



## Concordia Ballroom eNews

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1129 La Crosse Street, La Crosse, WI 54601

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The Concordia Ballroom has an open Board position. Anyone interested in helping this wonderful historic hall should reach out to Jenny Heth at [jenny@concordiaballroom.com](mailto:jenny@concordiaballroom.com) !

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Don't forget these February events:

Malek's Fishermen  
Sunday, February 19, 1-5 p.m.

Midwinter Folk Dance  
with the Frog Slough String Band  
and Sue Hulsether, caller

Friday, February 24, 7 to 10:30 p.m.

George's Concertina Band  
Sunday, February 26, 1-5 p.m.

Saturday, February 25, 2023

Fundraiser at the Concordia hosted by *Chariots 4 Hope*, a non-profit that helps people maintain self-sufficiency through reliable transportation and RIDE programs. Get tickets [here](#).

## March Sunday Dances

Polka, waltz, foxtrot, swing, and more  
1-5 p.m. ~ Doors open at noon  
Snacks and bar available



Barefoot Becky  
March 5



Gary & the Ridgeland  
Dutchmen  
March 12



Ray's Jolly Chaps  
March 19



Daddy's Girls  
March 26





**Fundraiser for the Great River Folk Fest  
Folk Dance with  
Kickapoo Joy Juice  
and Sue Hulsether, caller**

**MARCH | SAT | 7 - 10:30 PM  
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**SUGGESTED DONATION  
\$10 ADULTS / \$5 CHILDREN**

**CONCORDIA BALLROOM  
1129 LA CROSSE STREET, LA CROSSE, WI**

**QUESTIONS? 608.784.3033**



***Ballroom Dance  
Workshop***

**With Dave Ford & Melinda Knutson**

**Saturday, March 11, 2023**  
**Concordia Ballroom, 1129 La Crosse St.**

**Session 1: 10-noon Beginner swing & foxtrot**  
**Session 2: 1-3 p.m.**  
**Beyond Beginner - new steps for 4 dances!**

**\$30 per person, each session**  
**No partner required**

**Call 608.769.6731 for more info**

Dance instructors Dave Ford and Melinda Knutson have been teaching dance in the La Crosse area for over a decade.

Beginner lesson will feature the basic steps for the swing and foxtrot, two of the most popular ballroom dances. Beginners and those looking for a refresher are welcome. Have fun at wedding parties and other dance events with these basic moves. No experience needed; singles welcome.

The beyond beginner lesson is for experienced dancers looking for new steps to the rumba, cha cha, and foxtrot and more fun with the merengue. Singles welcome.

Register [here](#) for the beginner lesson.

Register [here](#) for the beyond beginner lesson.



## ***Ballroom Dance with the Continental Dancers***

### **Greg Balfany Band**

Friday, March 17, 2023

7 p.m. waltz lesson; 8 p.m. dancing; cash bar

Greg Balfany's jazz quartet is a bright light in the La Crosse jazz scene, bringing their professional talents to venues large and small. Greg retired as Director of Jazz Studies at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, but he keeps busy teaching workshops and performing throughout the greater La Crosse area. He has played with the La Crosse Symphony Orchestra as well as the La Crosse Concert Band. Join us for the best dance music in the area!

*Sponsored by the [Continental Dancers](#)*

We welcome everyone to our monthly ballroom dances; no partner is required. Bring your friends! Dance styles include swing, foxtrot, line dances, cha cha, waltz, rumba, tango and more.

\$10 at the door. \$5 for students with ID.

*The Continental dances are held monthly on the third Friday, September through April, at the Concordia Ballroom.*

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# Ongoing Events at the Concordia

## Square Dancing



2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 6-9 p.m.  
Beginners 6-7 p.m.



## 500 Card Games

Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
1-3 p.m.  
Arrive by 12:50 to start on time!



## STAR Program



Weekly exercise for people with disabilities, including Parkinson's.  
[starcenterlacrosse.org](http://starcenterlacrosse.org)

## Zumba

Tuesday, Thursday  
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.  
[Ncarmosini@gmail.com](mailto:Ncarmosini@gmail.com)





*Community support keeps the  
historic Concordia Ballroom open*

- *Attend events*
- *Become a member*
- *Volunteer*
- *Donate*
- *Rent the hall*



*Contact us:  
[concordiaballroom.com](http://concordiaballroom.com)*

Love has kept the Concordia Ballroom open since 1891. Perhaps the oldest business in La Crosse, the Concordia has been a community meeting place for over 130 years. Many people tell us that they met their partner or spouse at the Concordia, or their parents or grandparents met here. No place in La Crosse is better at match-making than the Concordia!

Now it's your turn to share your love for the Concordia and the La Crosse community. You can start by attending an event or becoming a member. Concordia members keep the building operating for public dances and private celebrations. We need Board Members who will lead and oversee operations and we need volunteers to take tickets, help in the kitchen, or serve beverages. Consider renting the Concordia for your next special event or celebration. Financial donations help us upgrade equipment, spruce up the space, or cover ongoing expenses. Memorial donations are a wonderful way to celebrate someone's life,

especially someone who enjoyed dancing or had a special place in their hearts for the Concordia Ballroom. Thank you!

Donations by check can be sent to the Concordia Aid Society, 1129 La Crosse Street, La Crosse, WI 54601, or make an online donation via our [website](#). All inquiries can be made via our website or call the hall at 608.782.7049.

*Rent the Concordia for your special event*



*Old World Charm*

Located in the heart of La Crosse, with a fabulous maple dance floor, full service bar, kitchen, stage & sound system, large-screen TV's, large parking lot, accessible entry. Capacity: 240  
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