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June 24, 2017 – Shindig in the Valley – Maggie Valley, NC Event Location: Stompin' Ground – 3116 Soco Road, Maggie Valley, NC 28751 Contact: Stefanie Grubbs Canady – 336-918-6269 – stefaniegrubbs@gmail.com

July 22, 2017 – Rally in the Valley – Staunton, VA Event Location: John Lewis Auditorium – 1200 N. Coalter Street, Staunton, VA 24401 Contact: Lisa Johnson - 540-471-0425 or Dorothy Stephenson – rhythmicalliancecloggers@gmail.com

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Workshops **March 2017**

Mar 25, 2017

Mason Dixon Spring

Stomp (W)

Westminster, MD

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April 2017

Apr 7-8, 2017

31st Annual Indian River

Cloggers POWWOW (W)

Merritt Island, FL

Inst: TBA

Kiwanas Island

Info: Sandy Smallwood

321-631-5104

Bob Howard

321-452-6757

indianrivercloggers.org

Apr 6-8, 2017

Nickel City Clogging

Festival (W)

Buffalo, NY

Inst: TBA

Adam's Mark Buffalo

Info: Hanna Healy

716-725-8415

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wnvca.com

Apr, 2017

Northeast Clogging

Convention and

Competition (W,C)

Hyannis, MA

Inst: TBA

Info: Beth Kendall

802-439-3349

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Apr 21-22, 2017

Northern California

Clogger's Association 34th

Annual Convention (W)

Sacremento, CA

Crowne Plaza Hotel

Info: Sarah Dwight-Gilroy

650-906-0994

loudfeetdancer@gmail.

com

www.ncca-inc.com

Mar 10-11, 2017 37th Annual TCC Rally (W) Waco, TX Waco Convention Center Inst: Blake Bartlett Dunn, Andy

Howard Info: texas-clogging.com

Mar 9-11, 2017 Smoky Mountain Encore (W,C,P) (CCA) Gatlinburg, TN Inst: TBA Gatlinburg Convention Center Info: Lynne Ogle 865-675-1185 ccalynne@aol.com smokymountainencore.com

Mar 10-12, 2017

28th Storm King Clog Camp (W) Sunshine Coast, Queensland Australia Info: Edith Sandy 07 5482 2306 sandye@spiderweb.com. au Jenny Neal 07 5482 1749 djneal2@hotmail.com

Mar 11, 2017 March Madness Clogging

Workshop & Dance (W) Danville, CA Danville Grange Info: Deann 408-745-7896 or Lois (510) 278-8621 Lois.Elling@pacbell.net

Mar 17-18, 2017 Possum Trot Clogging Workshop (W) Oxnard, CA Courtyard by Marriott Inst: Scotty Bilz, Jeff Driggs, Kellee Ramirez, Michele Hill possumtrotca.net

Mar 24-25, 2017

Illinois Prairie Clogging Association Workshop (W) Bloomington, IL Inst: Naomi Pyle, Trevor Dewitt Holiday Inn & Suites **Bloomington Airport** Info: http://illinoisclogging. com/

Apr 21-22, 2017 Clogging in the Natural State (W) Mountain Home, AR Ramada Inn Convention Hall

Info: arkansascloggingcouncil.com

Apr 28-29, 2017

Swing Into Spring Clogging Workshop (W) Lake Cumberland, KY Lake Cumberland State Park Inst: TBA Info: Trevor DeWitt 317-670-8934 trevor@clogdancing.com lakecumberlandworkshop.info

Apr 28-29, 2017 Clogging Association of Wisconsin Jamboree 33 (W) Oshkosh, WI Inst: Missy Shinoski, Sarah Zajicek Info: Jan Adams janadams@new.rr.com

Apr 29, 2017 NWCA Blast From the Past (W) Sequim, WA Inst: NWCA Instructors Info: Mike 503-620-8032 Mary 360-412-8142

May 2017 May 6-8, 2017

24th Annual Kootenay Spring Stomp (W) Creston, BC Canada Creston and Dist. Rec. Complex Inst: Barb Guenette Info: Susan Woods 250-417-7080

May 19-21, 2017 Triple C & SC Autumn Jamboree (W) New South Wales Australia Info: Leanne & Jason Nicholson 0408 429 270 & 0413 459 974 jandlnicholson1@gmail. com

May 26-28, 2017 World of Clogging Workshops and Dance Championships (W,C) Workshops 26th/27th Inst: Jeff Driggs, Naomi Pyle Sherry Cox, Gavin Cox, Trevor DeWitt, Morgan Hudson, Rob & Melissa Pack, Kenneth & Kelly Fithen, Jamie Vincent, Kavlee Thomas, Stephen Auten, Abby Simpson, Cristy Corwin-Howard, plus Jennifer Murton. Chris Phelps, Tina Curtis, Colleen Rudnicki, Barb Elko, Brian Dion, Jared Pullum, Billie Jo Burnette plus lottery winners Competition 27th/28th Cincinnati, OH Cincinnati Airport Marriott Workshop Info: Hanna Healv 716-725-8415 wnyca.pres@gmail.com Competition Info: Jeff Driggs 304-776-9571 worldofclogging@aol.com

Calendar of Clogging Events

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> May 26-29, 2017 Kick-Off Summer (W) Redmond, WA Inst: Anne Mills, Barb Guenette, Matt Ellinger, Todd Harry, Kay Velmire, Kathy O'Brien, Alberta Stamp, Tracy Turner Circle 8 Ranch Info: Anne Mills

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worldofclogging.com

June 2017

Jun 9-11, 2017 Aussie Clog (W) Brissbane, Queensland Australia Info: Olive Borovsky 07 3345 3066 oliveclogging@optusnet. com.au

Jun 16-18, 2017 ECTA Clog Convention (W) Reilingen Germany Info: ecta.de

Jun 21-24, 2017 66th National Square Dance Convention (W) Cincinnati, OH Inst: TBA Statehouse Convention Center http://www.http://66nsdc. com/

Jun 29-Jul 2, 2017 ECTA Clogging Convention (W) Rodgau Germany Inst: TBA Info: ecta.de

July 2017

Jul 8, 2017 Blossom Hill Festival Quarterly Workshop (W) Belmont, CA Info: ncca-inc.com

Jul 14-15, 2017 Double Toe Jam (W,P) Waco, TX Inst: Jeff Driggs, Barry Welch Waco Convention Center socalcloggers@gmail.com Info: info@doubletoejam.org doubletoejam.org

Jul 29-30, 2017 (C,W) Mississippi Clogging Extravaganza Brookhaven, MS Brookhaven Rec. Ctr. Info: Angie Miller 601-906-2882 angiehalemiller@gmail. com

msclogextravaganza.com

August 2017 Aug 8-10, 2017

ClogEd (W) Belgrave Heights, Victoria Australia Info: Jan Collins 1 300 780 017 secretary@cloggingaustralia.com

Aug 11-13, 2017 22nd Australian Clogging Association Convention (W) Melbourne, Victoria Australia Special Guest Inst: Jeff Driggs Info: Neville Flegg 0418 306 321 cloggingaustralia.com

Aug 11-12, 2017 Sunshine State Clogging Jamboree (W) Daytona Beach, FL Instructors: Naomi Pyle, Scotty Bilz, Chip Summey, Jeff Wood and more! Info: Jeff Wood 850-386-1263 wood@talstar.com Naomi Pyle 812-579-6979 Naomi_p@sbcglobal.net

Aug 11-13, 2017

22nd Australian Clogging Association National Clogging Convention (W) Melbourne, Victoria Australia Info: Neville Flegg 0418 306 321 nevflega@bigpond.com cloggingaustralia.com

