DANCE BULLETIN

USA DANCER

Where The Beat and Friendly People Meet

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20th Anniversary

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August 2018 Newsletter

Blue Bell Ice Cream

Comments from our President – Robert White

Summer weather in the mid-south persisted as one hundred-four USA Dance members and their guests gathered at Advent Presbyterian Church's Life Center for an evening of dancing pleasure. This was a special occasion as dancers enjoyed wonderful sundae's made with Blue Bell Ice Cream, and honored the area's professional dance instructors. We introduced these special teachers to our members and guests. This was a rare opportunity to express our appreciation to these special trainers, who teach us how to truly enjoy dancing. It also gave our dancers a chance to learn about opportunities offered by these professionals to expand their dance repertoire.

A special thank you goes out the Blue Bell Creameries for their very generous donation of quality ice cream. Jane Hester, the Chapter's Volunteer Chairman, performed double duty this month by handling the decorations in Carole Eady's absence. She did an excellent job enhancing the evening's theme with tall glass spires topped with colored paper resembling ice cream cones. Her work is most appreciated. Examples of this can be seen in many of the dance photos that follow.

We thank Tim Hnat for his expertise with the sound equipment making our announcements possible as well as floating the music across the floor. Tim and Nastasya's proficiency with a camera captured the fun of the evening. Most of the photos in this newsletter were taken by them. We also thank our dancers who supplemented the buffet table with their special recipes. These generous contributions always make the hors d'oeuvres and deserts at our dance events superior.

Our very special thanks go out to all our members and guests who attended the August event. Without your support we would not be able to continue.

Next month we celebrate the arrival of fall with a Barn Dance Social on the second Saturday at Advent Presbyterian Church's Life Center. Why not mark your calendar to join us on September 8.

A Big
Ice Cream Party

Dance Photos - August Dance

USA Dance, chapt. 2012 ~ Instructor Appreciation Ice Cream Social

Serving Blue Bell Ice Cream to 100+ Guests ~ Aug. 11, 2018

Photo Timothy Hnat

These bowls aren't large enough!

THE MUSIC MASTER AT WORK

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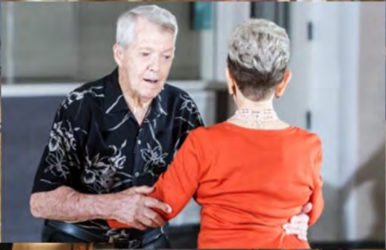


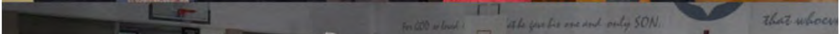
And then you squash it just like this!

Get that camera away from me!

Let me explain it to you this way.

For GOD so loved

This Blue Bell ice cream is yummy!



Oh! I ate that Ice cream too fast.
Hi Ya'll!
Yum, Yum, Yum!

Don't look now, but I think the camera is pointed this way again!

And then you just jab it in like this!

USA DANCE
AEROBICS ROOM
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USA DANCE
FIRESIDE ROOM

Do you think they added something to the punch tonight?

USA Dance - Greater Memphis Chapter, extends a warm welcome to **Dave Contreras** who joined the Chapter since our last newsletter. We look forward to your being a part of our dance family. See you on the dance floor.

Renewing USA Dance Members

Membership funds the majority of our organization's efforts and provides many benefits to dancers throughout the United States. One of the greatest benefits of membership in USA Dance is simply being an active participant in and supporter of this dynamic and effective leader, promoter, and supporter of ballroom dancing. Many members say that attending USA Dance events and association with the friends they make at those events quickly becomes a significant and very pleasurable part of their life. This applies regardless of age or whether the member is a Social Dancer, DanceSport Athlete, Student, or Junior dancer. Dancers who love to travel enjoy the instant social life they find while on vacation. Your membership in our Chapter also gives you a discount on admission to the dances held by our sister Chapters all over the country. So...when you travel take your dancing shoes and meet some new dancers.

The following USA Dance members renewed their membership since the last newsletter:

Allen Browning, Pam Vaughn, Barry Stanley, Susan Robinson, Joseph Robinson, Elizabeth Massengill, and Gail C. Cockrell

USA Dance Membership Has Some Impressive Benefits

Summer is travel season - be sure to check out the values on car rentals, hotels and more with the USA Dance Membership Value Program.

As a member of USA Dance, you are eligible to access special benefits and discounts as listed below. Contact the vendors directly for more information on the items of interest to you. *Read more about it on our website at http://usadance.org/extra/membership-value/*

Visit other chapters as you travel - visit our "find a chapter" page at http://usadance.org/chapters/find-a-local-chapter/ to see if there is a chapter in an area you will be visiting. Click on the name for an opportunity to email the chapter directly or visit their website. Enjoying dances hosted by other chapters is great way to get new ideas for your own chapter.

Members also receive a subscription to the USA Dance magazine, *American Dancer.*

Please renew your membership before the expiration date. Once your expiration date passes, the National Membership Computer pulls your name from the active member file.

Our members are the strength of our Chapter. If you experience any problems with the online system please let your Membership Chairman, **Doyle Caldwell** (dylcaldwell@yahoo.com or 901-355-3297) know promptly so that we can assist before your membership expires. We surely do not want to lose you as a part of our dance family.

