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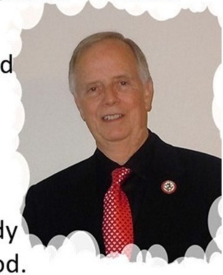
November 2022 Newsletter

Happy
Thanksgiving

Comments from our President – Robert White

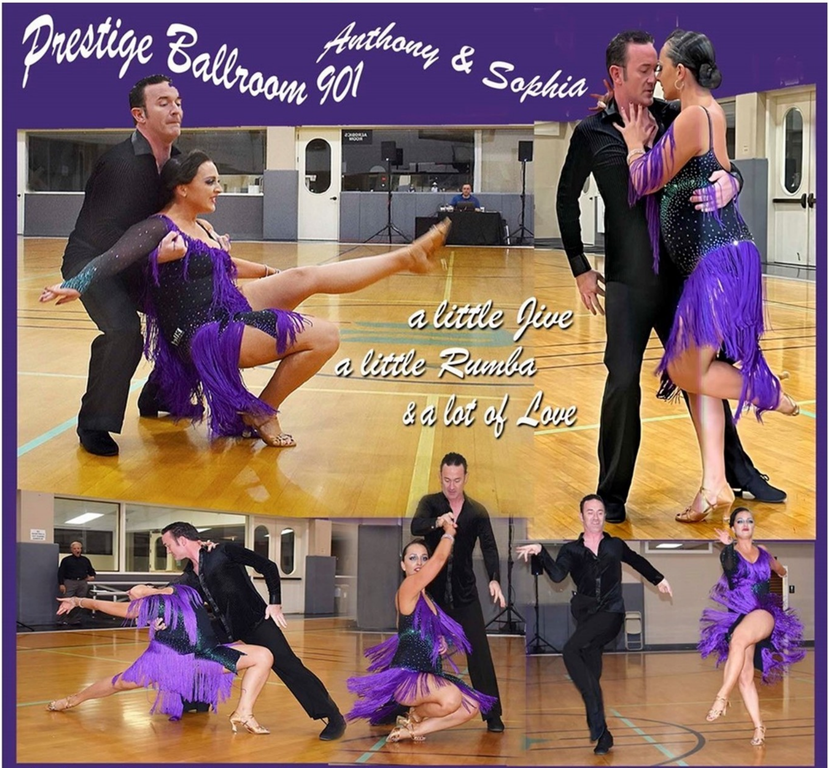


The season's first sharp chill descended on the Memphis area as fifty-seven USA Dance members, and their guests braved the cold to gather at Advent Presbyterian Church's Life Center for our dance this month. There was no chill on the dance floor as the group donned their shoes and moved to excellent music provided by Tim and Nastasya Hnat. Carole Eady designed festive fall centerpieces to enhance the mood.

November is that special time when we honor and thank our volunteers who make everything we do possible. If it were not for these hard-working people, we would have no dance. Jane Hester, long-time member of the Chapter, who has served on the Board as Volunteer Chairman for many years, was honored as our Volunteer of the Year for her dedication and work.

Our dance community is blessed with a number of superior dance studios and independent dance instructors. These are the professionals who support our dance activities by teaching us the fundamentals and how to further develop our skills. We are honored when these professionals attend our events, bring their students, and/or provide showcases, which give us an opportunity to experience the highest quality in dancing. Anthony Parks and Sophia Blunt, owners of Prestige Ballroom 901, performed two excellent showcases. Check out the montage of their dances, which begins the photo exhibit that follows. The photos also capture the fun event we all enjoyed!

Dance Photos - November Dance


Prestige Ballroom 901
Anthony & Sophia
a little Jive
a little Rumba
& a lot of Love

Anthony Parks & Sophia Blunt Pro Instructors/Owners of Prestige Ballroom showcased a sultry American style Rumba by 'Soja' and a bombastic, up-beat American Swing to "Baby Work-Out".

USA Dance chap.2012 ~ "Harvest of Thanks" ~ Nov.12, 2022

Jane Hester

Volunteer of the Year 2022

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VOLUNTEERS for 2022 ~ USA Dance chapter 2012

USA Dance chp 2012, Board of Directors: Robert White, Pres.; Sylvia Rose, V.P.; Dena Richardson, Sec.; Pam Vaughn, Treas.; Gail Mays, Dance Dir.; Barbara Cook, Membership Ch.; Jane Hester, Volunteer Ch.; Larry Moore, Parliamentarian; Jan Koulogianes, At large; Leo Koulogianes, past Board member, beloved by all (not pictured).