Aug 25-27, 2017

The SoCal Shindig (W) Victorville, CA San Bernadino Fairgrounds Info: Crickett Kinser

September 2017 Sep 8-9, 2017

Florida Clogging Council State Convention (W) Lakeland, FL Inst: TBA Imperial Swan Hotel & Suites Info: http:// floridacloggingcouncil. weebly.com/

Sep 22-23, 2017 Fontana Clogging Jamboree (W,P)

Fontana Village, NC Inst: Jeff Driggs, Naomi Pyle, Scotty Bilz, Chip Summey & more TBA! Fontana Village Resort Info: Jeff Driggs 304-776-9571 ccajeff@aol.com Naomi Pyle 812-579-6979 Naomi_p@sbcglobal.net fontanaworkshop.com

Sep 29 - Oct 1, 2017

(W,C) Salt City Clogging Workshops & Competition Syracuse, NY Info: Hanna Healy 716-725-8415 wnyca.pres@gmail.com

October 2017

Oct 6-8, 2017 Clogtober (W) Adelaide, South Australia Australia Info: Irmgaard Huddy 0413 453 250 Linda 0419 822 811 cloggingaustralia.com

Oct 21, 2017 29th Annual OktoberCLOGfest (W) Scottsburg, IN Inst: Jeff Driggs, Trevor Dewitt and Naomi Pyle Lights Dance Barn Info: Naomi Pyle 812-343-3285 naomi_p@sbcglobal.net

November 2017

Nov 3-5, 2017 Sealion Stomp (W) Nanoose Bay, BC Canada Inst: Josh Russ & Lelia Hunsaker, Lynda Colantti, Barb Guenette, Janet Guise, Mike McDow, Alberta Stamp, Susan Woods Nanoose Hall Info: Larry or Barb Guenette 250-722-2953 bguenette@shaw.ca

Nov 4, 2017

Appalachian Stomp Clogging Workshop (W) Purcellville, VA Inst: Josh King, Kathy Moore, Jayne Treadwell, Mary Smith, Joyce Guthrie & more Carver Center Info: info@BRTC.us

Nov 10-12, 2017 Heeler's Hoedown (W) Millthorpe, New South Wales Australia Info: Shelby 0401 473 010 Helen 0427 549 036 cloggingaustralia.com

Nov 22-25, 2017 31st Annual C.L.O.G. National Clogging Convention (W) Thanksgiving Weekend Location TBA info: David & Susan Phillips 678-889-4355 clog@clog.org clog.org

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CAD = Cadence clogcadence.com

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Winter Clogging Invitational (C) (NCHC) Columbus, NC Polk County High School Info: Chip Summey Ncjcs@aol.com

Mar 31 - Apr 1, 2017 City Slicker Stomp Competition (C) (NCHC) Independence, MO Info: Missy Shinoski kloghop@sbcglobal.net www.CitySlickerStomp. Info

Mar 31 - Apr 1, 2017 Northeast Clogging Convention and Competition (W,C) (NCHC) Cape Cod, MA Info: Beth Kendall 802-439-3349 bkendall@tops-tele.com www.freewebs.com/necc

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Apr TBA, 2017 (C) (CCA) Midwest Matchup TBA Info: Joel Harrison 402-570-7958 capitalcitydanceshack@ gmail.com

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Apr 29, 2017 (C) (CCA) Cherokee Clogging Challenge Cherokee, NC Harrah's Casino and Resort Info: Matt Sexton 423-676-1305 mattsexton@silhouettes. com

May 2017 May 6-7, 2017

Dollywood Clogging Classic (C) (NCHC) Pigeon Forge, TN Info: David & Susan Phillips dccclog@gmail.com

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Jun 10, 2017 Bighorn Mountain Showdown (C) (NCHC) Buffalo, WY Info: Shanelle Hatch shanellhatch05@gmail

Jun 17, 2017 Grand Challenge of Champions (C) (NCHC) Branson, MO Info: David and Susan Phillips 678-889-4355 gnccclog@gmail.com gnccclog.webs.com

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Jun 24, 2017 Cherokee Clogging Challenge (C) (NCHC) Cherokee, NC Info: Matt & Kelly Sexton 423-282-5065 423-676-1305 DancExpCloggers@aol. com

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Wilson Country Fair Clogging Competition Lebanon, TN Wilson County Fairgrounds Info: Grace Pack 615-449-3821 gpack33@aol.com

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Is 2017 the year for your adult team to compete?

by Adam King and the

Yellow Rose Cloggers of Ohio

Stepping onto that competition stage takes guts! We praise the kiddos for being brave, but it takes just as much (or maybe more) courage to take that walk as an adult.

The Yellow Rose Cloggers of Ohio made their competition debut in 2016 with an adult team

ranging in age from late twenties to late sixties. They agreed to share their experience with the Double Toe Times:

How many team members had any type of dance competition experience?

Only two members had ever competed in clogging! Adam was taking the competition stage after a 13year hiatus. Chantal had competed more recently. Erin and Naomi did jazz and tap competition as teenagers. Naomi stated that even then, she mostly competed in solo or duet categories; she felt more pressure with a team routine because she would be letting everyone down if she didn't perform well. The two Lindas and Megan had absolutely no dance competition as a challenge to themselves and decide later.

The team watched videos of recent competitions to see how they might improve their current skills, and Adam noted that the game definitely changed during his absence. "All those hand moves teams do now...sheesh!"

After the usual warnings about the amount of work required, Yellow Rose agreed to take on a competition!

How did your practice schedule change?

Yellow Rose started learning a traditional line routine during regular team practices (Adam managed to avoid hand moves, I see!), but added extra rehearsals once the routine was fully taught. They sometimes practiced three times per week, using three different homes due to the studio only being available one day per week.

Since they were dancing in garages in some locations, the director toted a portable dance floor to keep everyone safe.

Dancers also practiced on their own,

especially once the clock started counting down...

How did you choose the category/music/ choreography/ costumes for your routine?

Naomi explained that they started with a traditional line for a couple reasons:

Yellow Rose felt they had the best chance to "hold their own" against younger



experience.

Rose reach

compete?

After the idea

lingered for a

couple years, they

finally decided to

everyone wanted

to take this step.

didn't commit either

way at first – they

agreed to learn the

competition routine

Some dancers

act upon it! Not

How did Yellow

the decision to

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www.doubletoe.com 7 dancers in that category, due to no hip-hop/arm choreography/toe stands/etc. allowed. Avoiding arm movements was especially preferred because multiple dancers had no jazz or tap experience.

Since they weren't sure how many team members would actually compete, it made sense to choose a category without formation changes. If somebody dropped out, it wouldn't mess up the whole group.

The team director chose music and choreographed the routine. He wanted music no one else would have, and listened to more than 30 songs before finding the right instrumental that "spoke" steps.

Shortly before competition, Yellow Rose filmed a practice and sent the video to team friend Scotty Bilz for feedback. It was painful to make changes so close to competition, but Scotty provided excellent suggestions. The fixes made it a stronger routine, and the team thanks Scotty for his input. Adam also credits team member Chantal, who had the most recent competition experience, for being a great resource to help prepare the team. Naomi handled costumes with blessings from the team. (She recommends Old Navy and Kohl's for finding cute, inexpensive clothing in a variety of sizes!) She ended up finding shirts on sale, and everyone met at Old Navy one afternoon to purchase jeans in the same wash/cut. (Check out the pics – they look adorable!)

How did you feel about the clogging competition experience?

