stith / You Make My Heart Go
- 4th Brenna Stith / The "C" Word
- 5th John Huffman / A Little Trouble

Intermediate / Advanced

- 1st Brenna Stith / Suffer
- 2nd Cody Flowers / Opposites Attract
- 3rd Trevor Thornton / Double D (Duck Dynasty)
- 4th Candee Seger & Betsy Courant / Lay Back and Let It Ride
- 5th John Huffman / I Don't Like It, I Love It

Phrased

- 1st Cody Flowers / Time of My Life
- 2nd Brandi Gross / Twist Emergency
- 3rd Trevor Thornton / No Vacancy
- 4th Brenna Stith / My Trashy Side
- 5th Bradley Mather / All Hands On Deck

KIDS CLASSES:

I love that Jen and Jason offer kids' classes at this event since this is a great vacation spot and there are children and grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other younger ones off for the summer vacation who came and took lessons from Guyton Mundy, Rachael McEnaney-White, Fred Whitehouse, and Maddy Glover. Now who wouldn't want your young person to learn some dances from that group? They were in the show on Saturday night and it was just such a joy to see them doing such a great job in front of that big crowd. Be sure and bring your young people next year. They have a pizza party while the adult banquet is going on and they get to swim in the pool all weekend and enjoy the activities. It's a great way to introduce them to line dancing so they can see what fun it can be. Be sure and look at the pictures that Shane took.

To order the videos from the event, contact Kelly Cavallaro: Go directly to my website <u>www.se7enarrowfilms.com</u> to order or they can contact Kelly at <u>se7enarrowfilms@gmail.com</u>. I've seen some of the videos and Kelly is doing a great job.

If you would like to order photos from the event (or see the ones you are in because he is taking photos the entire weekend) go to Shane's website <u>www.epicgearphotography.com</u> to order. He has all the pictures he took right on the website. He does a GREAT job so be sure and check out his photos. You can do your group pictures or individual pictures and he is at most events.

For Information about next year's event July 16-19, 2016, or any comments or questions, please contact Jennifer Cameron, and she wants your comments so take a moment to let her know what you liked or what you would like improved next time. If you don't let the directors know, they can't fix things or improve what you like.

JC Dance Productions, Inc. Line Dance Showdown (March 31 - April 3, 2016) Fun in the Sun (July 16-19, 2015) Tampa Bay Line Dance Classic (November 5-8, 2015) email <u>info@FloridaFunInSun.com</u>

THANK YOU SO MUCH, JEN AND JASON, for another year of FUN IN THE SUN! I had a great time, as I always do, and I think more and more people are coming to dance with us in Florida! SEE YOU NEXT SUMMER!!