The "PONY"
Johnson 7/22
The "SWIM"
The "MASHED POTATO"
The "WATUSI"
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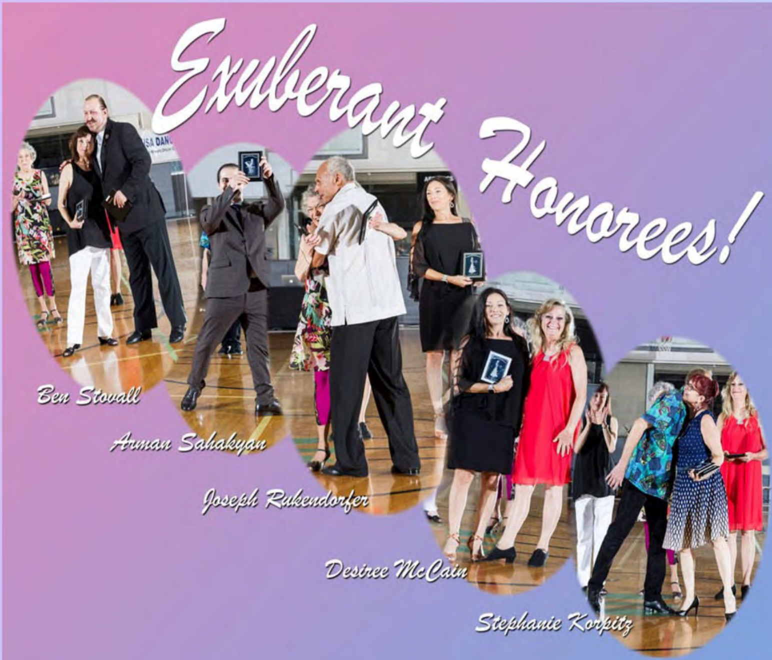
The "HORMONE SHUFFLE"

Extra Special Tid Bits



Exuberant Honorees!

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USA Dance chpt. 2012 ~ INSTRUCTOR APPRECIATION ICE CREAM SOCIAL ~ Aug. 11, 2018

HONORING THE USA DANCE GROUP CLASS INSTRUCTORS

Receiving awards for their dedication of teaching Ballroom dance in the community and for USA Dance classes: Joseph Rukendorfer 18 yrs.; Arman Sahakyan 4 yrs.; Desiree McCain 12 yrs.; Ben Stovall 9 yrs.; Stephanie Korpitz 10 yrs.; not pictured: Jorja Jolly 8 yrs. & Mike McKerlie 2 yrs.

Instructor Relations Committee center: Lee Bodeen, Pam Vaughn, Sylvia Rose, Ch/Group Class dir. & Dena Richardson

"Instructor Appreciation Ice Cream Social"
USA Dance chpt. 2012, Aug. 11, 2018

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INSTRUCTOR EXTRAVAGANZA & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

TAKES TID BIT'S TOP HONORS

USA DANCE BRINGING YOU 18+ YEARS OF THE BEST OF PROFESSIONAL BALLROOM DANCE TEACHERS IN THE MEMPHIS AREA

We want to thank all of the hundreds of dance students who have ventured through the USA Dance , Berclair Group Classes over the past 20 years when we received our National Charter in 1998. We have and will always strive to give you the best In teachers and knowledge of dance, the Memphis area has to offer..

We wish to thank the Independent professional Dance teachers for their support and to the Area Dance Studios (Fred Astaire Dance Studio, BlueSuede Studio and Ultimate Ballroom Studio) for their support by allowing their professionals to teach. And thanks to ALL for the entertaining performances which everyone enjoys at our monthly dances.

DESIREE McCAIN INSTRUCTOR

SEPTEMBER GROUP CLASSES: BEGINNING:

SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

RUMBA ~ 6PM

WC SWING ~7:15PM

All Group Classes taught at Berclair Civic Club, 743 Novarese at Tutwiler; $7 per class; Students with ID or children $3; No Partner Needed; Beginners are introduced to Bronze level dances; Adv. Beginners and Intermediate level dances are taught full Bronze and some Silver level with proper technique and some styling. USA Dance teaches all the American style dances, rotating the dances throughout the year. We also rotate our Instructors so you get the benefit of their individual styles of instruction. We hope you will continue to support our group classes and enhance your study and enthusiasm of dance with individual teachers of your choice as you advance. An Intermediate or Advanced dancer NEVER gets too much practice on the basics, so come dance with us on Sunday nights…BE A "NUBEE"…Join USA Dance at Group Class and receive 2 Free Group Classes of YOUR Choice! We are a most friendly family of dancers!

CU on the LOD~Sylvia Rose Group Class Dir.~ Ph. 901-386-2003 for more info.

Visit our FB PAGE: USADance greater Memphis Chapter 2012; Web site: usadancememphis.com

Again, we gathered at Advent with our excitement growing,
searching for the pleasures of dance, we soon would be knowing.
We meet with friends we find alluring,
as our feet move around the floor briefly touring.
Our pleasure in Tango, Rumba, and Bolero are the reason,
we prepared and practiced for this dance season.
For our joy together the evening is rife,
fueled by the taste of Blue Bell Ice Cream and life.
The passion for our time together will survive,
but we know the end of our time tonight will too soon arrive.