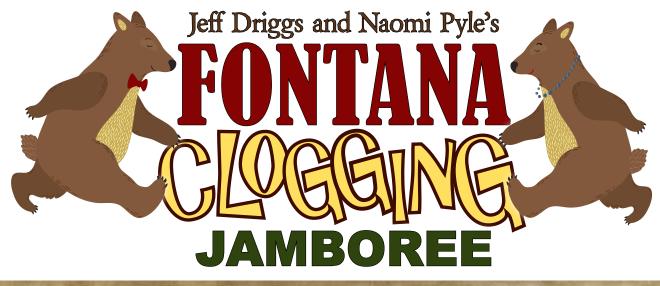
Megan said it was one of those bucket list items, and she had a good experience as a whole.

Several dancers commented that the team's level of dance has been raised, and the group awareness and showmanship now carries over into other routines and performances. The team is receiving compliments that they know are a direct result of competition prep.

What did you expect? What about the competition was different than your expectations?

One clogger was surprised to experience "mind blank" right before going on stage. After dancing it on the side one more time to be sure the routine was still there, it all came back once the





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music started. (I think all dancers can relate!)

"I expected it to push me as a clogger, and raise the level of my dancing, which it certainly did." (Way to go, Naomi!)

Chantal has a great attitude: "Every competition I've been to has been a little different, but I have the same expectation for all of them - to have fun!"

Multiple team members expressed disappointment over the lack of amateur adult teams. Yellow Rose was the sole competitor in their age division for traditional line.

Yellow Rose has participated in big shows, such as Vaud Villities. How did your competition experience compare?

Most responded to this question with a similar sentiment. I think Adam summed it up well:

"It's always harder performing for a room full of your dancing peers rather than an audience who thinks a basketball turn somehow should involve LeBron James. You want to do your best at both, of course, but I always want to do a little better in front of other cloggers."

How did you balance your schedules with work and personal time with finding time to prepare for a clogging competition?

Megan reports that some weeks it was difficult to balance the responsibilities of work, keeping

up with housework/ vardwork, the usual clogging activities and competition practice. She reports that her husband was a great support system during that time.

Chantal pointed out that there's always time for deskclogging at work!

Yellow Rose started off with one dance in the traditional line category. What other category would you most like to try and whv?

If the team competes again, they already have a standing line and an exhibition routine written! (The original plan was to take three routines to the first competition, but they later realized there wasn't time to get three numbers perfected on top of preparing for other shows and performances.)

Dancers also expressed interest in precision and artistic expression categories.

What do you feel is different about trying competition as an adult

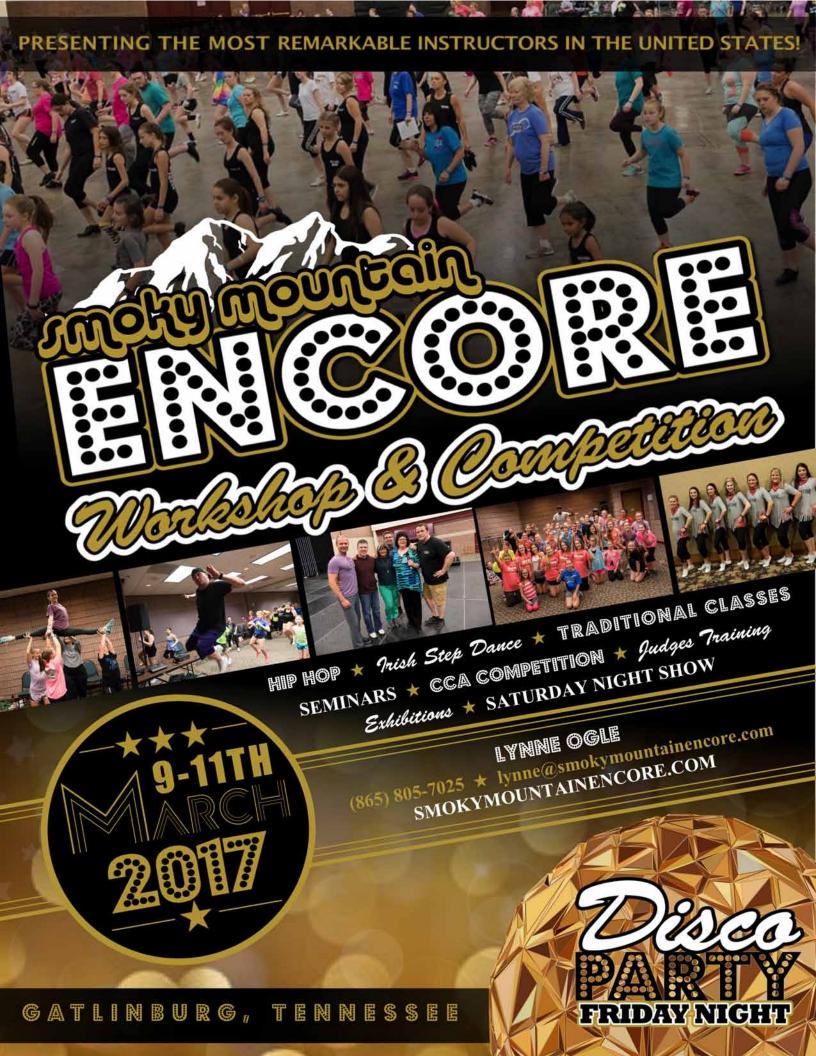
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dancer verses competition as a child?

Adam wants his stamina back! "All this bouncing at my age has me gasping for breath after a minute and 23 seconds. As a teen or 20-something I would have laughed at this version of me trying to compete... mainly because at my age I thought 30 was old. I knew nothing! Other than that, the things that were drilled into the younger me as a competitor are still with me as a more mature dancer."

Chantal made an excellent comparison: "Competition as an adult is a little like experiencing Christmas as an adult. You have

different goals and an overall expectation that is probably a little less grand. There are a lot fewer adult teams, so there is not as much competition, which is also very different. I had fun with both experiences. but I do miss competitions from my childhood."

Any unusual or humorous experiences at the competition?

Yellow Rose wasn't sure how many trophies they could earn with one

routine. They ended up winning both their age division and grand champion adult traditional line. These awards were handheld trophies. Then, they were named grand champion amateur adult team and suddenly had a five-foot-plus trophy to get home! Luckily, it fit right between the seats of Adam's car.

Do you have any advice for other adult teams considering competition for the first time?

Have a team meeting with a very open and honest discussion of ground rules and expectations, making sure everyone understands what competition entails. This should include a conversation about what each dancer wants to get out of the experience, what level of "perfection" does the team hope to attain, why does everyone want to compete.

Determine the level of dancer you're willing to accept on the competition team, make sure the dancers have the tools to be prepared.

Set milestones for having things learned.

Be willing to accept constructive criticism from your teammates, not just the director.

exciting, but it's also stressful. Remember. at the end of the day, you're a family! Thanks for the competition tips, Yellow **Rose Cloggers** of Ohio! Congrats on a fantastic competition debut! Whether vou are performing on the competition stage, festival stage, or a theater stage, we look forward to

Getting ready for

a competition is

seeing what you do in the coming year!

To the other amateur adult teams out there: Clogging competition requires hard work, but can lead to improved performance all year long. Is THIS the year you give competition a try?

Want to know more about Yellow Rose Cloggers of Ohio? Check out their YouTube channel for great video teaches or look them up on Facebook!





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With exceprts from an article by Rorye Hatcher, Daily Reporter

The Hearts Ablaze Cloggers of Indiana have been winning competitions and representing clogging in the MidWest for many years, but now a new group of dancers -- led by Hearts Ablaze member Carlie Dahlquist – are inspiring others and winning hearts with their fast moving feet and boundless energy.

