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MEMPHIS TN CHAPTER #2012

August 2019 Newsletter

A Big
Ice Cream Party

Comments from our President – Robert White

Our annual Ice Cream Social event has become a summer staple in the Memphis area. It took place this year just as the season's heat and humidity index reached the 100 degree mark. Seventy-four USA Dance members and their guests welcomed the cool of Advent Presbyterian Church's Life Center for an evening of great fun on the dance floor accompanied by generous scoops of Blue Bell ice cream. Our Decorating Team, Jane Hester and Carole Eady, converted the gym into a summertime fun day at the beach – complete with pastel colors and playful ice cream cones in sand buckets for the table centerpieces.

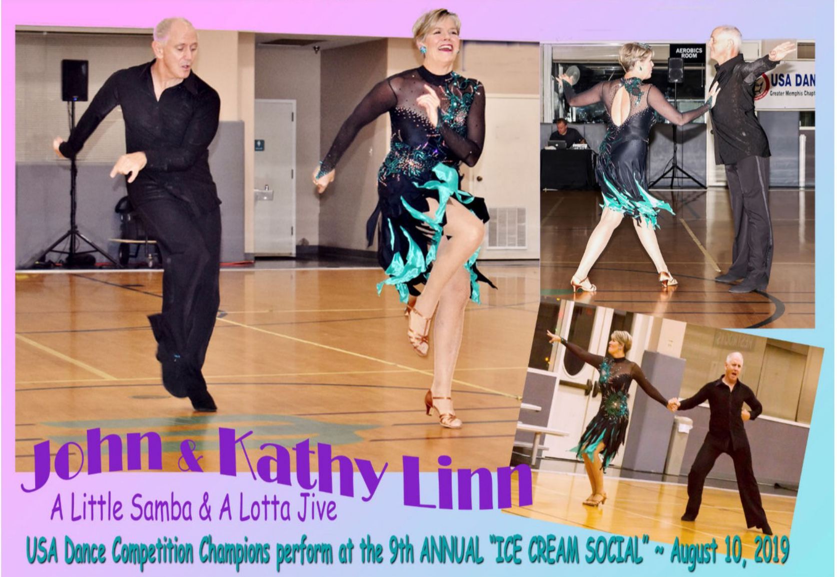
Many thanks to Tim Hnat for his work with the sound equipment, floating the music across the floor for our dancing pleasure and announcements, and to Blue Bell Creameries for their generous donation of delicious ice cream for everyone to sample. Our buffet this month featured all of the trimmins' for our dancers to make custom Sundaes. Many dancers contributed their own special recipes to compliment the fare. Our thanks to everyone of you who made a contribution. In addition to the sound equipment work, Tim and Nastasya took most of the photos featured in this newsletter. Their talent with the camera is most appreciated.

During our first break, everyone was treated to two Competition Latin Routines – Samba and Jive - by our Dancesport Champion members, John and Kathy Linn. We thank them for sharing their time and talent for our enjoyment!

As always we are especially grateful to all who choose to attend our dance events. As a non-profit organization, the proceeds from our monthly dance funds all of the Chapter's activities, and without your support we could not continue.

We will usher in the Fall season with a Barn Dance theme the second Saturday next month. So…dust off your jeans and boots and join the fun, which starts at 7 p.m. on September 14 at Advent Presbyterian Church's Life Center. Ya'll come dance with us!

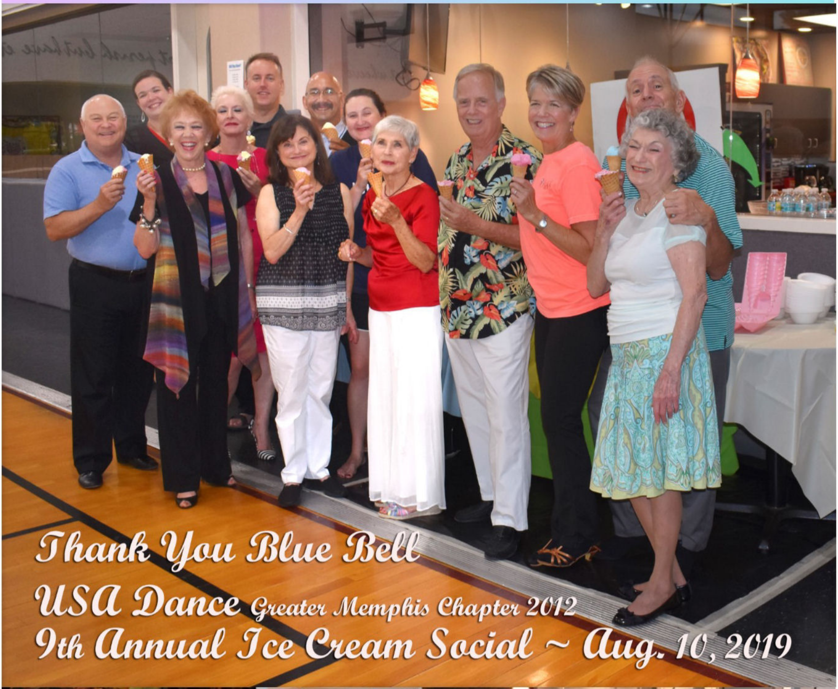
Dance Photos - August Dance



John & Kathy Linn

A Little Samba & A Lotta Jive

USA Dance Competition Champions perform at the 9th ANNUAL "ICE CREAM SOCIAL" ~ August 10, 2019

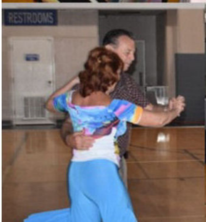


Thank You Blue Bell

USA Dance Greater Memphis Chapter 2012

9th Annual Ice Cream Social ~ Aug. 10, 2019

No, I'm not sharing my ice cream!



