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From the desk of the President
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Dear Dancers,

NDTA's Directors of the Board want to extend Season Greetings and Best Wishes for 2018 to all of you! May you enjoy good health and excellent dancing!

We've had a productive year in 2017 with an increase in our membership, three excellent seminars with workshops, new board members, and a new examiner.

Our seminar in February included workshops in the theater arts conducted by our very own vice-president, Susan Silva, who is a former USA theater arts champion with her dance partner, the late David Hamilton. Susan worked on presentation and styling (arm styling, foot positioning, and leg lines) when dancing a routine.

Herb Vazquez taught the workshops at our July seminar working on fundamental techniques of alignment and direction in the progressive movements of the Foxtrot and the skill of lead and follow in open position and controlling distance of movement in the Cha Cha.

At our October seminar Elisabeth Tarodi worked on musicality, style and techniques in the basics of the International Tango and techniques and connection in the International Rumba.

The videos of all of the 2017 workshops are available on our website.

Changes in our by-laws were made to allow for an increase in the number of board members who can serve. The board can now consist of up to 9 members including the four officers. We now have 5 board members. We welcomed Herb Vazquez and Steve McGill to the board in October. Shawn Fisher stepped down as secretary and Herb was kind enough to step into the position of secretary for the duration of Shawn's term.

We also are working on creating an examinations system in the theater arts style with Susan Silva appointed as a new examiner for the theatre arts exams.

Dates for the 2018 seminars are set for February 25, June 17, and October 7. We are going back to Sundays as our meeting day with a start time of 1 PM for the meeting followed by two workshops starting at 2:30 PM.

Here's hoping for a prosperous and exciting new year.

Lee Fox
President/NDTA