Luminosity dance team, comprised of about 30 adults with intellectual disabilities, participates in clogging lessons at the Hearts Ablaze Clogging Studio near New Palestine through the efforts of Dahlquist, a senior at Greenfield-Central High School and one of the dance troupe's most experienced cloggers.

Dahlquist, 17, has been a member of the Hearts Ablaze Cloggers for more than a decade and saw the group as a way of giving back to the activity that has been such a big part of her life. She organizes and teaches the clogging classes and also has raised more than \$600 to cover the

Carlie Dahlquist with one of the big trophies she has won as a solo competitor. Carlie Dahlquist and Ellie Roudebush teach the Luminosity team during a practice session Photo by Tom Russo Daily Reporter



cost of glue-on taps and matching T-shirts for the group. Her eager cloggers enjoy the workshops

at no cost, making the program a real gift of love from this bighearted teenager.

The group performs with the Hearts Ablaze Cloggers at events like October's Riley Festival, and audiences are quick to respond to the team.

In an article that appeared in the local newspaper the Daily Reporter, Dahlquist said the idea to offer free workshops came after a positive experience working in her high school's peer-tutoring program, a class that partners students with and without disabilities.

"The people in my peer-tutoring class all had such good outlooks on life," she said. "They don't let their disability keep them from being happy and spreading their



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joy."

Dahlquist teaches the clogging lessons alongside Ellie Roudebush, a junior at New Palestine High School. The teens have been dancing together most of their youth and were part of a group that took home the top prize in the 2016 Indiana State Fair talent contest.

Roudebush recalls when her friend Carlie came to her with the idea of sharing clogging with people who might not otherwise have the chance to learn the heritage-rich dance form.

"I said, 'That's like the best idea ever,'" Roudebush remembered.

With her quest formulated in her mind and heart, Dahlquist began reaching out to local organizations that serve people with disabilities,

led her to Sara Tucker, residential director at Developmental Service Alternatives Inc., which owns and runs 16 group homes for adults with developmental disabilities in central Indiana. Tucker enthusiastically approved of the idea for a clogging class, she said. She tries to organize low-cost or free activities for her residents every day, and Dahlquist's idea was a perfect fit, she said.

Offering the classes was only one part of Dahlquist's plan. With the funds she raised, she

began purchasing glue-on taps and inexpensive athletic shoes for every participant. Clogging shoes can be quite expensive, so area businesses pitched in to help with footwear so that the dancer's feet would click and click just like the Hearts Ablaze Cloggers.

The classes brought together students on all ages and with different abilities and challenges, but Dalquist and Roudebush happily adapted their teaching plan to the dancer's

needs to ensure that everyone could participate.

One participant, for example, is deaf, so her instructors write notes back and forth with her and invite her to watch their feet while they



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demonstrate a dance, Dahlquist said.

At a recent practice for the group on Hearts Ablaze Cloggers director Cristy Corwin-Howard's farm, which doubles as headquarters for the troupe, the dancers practiced the routine to "Everybody Dance Now" by C+C Music Factory.

Chris Gillard, one of members of the group, loves nothing better than moving to the beat. He's clogged before, he said, and enjoys the energetic movements. The most exciting part about this performance is that he has a solo, he said.

Dahlquist's parents are proud of the difference she's making in the lives of her students.

"It's incredible, it's so much fun to watch," said her father, Chris Dahlquist, sitting alongside her mother, Tera Dahlquist, and Corwin-Howard at the practice session.

For Dahlquist's parents, who have watched as their daughter developed as a dancer and competition champion, seeing her accomplishments in raising the money to fund the group is their proudest moment.

> For Carlie, herself, the new and genuine friendships she has developed with this very special group of dancers is most rewarding part.

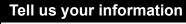
"I always look forward to Luminosity practice," she said. "Everyone has great attitudes and wants to be here having fun together."

Hearts Ablaze catches some air during a performance at the CCA Showdown of Champions

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What Happened to Clogging?

A long time clogger shares his thoughts on the changes to clog dancing since the 1980s

By Allen Cooke Charlotte, North Carolina

I was active in the clogging scene until mid 1982. I was away from it for over a decade and got back involved again in 1994. I went to a clogging workshop in Durham, North Carolina during the spring of 1994 to see what was going on. To say I was shocked is an understatement. I had been a clogging teacher and director of a successful team in the late 1970s and early 1980s, and now I was having trouble learning a reinvented basic step. Had they gone out in left field and jumped over the fence?

I was witness to some of the things that gave rise to modern clogging. I was absent during others, but have seen enough to be able to describe the process. Clogging was becoming increasingly popular outside the southeastern United States by 1980. The Daniel Boone Cloggers had done workshops in Utah, and skillful teams from distances further and further away were coming to the competition at Fontana (Fontana Village Resort in North Carolina). Bill Nichols, one of the pillars of traditional clogging, made a statement to the effect that the dance needed to be standardized or it would be changed with the avalanche of interest being directed toward it. The Green Grass Cloggers



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had lit a firestorm of interest in clogging during the 1970s and even Jimmy Carter's daughter, Amy, was a member of a clogging team. The Grandfather Mountain Cloggers danced on a float in Washington, DC during the inauguration of President Carter.

One of the problems that clogging faced was the paradoxical situation that men of this generation, in large part, never figured out that it is fun to dance with women. So groups would form with many more ladies than gents. Line dances started becoming popular as the girls decided to dance without the stubborn men who would rather injure themselves in various sporting activities. Here is an aside regarding fitness. After I had clogged for 5 years, I went to Tennessee and played full court basketball with fellow employees of the company where I worked. I could run up and down the court all evening, hardly breaking a sweat, while everyone else was heaving and panting. So clogging is one of the best aerobic exercises there is and can put a person in the best physical condition attainable. So the ladies started line dancing, and notable teams arose like the all-female Moonshine Cloggers from Oak Ridge, Tennessee, who were very skillful and popular and later appeared on the Hee Haw TV program.

Dennis Abe, the promoter of the Festival of Champions at Fontana, which was the World Championship competition, also held a Clog College each year in the spring. He expected the top teams to have their directors come in and teach. I recall in 1981 how one of the instructors, whose name I do not recall, was essentially a tap dancer who was introducing the a cappella "syncopated steps." This was the new fad which you had to use if you

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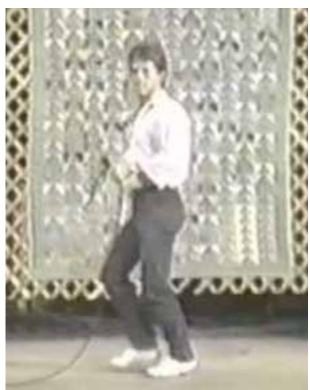
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expected to do well in competition. I looked at it and the first thing that came to my mind was, "this doesn't go with the music," which is why they turned it off. It was an embellishment to bring out the sound of the footwork. That's OK with me if the moves were from the clogging style, but they weren't. I have video that I made at the 1981 Clog College showing this instruction. I haven't gotten it converted to digital yet, but when I do, I will post it on You Tube and put a link here. I am sure many modern cloggers are familiar with a cappella dancing and may find this of historical interest.