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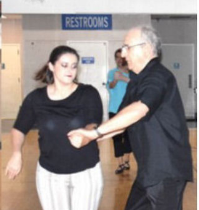

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Are you sure that is what she said?!

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USA Dance - Greater Memphis Chapter, extends a warm welcome to **James Patrick** 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:

Randy Collins, Karen Craig, Dena Richardson, Joseph Robinson, Susan Robinson, Robert White, Marilyn White, and Camilla Wilson

As you plan your summer travel - 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 (a full list is on the website) Contact the vendors directly for more information on the items of interest to you and *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.*

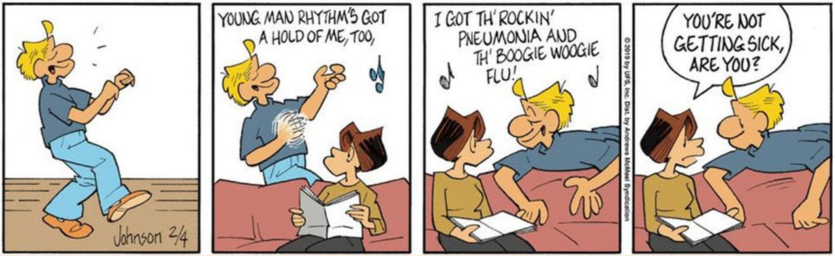
Please renew your membership before the expiration date. Once your expiration date passes, the National Membership Computer pulls your name from the active member file.

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.

New Perks for Membership

Help Your Chapter recruit New Members

1. When a member brings or gets someone to join as a member of USA Dance, that member is granted free entry into one of our non-band dances.
2. When a member gets a member, who has been inactive for longer than 12 months, to renew their membership, that member will be granted free entry into one non-band dance.
3. When someone joins our Chapter they receive free entry into one non-band dance after their membership is confirmed from the national database plus they receive two free lessons at our Sunday Group Classes at Berclair Civic Center.



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YOUNG MAN RHYTHM'S GOT A HOLD OF ME, TOO,
I GOT TH' ROCKIN' PNEUMONIA AND TH' BOOGIE WOOGIE FLU!
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YOU'RE NOT GETTING SICK, ARE YOU?

Did You Know

Cha-Cha originated in Cuba and evolved from a slow version of Mambo called “Triple Mambo” or Mambo with guiro rhythm. Cuban motion in Cha-Cha is more staccato than Rumba to reflect the music with emphasis on count 1. Enrique Jorrin, a Cuban Violinist created the first cha-cha song in 1948. He named it after the shuffling sound the dancers shoes made when they dance to this type of music.

The Cha-Cha was introduced in the United States around 1954 and had apparently gained so much popularity by 1959 that it was reported to be the most popular dance in the country at that time. It remains as one of the most popular Latin dances in the U. S. today.

Source: Wikipedia

ClassFID BITS

I am so excited to announce that for the *first time ever,* USA Dance will teach the “TEXAS TWO STEP” AND we will dance it at our Barn Dance Social on Sept.14!

Have a wonderful Labor Day week end and we will see you at Berclair Civic Club, on Sept. 8 for some ‘high steppin’, *Two Step* with swirls and twirls; AND a class in *Advanced* East Coast Swing where you will learn all those neat moves you see the pros do! Jorja is an instructor with the *Ultimate Ballroom* and has instructed for USA Dance for the past 10 years. Come Join us for some SWINGIN’ FUN!

USA Dance Sponsors

Jorja Jolly

Of Ultimate Ballroom Studio

Instructor

September 8th 15-22 & 29

Texas Two Step ~

6:pm

A ‘little bit Country, a little bit Ballroom’ for Beginners in two-step with swirls and twirls. USA Dance introduces something new for Ballroom dancers. Come join the FUN!

ADVANCED East Coast Swing 7:10pm

LET’S SWING IT INTO FALL Y’ALL ~ WE’RE KICKIN’ IT UP A NOTCH FOR THE INTERMEDIATE AND ADVANCED DANCERS!

$7 per/$3 students; all classes taught at Berclair Civic Club, 743 Novarese at Tutwiler; 901-386-2003 Sylvia Rose, Group Class. Dir.

ALL GROUP CLASSES ARE TAUGHT AT BERCLAIR CIVIC CLUB, 743 NOVARESE AT TUTWILER, MEMPHIS; COST $7 PER / STUDENTS $3; Beginner / Adv. Beg. Classes start at 6pm and Advanced dancer classes begin at 7:10pm; Classes are progressive, building patterns, steps and technique upon the previous class. JOIN USA DANCE, $35 PER YEAR AND RECEIVE 2 FREE CLASSES (of your choice) and ONE FREE Monthly Dance (recorded music). EVERYONE WELCOME!

Without support of the Dance community and friends, USA Dance could not sponsor and bring to you the quality of instructors which potential dancers deserve. We rotate the dances and instructors each month to introduce you to the different styles of teaching professionals. You may then consider to choose a private instructor to further your dancing dreams or continue with USA Dance group classes as well. USA DANCE is a NON PROFIT 501c3 organization and we strive to OFFER you the BEST at a very affordable cost! For more info: ph. 901-386-2003, Sylvia Rose, Group Class Dir.

We gathered again past the heat of the day,
for time to dance the evening away.
Our joy together this evening was rife,
fueled by the taste of Blue Bell Ice Cream and life.
The music on the floor is filled with romance,
as is our penchant for dance;
the Samba, Mambo, and Waltz,
'til our time together this evening halts.