

A Sip of Champagne – January/February 2010



"A Slice of Sherri Pie" - Editor's Notes

We, The Champagne Girls, believe that our "Motion With A Mission Program," is Divinely inspired, and I always invite the angels to dance at our sides while we are performing. As Trustee, Layla, said, "We are a troupe whose main goal, front and center, is to raise money for charity." While our 2009 donations total was \$1,558, which is short of our usual goal, our total donations since the inception of our organization in 2004 is \$14,000! Considering we are all part-time volunteers, that is a good sum of money that we have raised thus far. Let's keep dancing, always!

Old Ideas & New Ideas

Old Idea: Shiri will be continuing the Saturday Charity classes for the Sussex County Food Pantry Co-op. "Belly Dance to Fill Bellies" will remain ongoing at 12:15 on Saturdays from now until Sherri's feet get too sore to teach! New Idea: New recruit, Cindy, has suggested doing "Bachelorette Parties" to increase the ways the troupe can make charity money. Good idea, Cindy!

Jinxed Winter Show

All the rehearsals, all the wrapping of door prizes, and all the food preparations, all for nothing! The December 13th show had to be cancelled due to the icy roads and also the lack of heat at the VFW Post. Despite the show being cancelled, a donation of \$50 was made to The Humane Society of the United States and \$50 to the ASPCA.



Layla and Shiri - "No Show"

Winter-Spring-Summer Schedule

In the Children's book, *The Selfish Giant*, Oscar Wilde wrote that the Giant "did not hate the Winter now, for he knew that it was merely the Spring asleep, and that the flowers were resting." Well, the flowers might be resting, but The Champagne Girls will be shimmying their hips off all winter long!

- Saturday, January 9th, Veterans' Hospital in Scranton, PA as "back up" for Ron Richardson's show.
- Sunday, February 21st, "Dancing for DASI" to raise money for the battered women shelter's pantry.
- Tuesday, February 23rd, 5:30 PM "Multicultural Event," which is sponsored by the Wayne Board of Education and will be held at The Brownstone House in Paterson.
- Sunday, April 11th, 3:00, "Dance-A-Thon" for children with cancer at the VFW Post in Butler.
- (TBA) At the end of April, Ron Richardson has invited The Champagne Girls to be part of his annual Telethon for the Red Cross.
- Saturday, July 17th, "Anniversary Luau" to celebrate The Champagne Girls' sixth year as Nonprofit entertainers. Location – VFW Post in Butler. (Charity to be decided)

We all hope that our ongoing supporters will continue to hold us up in daily prayers.