Another thing that came about at this time was the increased opportunities for talented clogging teams to perform in theme parks and other high profile venues including television. These programs demanded more highly choreographed «show routines» than the typical clogging team routine that reflected the «barn dance» tradition. So the Festival of Champions introduced a "Show Routine" category in their competition in order to help develop talent in this direction, and help prepare cloggers for a more professional, polished presentation through an exchange of ideas at the Festival of Champions events. I doubt that the organizers anticipated that the very nature of the basic clogging step would undergo a major renovation in the process. But more and more, what audiences experienced when they saw clogging teams was no longer a traditional style routine, but a choreographed show routine that featured mostly line dances with minimal partner interaction, largely due to the absence of men dancers.

What occurred to begin the reinvention of the basic clogging step happened in 1980, and was the phenomenon of Burton Edwards. Burton's dad, Kyle Edwards, I believe was the son of one of the Soco Gap Dancers, if I have it right. They maintained that Sam Queen

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and others of the Soco Gap Dancers were very light on their feet, often on the ball of the foot, rather than lumbering around flatfooted. Burton introduced a step that was referred to as the "pitter patter step" and it was really a captivating step that caught the attention of judges and audience alike. I also have video of Burton's team, the Carolina Cut-Ups, at 1981 Clog College where he was doing his trademark step, and will post it when I get it converted to digital. In this step and others that he devised that followed, the heel is put down in the middle of the beat, often when the toe would go down. I did not attend any more Festival of Champions events after Clog College in 1981, so I did not see Burton Edwards win the Male World Championship three times. The clogging world at Fontana gave him a near unanimous vote of approval, and everyone wanted to learn how to do his steps. Meanwhile Kyle Edwards built the Stomping Ground in Maggie Valley, NC, their home town, which became the epicenter of the new style of clogging.

I did not see what unfolded as it unfolded, but the dance changed completely over



a decade or so. When I returned to Charlotte in 1994 I visited Jean Stephenson of Catawba, SC, who was a friend from the earlier years and an expert dancer. She was telling me about the changes and said she had the hardest time until she figured out that you have to stop bending your knees. I thought to myself, "That's when they stopped clogging!" They were trying to triple and quadruple time the steps, so they had to slow down the music to do that. In my opinion, the dance no longer accented or went with the music very well.

Then in the mid 1990s the Riverdance phenomenon arrived and became the latest fad to take over clogging. Riverdance seemed to put clogging on the defensive. I believe some of the charm of clogging lies in the fact that it developed in isolated communities where a distant memory of step dances existed. The formality of the step dance had been lost and something new was created with the indigenous music and other influences such as Native American and American Negro tap dance. Modern cloggers did not need to prove that 8 taps could be sounded per beat of music.

When I had the opportunity to dance in Ireland with Bryan Craddock's Hemlock Bluff Cloggers from Raleigh, NC, in 1994, before the Riverdance invasion, I felt that the Irish genuinely enjoyed clog dancing for what it was. Something I learned from watching and listening to the Father of Bluegrass Music, Bill Monroe, was that beauty often lies in simplicity. Many bluegrass band members tried to put too much into their music, even competing with each other, and produced noise while Bill Monroe's music was crystal clear and like a breath of fresh air. Likewise, the classical clog step that had developed to a state of perfection by the time of the Daniel Boone Cloggers, was crystal clear and very stylistic, though simple in terms of mechanics. The best cloggers were not the ones with the most complex steps, but the ones with the best style. Smoothness was the name of the game.

After the invasion of the Irish, the clogging community became captivated by the Canadian step dance and had to include that as well, even though it is contrary to the basics of clogging. Later it was the hip hop fad, which is still popular today. The modern cloggers generally do not like bluegrass music, and much less old-time. I do not fault them for creating what they created. They are having fun, and that's what it is all about. I just wish we could call it something else, because traditional clogging has a rich heritage and is a beautiful dance in its own right. Clogging always had a slightly syncopated rhythm that sounded good with the music. The music was usually played fairly fast, from 135 – 160 beats per minute. Now, in order to get so many taps into a single beat of music, they have had to slow it down considerably. It no longer has what I refer to as a "clogging rhythm." I recently watched the National Champion clogging team for 2011 dancing at 118 beats per minute. That is slow music. Here is a link to that performance:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vlvCUT1btvY&f eature=related

In effect, what Burton Edwards did was to invent a hybrid clogging-buck dance step that had mostly the features of the buck dance style, namely keeping weight on the ball of the foot, less knee bending, and taps sounded out often to match the melody of the music, while finding a way to include the double toe, which has subsequently been double timed. Since his innovations, the clog dance underwent numerous changes by including elements of Irish and Canadian step dance as well as hip hop. As time went on, they included more and more taps per beat whether they existed in the music or not. Modern clogging bears virtually no resemblance to the original form of clogging. Burton's step preserved essentially only one element of clogging, the double toe. I recall reading a comment on YouTube about the clogging team in Bascom Lamar Lunsford's living room that I mentioned previously. The comment stated that they were not clogging at all, but flatfooting. In my opinion, that team had the most extreme clogging step I have ever seen and now people do not recognize it and are saying that they are not clogging, whereas modern "cloggers," whose step has virtually nothing to do with clogging, are in fact "true cloggers!" Competition brought about an acceptance of the new style since it gives individuals more latitude to show off fancier steps. But in my opinion, a team using the traditional clog step is more harmonious and can dance to more exciting, faster music. My suggestion is to call this dance "American Step Dance," and let clogging reclaim its rich heritage.

About the Writer

Allen Cooke describes what influences shaped his clogging style in an article in his online blog:

http://cookesclogdancing.blogspot.com/

In his own words:

My own style was influenced largely from two teams, the Avery County High School Cloggers, for their general style, and the Daniel Boone Cloggers, for their style and especially for their speed. Both of these teams are from the high mountain country of the Appalachian Mountains in northwestern North Carolina, an area largely settled by Scottish immigrants. I think the Scottish influence is present in the style of the teams from this area, particularly another team from the area called the Grandfather Mountain Cloggers. These three teams made up the nucleus of an awesome scene of clogging in the 1970s. I would say too, that my style was influenced by the Green Grass Cloggers, in that I liked their high stepping and kicks, as well as their choreography. Kay Wilkins, the director of the Avery County High School Cloggers, told me that she saw the Green Grass Cloggers and liked their high kicks too, and adapted some for her routines. Her style was less syncopated than those of the Green Grass Cloggers, and I pretty much followed the same style.

I have always been proud to tell people that early in my clogging career, up in Virginia at Ralph Stanley's bluegrass festival in Dickenson County while dancing around in the grass all weekend, an old-timer told me that I reminded him of the way some people danced many years before. This was many years ago, in 1977. So I never wanted to change my style of dance much.



Editor's note: I appreciate Allen letting us share this post from his blog in the Double Toe Times.

I began clogging in the late 1970s and saw the changes in the style of clog dancing as they developed. I agree that the modern style of clogging has changed so drastically from the drag slide Appalachian style that is has become a hybrid step dance style.

What are your thoughts?

Let us know by emaling us at doubletoetimes@aol.com.

We would love to continue this discussion about the evolution of the modern clogging style in a future issue, and how we honor and preserve the traditional styles of clogging .

CLOGGING CABIN FEVER Ohio clogger shares ideas on making the most of your clogging workshop experience!

by Sheila Jo Spencer Fancy Free Cloggers, Ohio

Clogging workshops are great! You get to learn new routines, dance until your legs are killing you (and then dance some more), meet cloggers from other areas, and purchase a snazzy new clogging tee shirt or a pair of dance shoes!

My first workshop for 2017 was Cabin Fever, hosted by Buckeye Country Cloggers! This workshop relocated a short distance to Mansfield, OH for a bit more space

after packing the school gym in

Bellville, OH last year. Not sure where it will be next year after filling this new venue, too!

