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November 2018 Newsletter

Happy Thanksgiving

Comments from our President – Robert White

As the first freezing temperatures descended upon the area, seventy-four USA Dance members and their guests heated up the dance floor at Advent Presbyterian Church's Life Center in celebration of our Volunteers. These honorees make everything happen for the Chapter. If it were not for them, we would have no dance.

As always, the theme of our dance came to life with the creative decorations by Carole Eady. Carole has applied her talents to this task for the Chapter's events for many years and has always wowed everyone with her inspired ornamentation on the tables and buffet, which add fun and delight to our dances. For this consistent effort, and her dedication to the Chapter's success, Carole was selected as our Volunteer of the Year. Her award was presented during our second break when all our volunteers were announced and honored for their work over the past year.

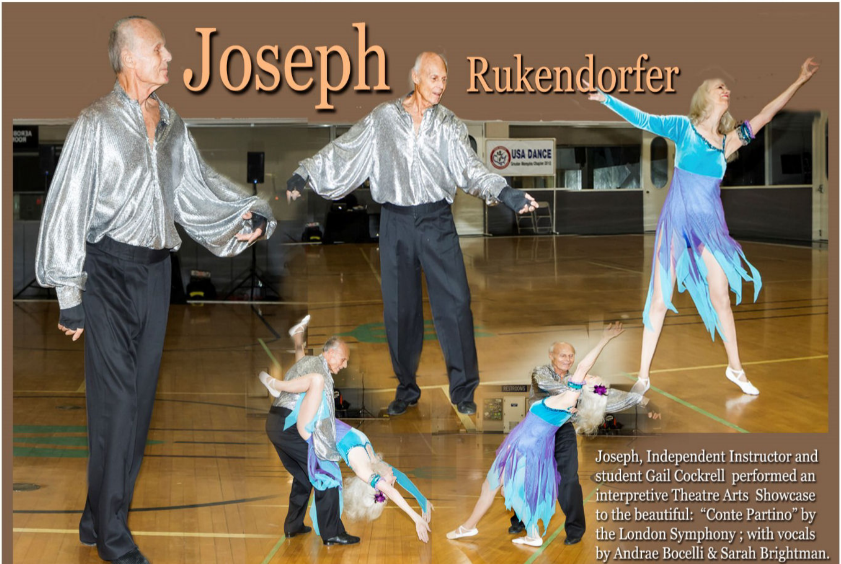
Our thanks go out to Tim Hnat for his work with the sound equipment to float the dance music across the floor for our dancing pleasure. His and Nastasya's talent with the camera captures the energy of our dance event, and is much appreciated. Most of the photos you see in this newsletter are due to this photo duo. We were all treated to a special showcase performed by our November Group Instructor, Joseph Rukendorfer, and his student Gail Cockrell during our first break. We thank Joseph and Gail for sharing their time and talents.

A big thank you to everyone who contributed their recipes to our buffet table. These wonderful dishes make everyone's trip for snacks during the dance special.

We thank you for joining us on the dance floor this month. It is your support that makes it possible for everything we do.

The second Saturday next month we will be holding our Holiday Dance. This will take place at Advent Presbyterian Church's Life Center so why not mark your calendars now to join in on all the fun we have planned for December 8.

Dance Photos - November Dance



Joseph, Independent Instructor and student Gail Cockrell performed an interpretive Theatre Arts Showcase to the beautiful: "Conte Partino" by the London Symphony ; with vocals by Andrae Bocelli & Sarah Brightman.

USA Dance Greater Memphis Chap. 2012 "HARVEST OF THANKS" Nov. 10, 2012

Photos Tim Hnat/ Art S. Rose

Sound Master at Work
USA DANCE
Greater Memphis Chapter 2012

Decoration Genius at work

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USA DANCE
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No, you can't sit there. I'm saving that seat for someone important!
RESTROOMS

Yea, I think you squashed it!
RACC

AEROBICS ROOM
Hi Ya'll.
RESTROOMS

Get that camera away from me!
I don't believe a word of that.

EXIT
BONUS
PERIOD
BONUS
FOULS
PLAYER
FOULS
FOULS
ROOMS
EXIT

That camera had better not be pointed over here!

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:

Esim Payne, Timothy Hnat, Karen Tipton, Jack Tipton, Nastasya Hnat,

Jane Hester, Carole Eady, and Lindy Ward.

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.

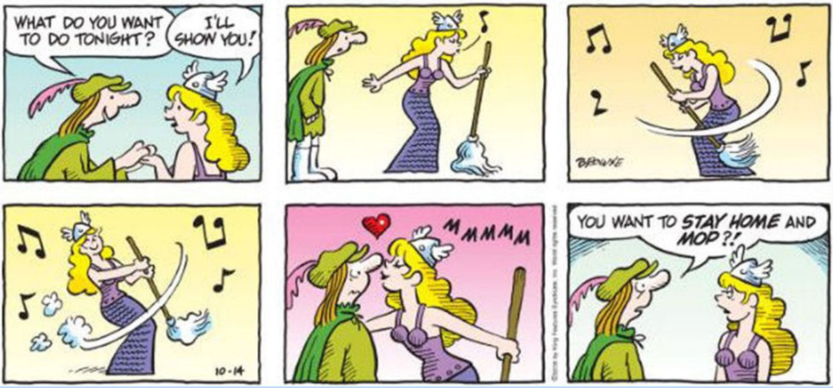
Read more about it on our website at http://usadance.org/extra/membership-value/

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.


WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO TONIGHT?
I'LL SHOW YOU!
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10-14
MMMMM
YOU WANT TO STAY HOME AND MOP?!

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Sponsors Dancing at the 2018 Germantown Senior Expo

Again for the third year, Seniors have been entertained with Dance Showcases and General Dancing. All Dance groups from the Pyramid Belly Dancers, Line dancers, Tap Dancers, Argentine Tango Dancers, Ballroom Dancers, Latin Dancers, Country Dancers, West Coast Swingers, Boppers and even 'Cake Walkers', were seen. Everyone got to dance and have Fun!

USA Dance Volunteers chairing this year's extravaganza were Matthew Lybanon and

Carol Lybanon. Assisting were: Carole Eady, Robert White, Jane Hester and Doyle Caldwell, DJ. **Hip Hip Hooray for all their hard work and dedication to USA Dance.**

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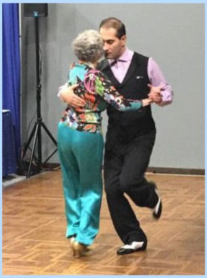

Article by Sylvia Rose; Please visit our Web Site: www.usadancememphis.com and **like** our F.B. page USA Dance - Greater Memphis Chapter # 2012.

They Make It Happen at USA Dance

AEROBICS ROOM
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Memphis Chapter 2012
Volunteer of The Year 2018
Carole Eady

Volunteers are the backbone of the USA Dance organization. Without their willingness to take on the many jobs necessary, we would not have a monthly dance, a vital dance lesson program, nor any of the other activities associated with the Chapter. This month we took time at our dance to honor the special people who make everything happen including music, photography, decorating, lesson administration, set up and take down tasks, delicious food donations, and many more!

Pictured above are those volunteers who were able to attend the dance. From left to right: Sandra Shinault, Marilyn White, Tim Hnat, Carole Eady (our Volunteer of the Year), Stanley Smilowitz, Petra Dodd, Gail Cockrell, and Douglas Farris. Also honored but not pictured were: Lan Long, Barry Stanley, Cathy Linn, John Linn, Matthew Lebannon, Carol Lebannon, Ding Wang, and Yong Chen. Also not in the photo were members of our Board of Directors: Lee Bodeen, Doyle Caldwell, Jane Hester, Nastasya Hnat, Gail Mays, Darryl Nowag, Sylvia Rose, Pam Vaughn, Kaitlyn Bass, and Robert White.

Donald Anishanslin

We were all saddened by the recent death of, long time USA Dance member, Dr. Donald Anishanslin. Until recently, Don could be seen at dances several times each week around the area. Although his passion for dancing was well known to all of us, his zest for life also extended to golf, where he held awards for two "Hole in One" honors and to equestrian pursuits where he was an accomplished show horseman. Don will be missed by all of us!

Tid Bits of Thankfulness

This year marks the 18th year or more that Mr. Joseph rukendorfer has instructed Ballroom dance group classes for USA Dance Greater Memphis Chapter 2012 at the Berclair Civic Club facility. Joseph is one of the few highly honored instructors to receive the "dual Fellow" instructor, certification from USISTD (ISTD International Society of the Teachers of Dance). Joseph earned this certification through examination of written, oral and demonstration of ALL the International and American styles of dance. We say: " Bravo ~ Joseph"

We would like to say thank you to all our group class Instructors, who taught classes and provided our dances with fabulous professional

SHOWCASES. AND THANKS TO THEIR ASSISTANTS, OUR VOLUNTEERS AND STUDENTS WHO BEGAN THEIR DANCE ADVENTURE IN GROUP CLASS SPONSORED BY USA DANCE, PAST & PRESENT, FROM 1998-2018!

NO GROUP CLASSES TO BE HELD IN DECEMBER

Please have a Happy Thanksgiving and watch for announcements in late December, beginning in January 2019 for a new winter Ballroom Dance Class Schedule, dances to be offered and a new rotation of Instructors. Remember, Join USA Dance at group class and receive 2 FREE classes of your choice. All group classes held at Berclair Civic Club, 743 Novarese at Tutwiler, Memphis TN. Affordable, professional instruction for Only $7 and students $3; no partner needed.

Sylvia Rose, Group Class Dir.; 901-386-2003 ~ visit our FB Page and our Web site: www.usadancememphis.com

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The USA Dance crowd again gathered at Advent's gate,
for at this celebration none wanted to be late.
On this night we celebrate those who volunteer their time,
and expect in return, nary a dime.
They donate their time and do their part,
for the Chapter it comes from their dancing heart.
They rise to the occasion – that is without a doubt,
USA Dance volunteers we would not exist without!