# **THIS FOUNDATION SPONSORS:**

- BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY Annual Dance Scholarship Award since 2007

- The DREAM (Discover, Respect Express Achieve Motivate) Dance Sport Program, created for 4th through 12th grade students in Southern California School Districts.

## - FORDNEY FOUNDATION JUNIOR AND YOUTH DANCESPORT SERIES:

Over 40 ballroom dance competitions in the United States and Canada are in this series.

NDCA age groups: Junior 1, Junior 2, and youth compete to win points.

The series begins at the Ohio Star Ball in November and ends at the Hollywood Dancesport Championship each October. An East Coast, Central, and West Coast team match is held at Ohio Star Ball.

Visit our website for more information, registration, ranking results, and prize money. A top studio award is offered.

## - THE LADIES OF BALLROOM:

American style music album with 27 tracks of dance choosen by dancers and arranged by musicians with a percentage of the proceeds to be received by the Fordney Foundation. To become part of this project or purchase an album, visit our website.

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### ABOUT THE FOUNDER MARILYN TAKAHASHI FORDNEY

Marilyn began taking ballet and tap at age 12.

She tried out at auditions and joined a summer dance troupe.

Then her carreer headed towards the medical assisting field, where she worked, became an instructor and subsequently wrote textbooks.

The books won 4 national awards and train people for medical insurance, billing, coding and administrative medical assisting jobs.

In 2002 she began to dance competitively in International and American pro-am ballroom dances.

In May 2002, she established the Fordney Foundation for Dancesport for amateur youths, ages 6 to 25.

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# FORDNEY FOUNDATION FOR DANCESPORT



NONPROFIT FOUNDATION SUPPORTING YOUTH DANCESPORT SINCE 2002

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#### **OBJECTIVE**

Fordney Foundation for DANCESPORT helps children and young adults to realize their dreams of artistically expressing themselves through ballroom dance.

It was established to promote ballroom dance to individuals of all ethnic groups without regard to religion or creed that are dependents 6 to 25 years of age attending schools who qualify as amateurs.

#### PURPOSE

Discover and train talented individuals with the ultimate goal of having establish a professional career in dance-related profession.

The Foundation is dedicaated to developing the understanding of dancesport in the community and encouraging young talent in the United States of America and Canada.

#### **ABOUT DANCESPORT**



Perhaps you have seen ballroom dancing on television or as part of a movie. It has evolved into a sport, which is recognized around the world as a DANCESPORT.

**Rigorous training is required to achieve** precise steps and form. Individuals pursuing this art form must achieve flexibility, agility, and understand and learn musical rhythm.

#### **DANCESPORT BENEFITS**

Ballroom dancing is beautiful, elegant and sophisticated. It requires top physical conditioning. It improves communication skills, social interaction, coordination, creativity, spatial ability, stamina, endurance, and positive psychological benefits by elevating self-esteem.

#### **FINANCIAL ASPECTS**

When watching amateur youth/junior dance competitions, you will become aware that competitors must dress in

beautiful costumes, have impeccable grooming, and straight posture.

Private and group dance lessons, coaching sessions are required as the skill to dance as a unit becomes perfected.

Transportation to and from the competitions, entry fees, hotel lodging and meals may be required.

It takes a great deal of time and financial resources to become a top contender.

By nurturing youth dancesport, the Fordney Foundation can help educate the public in the United States of America about this activity as sport.

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### **TAX\_DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS**

Will support the dreams of many young people, who want to dance and compete, but may not be able to afford it.

Make possible thousands of school children to experience the feeling of dance and learn fundamental etiquette rules. You will make a unique and valuable difference in the life of children.

Please send your tax-dedectible donation to:

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Did you know that a charitable contribution to nonprofit can result in guaranteed lifetime income that is partially income tax free for you and your beneficiaries?

Learn more about how you can benefit from our charitable, tax-excempt status and ensure the continued legacy of the Fordney Foundation at the same time. Contact our Planned Giving Committee Chairman, Jeremy Chaffin at: jeremy@telosinc.com

#### WEBSITE

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