Thanks to the organizers, instructors (Jeff Driggs, Brian Dion, Adam King, Jason Pflugh and Jared Pullum), and participants for a fun day of



clogging!

The workshop was about 140 miles from my house, so I opted to drive up the night before.

Dinner was the first adventure. I joined two teammates at the hotel restaurant.

During our meal, we heard the faint but unmistakable sound of clogging taps. Customers at another table were playing a video on someone's phone. Cloggers! They were a friendly bunch from West Virginia.

There is no nearby Starbucks at home, and this clogger loves

some salted caramel mocha! After getting the day off to a good, caffeinated start, I set my gps to the workshop address.

Don't ya love it when your gps gets confused?! I saw the Main Street exit and thought it might



be the one, but gps said to keep driving. The gps changed its mind immediately after passing the exit and instructed me to make a u-turn! Grr... Other workshop attendees had a similar experience, but the location was easy to find once I got on the correct road!

I donned clogging shoes and joined my fellow cloggers on the dance floor. It was the first clogging workshop ever for my teammates Hollie and Joel!

Gotta hand it to Bob, who runs beginner class at FFC studio! He just introduced the joey, hard step, and slurs during the past couple classes. These steps were put to use in the first couple teaches! I was glad our newer cloggers were at least familiar with these steps. Thanks, Bob! (In honor of Jason Pflugh's sister, the joey is instead spelled "joie" on his cuesheets, but the step remains the same, ha-ha!)

Workshops provide a wonderful opportunity to connect with friends!

My team director, Evie Poe, is a social butterfly at these events!



it at dance class this week, and I suppose he earned it by doing his signature push ups at the event!.

He did share

Prizes were presented at the event to the youngest clogger, oldest clogger, and most

distance traveled to attend. The woman who won oldest registered dancer is adorable and I want to be like her when I grow up!

We snagged a picture with Adam King after his teach - our team member Hollie said his was the hardest dance class she's ever taken! She and

Joel did us proud at their first workshop! (We're trying to talk them into attending Smoky Mountain Encore next!)

Following the workshops, there was an exhibition show and fun dance.

The host team of the Cabin Fever Workshop, the Buckeye Country Cloggers, dedicated the



Photo: Fancy Free Cloggers director Evie Poe with Trevor DeWitt, Jeff Driggs and Naomi Pyle

The Fancy Free Cloggers received a plaque, a giant custom card, and a cake as congrats on our America's Got Talemt audition! We appreciate the love from our fellow cloggers! The plaque and card are now prominently displayed in the studio - thanks!

Wondering about the cake? Jim Kimmerly, our

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workshop to the memory of their founders, Paul and Ruth Williams. I think you made them proud! Thanks for your hard work to create this fun event! Thank you to instructors Jeff Driggs, Jason Pflugh, Jared Pullum, Brian Dion, and Adam King for the teaches! Thank you to all the cloggers who particpated and made this event a success!

Because some of the team members attending had never been to a clogging workshop before, while thinking about a few helpful tips to prepare them for the event, I ended up with a whole list of workshop advice!

1. Be ready for a busy day

Get a good night's sleep, sing along to some peppy music on the drive to the workshop, drink some fancy coffee - whatever you need to do to get going in the morning!

2. Wear comfortable clothes

You will be sweaty and gross all day. Dress accordingly. Bring a sweatshirt or long-sleeved shirt for the lunch break or other times when you may cool down quickly.

3. Take classes from as many instructors as possible

Sure, most of us have our favorites. Go ahead and take some classes from those instructors, but take a chance on someone new, too - you may find another favorite!

This doesn't apply as much to the small workshops, which may offer only one teach at a time, but it can be a big help when choosing classes at a larger workshop. (I'm not the only one who looks at a schedule and doesn't know most of the music, right?) Sometimes, I'll be able to eliminate a class right away because the lyrics are not appropriate for the types of shows we do. Sometimes, I will discover a new tune that I can't wait to dance to!

5. Challenge yourself

Take at least one class that is your humbling experience for the day. It's okay if you can't keep up for the whole dance; if you walk away with one new step or technique, it's a win. If you normally stay in beginner classes, try at least one intermediate. Intermediate dancers, try an advanced class. Advanced dancers, you can still learn a thing or two!

6. Talk to folks

Strike up a conversation with that person tying her shoes beside you. Make a new friend! I have a workshop friend I see a couple times each year; we have a standing agreement to partner up for the turns/hoedown/partner dance classes if we don't have a teammate in the class. (See you at Encore, Michelle!)

7. Prepare for pain

Some of us are no longer spring chickens. When



4. Listen to the music in advance

attending a two-day workshop, pack whatever supplies are needed to recover from day one: heating pad, Epsom salts, foam roller, etc.

8. Go to the fun dance

Who cares if you know the dances or not?! Find a spot on the dance floor and follow somebody! Back-row those dances all you want! Learn some crazy new variation of a step!

9. Hand out some compliments

Did you have a favorite dance or instructor? Let that person know! Was there a special feature about the workshop that you loved? Share that with the person in charge! It takes work to organize and run these events. Let those hard-working people know that their efforts are appreciated!

10. Take something home

Find time to teach something from the workshop to your teammates. It will help you learn the material better, and give the whole team something new to perform.

What advice would you give to a first-time workshop attendee? What workshops will you be attending this year?

http://sheilajospencer.com/blog

From the Buckeye Country Cloggers: It is always a big honor when fellow

instructors support and attend their peers clogging events. The Buckeye Country Cloggers were truly surprised and thrilled when (in addition to so many instructors, dancers and teams from around the region) national clogging instructors Naomi Pyle and Trevor DeWitt showed up at the event to dance alongside everyone and add to the fun!

Left: Cabin Fever Instructors (left to right) Jason Pflugh, Brian Dion, Jared Pullum, Adam King and Jeff Driggs

Top Right: Naomi's niece Carnel Ballard McFarland' and her daughters Rachel and Anna attended the event from their home in Pennsylvania. Rachel was honored as the youngest dancer at the Cabin Fever Workshop.

Members of the Mountain Rhythm Cloggers from West Virginia brought their adult and teen teams and entertained the workshop-goers with two exhibitions.

Ohio Cloggers showed up in force to enjoy the Cabin Fever Clogging Workshop. There were also dancers from Indiana, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia.





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COUNT ON ME Page 2 Janice Hanzel

REPEAT A 2 Side Rocks - 2 Gallops - 2 Heel Gallops - Patter Chains REPEAT B 2 Cross Touches - 1 Side Rock - 2 Cross Touches - 1 Side Rock REPEAT C 1 Brush & Turn - 1 Joey - 1 Stomp Double - 2 Basics -- repeat REPEAT D 2 Clogover Vines BREAK 1 Triple Brush DS - DS - DS - Br Sl (4) (4)1 Rock Back B 2-DS | HB HB HB +1 + a2 + a3 + a4 (8)2 Double Rock 2/ Fancy Double DS HB HB +1 +2 + a3 a4 REPEAT C 1 Brush & Turn - 1 Joey - 1 Stomp Double - 2 Basics -- repeat REPEAT D 2 Clogover Vines END (1)1 STEP

BUCK TERMINOLOGY

 $\begin{array}{l} T = \mbox{Toe}, \mbox{ tip of shoe}, \mbox{ takes no weight, foot placement is behind or back} \\ H = \mbox{Heel Touch, takes no weight, foot placement is in front or out to the side} \\ Ba = \mbox{Ball, indicates weight change} \\ S = \mbox{Step, indicates weight change} \end{array}$

HS = HB

Tap Steps = TB

Play with the steps - get comfortable with doing Tap Step then change to TB (Toe-Ball), or try Heel Touch Step then change to Heel-Ball. No matter what - you have to keep practicing. Have fun trying - it may not happen as quickly as you want -- Remember to breathe- don't hold your breath, relax, bend your knees.

