

Let's Dance!!

The Thalia Thumper's and Riptide's Open House Dance is just around the corner!!

- Are you looking for something fun to do?
- Do you enjoy having a good time with friends?
- New to the area and want to meet people?
- Would you like an activity the family can enjoy together?
- Need a little bit of fun exercise?

Everyone is invited to join the fun at the Open House Dance on September 10, 2011, at Point of View Elementary School, in Virginia Beach. The Thalia Thumpers and Riptides Square Dance Clubs will be hosting a fun evening of dance for you on that night. No Square Dancing experience is necessary! The price for the evening of fun can't be beat either - Free! Crown Record recording artists and Square Dance Callers, Bob and Matt Worley, will show the new dancers the steps, and experienced dancers will be on hand to help guide the way. The evening will also feature demonstrations of regular club level square dancing by the more experienced dancers. Dancing is open to everyone from 10 to 100, and the fun starts at 7:30PM. Singles, couples, and families are all invited out to the Open House!

Square Dance? When you first hear those words, you probably think of haystacks, barns, and a fiddler. You may remember the dances that you were taught in High School gym class. Come out and see how Modern Square Dancing has changed. Today's dancers are moving to modern music, in air conditioned churches, schools, and recreation centers. The fiddle player has been replaced by modern audio equipment with a caller leading the dancers. Square Dancing is also worldwide now, with clubs in many European and Asian countries. Wherever you go around the world, the dancing is always done in English, so language is not an issue.

Point of View Elementary School is located at 5400 Parliament Drive Virginia Beach, VA 23462, and the dancing fun begins at 7:30.. The Thalia Thumpers and Riptides Square and Round Dance Clubs are a non-profit clubs that have been active in Virginia Beach for almost 50 years. The Thumpers dance at the Point of View Elementary School every 2nd and 4th Saturday and the Riptides dance at Bayside Presbyterian Church on the 1st Fridays of the month.

The Hampton Roads area is home to several Modern Square Dance clubs. Every weekend there are dances in many of the local cities. Weeknights will find the regular dancers attending workshops and new dancers attending dances for beginners. Besides being fun and good for your health, Square Dancing is also cheap entertainment. The local clubs usually ask for a \$4 to \$5 donation for an evening of dancing, but the dance on September 10 is an even better deal because it's free!

Need more information about square dancing, or the upcoming Open House? Check out the website <http://fun.greatdances.net>, or find us on Facebook (search for Thalia Thumpers Square Dance Club). To learn more about square dancing in the Hampton Roads area and around Virginia, check out <http://squaredancers.org/> and <http://www.vasquaredance.com/>. The website <http://www.you2candance.com/> is another good source to learn about Square Dancing in general.

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