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Friday's DCA Carnival Fundraiser Features Scott Pelley of CBS and Arthur Murray Dancers

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The Ballroom also offers the Future Leaders Kids Program, which prepares young people for a lifetime of etiquette, life-changing fun, and social dancing.

The event will also feature live music from the Brasilian Vibes featuring Jazz Vibist Arthur Lipner and delicious Latin American-inspired cuisine. The DCA encourages festive dress for the event, which will take place at 7 pm at its main location at 274 Middlesex Rd. in Darien.

For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit this page on the DCA website.

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Frank Tortorici Arthur Murray Grande Ballroom of Greenwich

Tuesday at 3:05pm near Garwood, NJ ·

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ARTHUR MURRAY GRANDE BALLROOM OF GREENWICH DANCERS TO BE FEATURED PERFORMERS AT GREAT CHEFS 2013 FUNDRAISER FOR GREENWICH HOSPITAL AND COMMUNITY

GREENWICH, CT, February 19, 2013 -- The Arthur Murray Grande Ballroom of Greenwich, CT announced today that it will provide the featured dancing to Great Chefs 2013, the 28th-Annual evening of spectacular dining provided by top area chefs with all proceeds going to Greenwich Hospital.

The Arthur Murray Grande Ballroom of Greenwich, known for promoting movement and dance across Fairfield County and Upper Westchester as a fun and exciting way to stay vibrant and healthy, will feature a center stage performance, roaming dances, salsa-in-seconds demonstrations and will be on hand to dance with the anticipated 800 attendees.

"We want to add an element of exotic fun to the mix, "said Christine Georgopulo, president and owner of the Arthur Murray Grande Ballroom of Greenwich.

The Friday, March 1 event will be an evening of Epicurean delights to benefit community health in Westchester and Fairfield counties and Greenwich Hospital, which provides educational programs, healthcare screenings and support groups to Connecticut and New York residents.

The chefs will present a feast of signature dishes, and beverages from many of the finest restaurants, catering companies and beverage distributors in Connecticut and New York will be featured.

In addition, the Grande Ballroom will donate a dance program to the winner of the fundraiser's raffle and will offer special, preferred rates for its dance classes to the attendees. The event will also include silent, live, and wine auctions, with proceeds going to the Hospital.

The culinary extravaganza will honor the legendary Chef Angelo Vivolo, owner of Vivolo Restaurant, Bar Vetro, Cucina Vivolo and Bruschetteria in New York City and will feature Pastry Chef Lisa Maronian, owner of Sweet Lisa's Exquisite Cakes in Greenwich. Co-chairs this year are Greenwich residents Carolyn Crabtree and Shelly Tretter Lynch.

Top chefs participating include Jonathan Mathias of A Dash of Salt and Sam Epps, chef de cuisine at Tarry Lodge in Port Chester. They will provide tastings designed to promote healthy eating and a healthy lifestyle.

"Our exciting performances will enhance the excellence of the culinary talent that the event showcases," Georgopulo said. "This combination of talent has ensured that the Greenwich Hospital fundraiser has always been a sell-out and has become one of the premier social events of the season."

Great Chefs 2013, beginning at 7 pm, will be held at the Westchester Country Club, 99 Biltmore Ave., Rye, NY. For ticket details, please visit: http://www.greenhosp.org/benefit-events.

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Arthur Murray Grande Ballroom of Greenwich Valentine's Day Events

Thursday, February 14, 2013, 01:00pm - 09:00pm

DANCE LOVER TO CELEBRATE HER PASSION AND HELP CANCER AWARENESS

WITH HEALTHFUL AND FUN ARRAY OF VALENTINE'S DAY ACTIVITIES AT GRANDE BALLROOM

GREENWICH, CT, February 11, 2013 -- Christine Georgopulo is passionately in love with dance and helping others through movement.

On Thursday, Feb. 14, the Arthur Murray Grande Ballroom of Greenwich, of which Georgopulo is owner and president, will present programs that are close to her heart, fun, and beneficial.

What better way to celebrate this Valentine's Day than sharing her love of dance with a free class to aid in the ongoing fight against breast cancer? Georgopulo's charity of choice, breast cancer prevention, will be represented by a free Breast Cancer Alliance of Greenwich group class (5:30 pm-6:30 pm). The class is for all staff members, friends and anyone battling the disease.

Since opening her studio two years ago, Georgopulo has been committed to helping women throughout Connecticut stay free from breast cancer and its debilitating effects. Every Wednesday, the Ballroom has a free group class for breast cancer patients, in conjunction with Greenwich Hospital.

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Also on Valentine's Day, which is Georgopulo's birthday, the Grande Ballroom dancers will celebrate one of the studio owner's favorite dances by offering Salsa-in-a-Minute classes to anyone who shows up from 1-3 pm at nearby Lululemon Athletica, the yoga-inspired athletic-wear store. The dancers will also perform the Salsa, Rumba, Cha-Cha, Merengue, and Hustle in the store window.

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Care to Dance?

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