Abbreviations

DS - Double Toe Step Rk - Rock HTch - Heel Touch S/St - Step Hw - take weight on Heel HS - Heel Step/Heel Touch Step same foot DB - Double Ball HB - Heel Ball Ba/B - Ball Br - Brush SI - Slide TB - Toe Ball Sto - Stomp

(xf/xif) - Cross In Front (b) - Back (s) - side (xib/xb) - Cross in Back

Make You Mine

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Artist: High Valley Album: Make you Mine-Single Intermediate: Country

Wait 16 Beats

Part A

DS Drag-S (xif) DS(ots) Loop-S(xib) (turn ¼ right)	Drag & Loop
L L R L R R RS(pull forward) S DS RS	Rock Pull
LR LR LR DS Kick(½ left)-SL RS Kick-SL(turn ¼ left)	Pivot Rock
L R L R L R DS Br-up R-Heel RS	Rocking Heel
R L L-R LR &5 & 6 & 7 & 8	
Repeat to face front	
Part BDS DS DS (moving diagonal left) Br-up TCH(xif) TCH(ots) DS RSL R LR R R R LRDbl- up Dbl -down Dbl-up Dbl -down	Triple Brush & Touch 2 Flea Flickers
L L R R DS DS RS RS	Fancy Double
I R LR LR ***Repeat moving diagonally right***	
ChorusDSDS(xif)DS(xib)R(ots)S(xif)Dbl Heel-ClickSRSLRLRLBothRLR&1&2&3&4&5&a6&7&8	Hallelujah
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	Only Wanna
DS Tch(front) Toe-Heel RS R L L L RL ***Repeat to face front***	Charleston
DS Tch(xif) DS Tch(xif) L R R L	2 Front Touches
Break DS DS(xif) Drag-S Drag-S Rock-Heel(turn ½ right) S DS RS L R R L L R L R L R L R L R ***Repeat to face front***	Samantha

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<u>Part A</u>

<u>Chorus</u>

Bridge

DS DS(xif) Dbl Twist-Twist Lift(turn ¼ right) L R L Both – both R DS DS DS RS R L R LR DS DS RS Brush-Up(turn ¼ right) L R LR L Stomp Dbl-up DS RS L R R LR ***Repeat to face front***

<u>Chorus*</u>

Hallelujah Only Wanna **turn** ¾ left Charleston ***Repeat to face back*** 2 Front Touches

Chorus**

Hallelujah Only Wanna turn ¾ left Charleston ***Repeat to face front*** 2 Front Touches *Fancy Double *Double Basic & Kick

Part B

Triple Brush & Touch 2 Flea Flickers & Fancy Double ***Repeat moving diagonally right***

**Double Basic & Kick

Bridge*

Triple Twist(turn ¼ right) Triple Double Basic & Kick *no turn* Mountain Basic ***Repeat 2 times*** Triple Twist(turn ¼ right) Triple Step Triple Twist

Triple

Double Basic & Kick

Mountain Basic

Baby Let's Lay Down and Dance

Intermediate Clogging Routine Music: Baby Let's Lay Down and Dance by Garth Brooks Choreo: Brian Dion, Buckeye Country Cloggers of Ohio

Left Foot Lead, Wait 16 beats

Intro x 2

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Repeat to face front

Part A

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&1	£	2	&	3	&	4	&	5				6	&7	&	8

Repeat all above to face front

DS	DS	R	s	R	S	S(OTL)	S (OTR)	S(OTL)	S (OTR)
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&1	&2	&	3	&	4	5	6	7	8

Repeat Intro x 1

Repeat Part A

Repeat Intro x 1

Part B

Repeat to face the front

Repeat Part A

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Left Foot Lead, Wait 16 Beats

Intro x 2

Syncopate, Triple Turn turn 1/2 right on triple

Syncopate, Triple Turn

Part A

2 Doubles Vine and a Basic moving left just like "Mamma Mia"

Joey, Rock Pivot

2 Doubles Vine and a Basic Joey, Rock Pivot

Fancy Double FWD, Walk N Sway back FWD on FD, Back up on 4 steps stepping ots and sway arms

Intro x 1 Syncopate, Triple DON'T Turn

Part A

2 Doubles Vine and a Basic Joey, Rock Pivot 2 Doubles Vine and a Basic Joey, Rock Pivot Fancy Double FWD, Walk N Sway back

Intro x 1 Syncopate, Triple DON'T Turn

Part B

Cowboy Turn 1/2 Turn to face back & back up

Rock Pulls Forward, 4 Shuffles Shuffles L R L R

Cowboy Turn 1/2 Rock Pulls Forward, 4 Shuffles

Part A

2 Doubles Vine and a Basic Joey, Rock Pivot 2 Doubles Vine and a Basic Joey, Rock Pivot Fancy Double FWD, Walk N Sway back

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Baby Let's Lay Down and Dance

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Part C Part C DS/KICK S(XIB) S S(XIF) S(OTS) Nylenda and Step LR moving left LR R L &a 1 2 & 3 4 H(IN) TOE (OUT) H(IN) TOE (OUT) H(IN) TOE (OUT) H(IN) TOE (OUT) Applejack L R R L \mathbf{L} R R L Or swivel heels L R L R 1 2 3 4 Airplane 3/4, Triple DS R S R S R S R S (turning 3/4 left) DS DS DS R S Or swivel heels L R L R L RLRLRL RLRLR &1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &5 &6 &7 & 8 Repeat to face all four walls Nylenda and Step, Applejack Airplane 3/4, Triple Nylenda and Step, Applejack Airplane 3/4, Triple Nylenda and Step, Applejack Airplane 3/4, STOP (with a stomp) Note last step! **Repeat Part B** Part B Cowboy Turn 1/2 **Rock Pulls Forward, 4 Shuffles** Cowboy Turn 1/2 **Rock Pulls Forward, 4 Shuffles Repeat Part A** Part A 2 Doubles Vine and a Basic Joey, Rock Pivot 2 Doubles Vine and a Basic Joey, Rock Pivot Fancy Double FWD, Walk N Sway back **Repeat Intro x 1** Intro x 1 Syncopate, Triple DON'T Turn Ending Ending Fancy Double FWD, Walk N Sway back

Faith

Easy Fast Clogging Routine Music: Faith by Stevie Wonder (featuring Ariana Grande) Choreo: Jeff Driggs, P. O. Box 1352, St. Albans, WV 25177-1352 (304)776-7591 www.doubletoe.com

Left Foot Lead, Wait 16 beats

Part A

DS DR S(XIF) DS LOOP S(XIB) DS LOOP S(XIB) DS R S LR R LR R LRL LRR &1 & 2 2 23 4 &5 & 6 &7 & 8 RIGHT KNEE IN OUT IN OUT STOMP DS DS R S RR R R R LRLR 3 5 &6 &7 & 8 1 2 4

Repeat all above to face front

Part B

DS DS DS BR SL DS DS DS R S L R L R L R L R L R &1 &2 &3 & 4 & &5 &6 &7 & 8

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Repeat Part A

Part B

Left Foot Lead, Wait 16 Beats

Part A

Kentucky Drag 2 Loops moving left

Elvis Knee, Stomp Double Turn turn 1/2 right Stomp Double

Kentucky Drag 2 Loops Elvis Knee, Stomp Double Turn

Part B

Triple Brush Forward, Triple Back

4 Basics Turning 360 Left

Part C

Rocking Chair, Fancy Double Hands up on Brush

Jump Back N Clap, Fancy Double Right hand snap in air on bumps

Chain Rock, 2 Basics

Chain Rock, 2 Basics

You! Hallelujah! Pray! (Faith) Jazz Square, March, Step Touches Point on Jazz, Hands sway over head on march, pray steps back

Part A

Kentucky Drag 2 Loops Elvis Knee, Stomp Double Turn Kentucky Drag 2 Loops Elvis Knee, Stomp Double Turn

Part B

Triple Brush Forward, Triple Back 4 Basics Turning 360 Left

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Repeat Part C

Repeat Part B

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Repeat to face all four walls

Break

S S(XIF) S S S S S S S L R L R L R L R 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Repeat Part C

Modified Part C

 S S(XIF)
 S S
 S S S S
 S (B)
 TCH S(B)
 TCH S(B)

Spread Feet Hands out 1 beat then Pray on FAITH!! Then hands up and circle out waving fingers

Part C

Rocking Chair, Fancy Double Jump Back Clap, Fancy Double Chain Rock, 2 Basics Chain Rock, 2 Basics Jazz Square, March, Step Touches

Part B

Triple Brush Forward, Triple Back

4 Basics Turning 360 Left

Part D

Clogover Vine moving left

Airplane 3/4 Left, 2 Basics turn 3/4 right

Clogover Vine

Airplane 3/4 Left, 2 Basics Clogover Vine Airplane 3/4 Left, 2 Basics Clogover Vine Airplane 3/4 Left, 2 Basics

Break... You!

Jazz Square, March Point on Jazz, Hands sway over head on march

Part C

Rocking Chair, Fancy Double Jump Back Clap, Fancy Double Chain Rock, 2 Basics Chain Rock, 2 Basics Jazz Square, March, Step Touches

Modified Part C

Rocking Chair, Fancy Double Jump Back Clap, Fancy Double Chain Rock, 2 Basics Chain Rock, 2 Basics Jazz Square (You!) March (Hallelujah) Jazz Square (You!) March (Hallelujah) Jazz Square (You!) March (Hallelujah)

PRAY!

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Advanced Level

1999 by Prince (45620792)

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Order of Dance: wait 32 ABC BCA BCC

Part A - (intro - turn 3/4 left on each bounce) (next time turn 1/2 on each bounce)

4 Step Touch Turn - step touch step touch step touch bounce hop bounce

Part B -

Strong hop scf hop bounce chug in hop scf pullback touch, hop toe hop switch hop toe hop, step toe pop step step R L LRL L R L R LRL RLRL R RR L 2 Heel Walkover hop dbl hop dbl hop toe stp heel stp toe stp heel stp toe hop dbl hop dbl hop toe hop dbl hop tch R L R L R R L L R R L L R R L L R R L [

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Part C

Clicky Gallop - hop scf hop, glp, glp hop scf hop slap hop, switch, hop dbl hop tch hop dbl hop touch step L R L R R L R L R L R L R L R R L R R L R R L R R L R R L R

Double pulls hp dbl hp dbl hp dbl, hp dbl hp dbl hp dbl hp dbl, hp dbl hp dbl hp dbl hop dbl hop touch L R L R L R L R R L R L R L R L R L R R R R R R R R R R L

Hop Double Back - hp dbl hp hp dbl hp hp dbl hp hp scf hp hp toe hp hp toe hp hp toe hp heel up L R L R L R R L R R L R R L R R L R R L R R L R R L R R L

"Crash and Burn"- Thomas Rhett (Country) Choreography by: Tori O'Bryant Advanced Routine- Traditional 678-983-7825

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Part A: Dbi break break st dbi flange rock flange kick bend flange st scuff hop flap hop & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 5 & 6 7 e & a 8	Flange Step
L R L L R R L L R L R L	,
Dbi (xif) kick st rock flange flange break heel up ds rs	Sydney
&1 & 2 & 3 4 5 & 6 & 7 & 8	(turn ½)
R R L L R L R R R LR	
Part B:	
Dshoptoestrockloopst rshoptoest rspump &1 & 1 2 & 3 4 &5 & a 6 &7 8	Sway step (turn %)
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Dbi back br-up ds is stamp up stamp out rock flange heel up	
& 1 & 2 & 5 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8	Hard Step/ Stamper
LLLR _L R R R R L L	
Part C:	
Dbl kick bend kick rock shuffle back flange heel up dbl (xib) break (x3) st pump & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6&7 & 8	Kicker
L R R R B B L R R R B R L	
Dbf bounce heel up dbi bounce heel up dbi flange dbi flange dbi heel heel up	Double Bounce
& 1. & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8	(turn %)
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Ds (ots) st (xib) st (ots) st (xib) st (ots) st (ots) ds (xif) drag st drag st rs &1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & &5 & 6 & 7 &8	ioey/ Sammy (turn ¼ left)
L R L R L R R L R IR	
Rock pull st rock push st irs i turn rock shuffle back st	Denethy services
& 1 2 & 3 4 &5 6 & 7 & 8	Dorothy reverse (turn to back)
LRLRLRB B B R	
Ds rs(ots) rock (xib) break heel up is scuff hop flap st scuff hop flap back br- up &1 &2 & 3 & 4 &5 e & a 5 e & a 7 & 8	Rock out break
&1&2 & 3 & 4&5 e & a 6 e & a 7 & 8 LRL R R LLIRLRLRLRRR	(turn ¾ left)
Ds pump rs pump ds(xif) rock st(xif) rock heel heel up & 2 & & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8	Heel Twist
R L LR L R L R R L L	(turn to front)
SEQUENCE: KEY: INTRO ST Step	
A TCH Touch	
B DS Double step	
C ftS Rock step D DBL Double	
A BRSH Brush	
B B Both	
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D Denest (spy/ (spymy 260 degrees)	
Repeat Joey/ Sammy 360 degrees)	

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Come Get It Bae

By: Pharrell Williams

Choreo by: Sherry & Gavin Cox 656 Church Lane Church Hill, Tennessee 37642

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Beginner Level Pop Song

<u>Sequence</u>: A - B - C - Chorus - B - C - Chorus - D - A - Chorus - A

Part A

Step touch (2 times) Jazz Square (turn ¼)

Part B

L	DS	DS		DS	DS	S	DS	R	DS	R	R	Kentucky Drag
R	DF	r s	DR S	DR S	R	DS	DS	S	DS	S	S	Triple (turn ½) Fancy Double

Repeat the Kentucky Drag, Triple, & Fancy Double to face the front

Part C

L	DS	KS S	<u>5</u> D	<u>s</u> R	DS	R	DS	TO BO T	<u>OUP</u> Kick Rock
R	KS	R	DS	DS	S Dtup	DS S	S D	S BO	Double up & turn
									Fancy Bouncer
Re	epeat	the K	ick Ro	ock, D	ouble up	& turr	n, and	the Fancy	Bouncer to face the front

Chorus

LS	ST	_ <u>S</u>	S	S	DS	S	DS))	R	DS	R	R	 MJ Stomp
R	DS	S	R	D	S F	2	DS	DS	S	DS	S	S	Triple (turn ½)
													Fancy Double

Repeat the MJ Stomp, Triple, & Fancy Double to face the front

Part D

) <u>S</u>	S	S	S	DS	R	DS			R	DS	DS	<u>s</u>	Chain Rock Vine
R	R	R	R	DS	DS	S	BR	UP	DS	S		DS	R	Rockin Chair (½)
														Fancy Double (¼)

Repeat to face all 4 walls

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