USA Dance chp 2012 Volunteers at large: Stephanie Allen; Markel Briones; Carole Eady, Decorations; Doug Farris, Photography; Timothy Hnat, Music; Nastasya Hnat, Web Master; Matthew & Carol Lybanon, Germantown Snr. Expo; Fernando & Wanda Martinez; Jean Oldham; Lilian Ossi, front desk; Wesley Palmer; Marilyn White and Kevin Wood.,front desk. THANK YOU ALL!

AEROBICS ROOM

BONUS
FOULS
PLAYER
FOULS
FOULS
RESTROOMS

Get those Dance Shoes on....
OR you will miss the First D

Yea, we're checking to see what they left off the program this month.

Prestige Ballroom 901

No, we don't want our pictures in the newsletter!

For God so loved th
he gave his one and only SON.

Haven't you heard about the tryouts for the Rockettes on Tuesday?

Geeeeeeeeeeeze, they left it off the program again!

THE SAMBA LINE DANCERS AT PLAY

Did you hear the rumor
they left it off intentionally?

I have no idea why they
left it off the program.

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GREEN ROOM
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the world that he gave his one

USA Dance - Greater Memphis Chapter, would like to acknowledge the following who have renewed their membership recently: **Barbara Cook, Esim Erdim, Peggy Jones, James Payne, Pam Vaughn, and Roy Victory.** Our members are the strength of our chapter, and we appreciate each and every one.

Dancers are generally the nicest and friendliest people you will ever meet and attending USA Dance events is one of the best places to meet them.

You may join or renew your membership at any of our dances or online at www.usadance.org. If you experience any problems with the online system, please contact our Membership Chairman,

Barbara Cook, at (901) 292-7782 or barbaramimi2@gmail.com.
We look forward to sharing a dance floor with you somewhere soon.

Germantown EXPO

The Greater Memphis Chapter of USA Dance has sponsored a major section of the Germantown Senior EXPO for many years. Due to COVID this event went into hiatus but reopened early this month. The dance section of the EXPO always draws large crowds, and this year was no exception. There is a wide variety of people who attend this event, and our Chapter's focus is to demonstrate that social dancing fosters healthy exercise, social interaction, and mental outlook.

We offered open dancing throughout the event to allow guests time on the dance floor. We also scheduled demonstrations of different styles/types of dance activity to educate the public about the variety of opportunities for dancing offered in the area. This year we had demonstrations of line dancing, ballet, tap, Argentine Tango, Middle Eastern Dance, and a Cha-Cha performed by our National Senior III Competition Champions, John and Kathy Linn. Throughout our exhibit time we held "cake walks" so that even non-dancers could participate. The enjoyment we had is clear in the collection of photos that follow.

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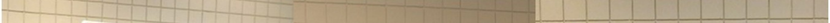

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Entertainment & News Bits

THANK YOU ~ "PRESTIGE BALLROOM 901" ~ for the showcases of Rumba and Swing. AND thank you, Anthony Parks and Sophia Blunt for your support, sharing your talent and being a friend to USA Dance. I just have to say that Sophia's costume; totally *'eye candy'*!

Christmas Gala

December's entertainment will feature our Snr. III champions, John & kathy Linn

Mark your calendar for December 10, 2022

USA Dances are the BEST! With the Board of Directors and help of volunteers, we organize and plan to bring you the Best in Dancing throughout the year. Your enjoyment includes: Photos of you at the dances; Dance mixers; Entertainment; Recorded DJ music with strict ballroom timing; the Venue at Advent Presbyterian; a Live Orchestra for your dancing pleasure twice a year; and professional entertainment by the various studios and independent dance instructors of the area. JOIN USA Dance, chp.2012.

KEEP-UP-TO-DATE with all the USA Dance NEWS and PHOTOS: **Dance related items may be posted on our FB Group: *Memphis Area Ballroom Dance*; National & Local USA Dance news is posted on FB PAGE: *USA Dance Greater Memphis Chapter 2012.* Visit our Web Site:** *usadancememphis.com* … here you will find information to become a Member of USA Dance Greater Memphis chapter 2012; one of 150 National Chapters. USA Dance is a Non Profit 501c3 Organization! ***Join or Re-new your Membership NOW*** ~ ***YOUR SUPPORT KEEPS DANCE MOVING FORWARD!***

C U On The Dance Floor, Sylvia Rose

New Opportunity at USA Dance Chapter #2012 **~** USA Dance Chapter #2012 now offers you the opportunity to honor a friend, family member, or attain recognition of your organization and its activities (if it falls within our purviews) by sponsoring one of our twelve monthly dances with a donation. USA Dance is a 501c3 non-profit organization and all donations to it are tax deductible. Details on our website or by contacting any of our Board members.

Volunteers who make our Chapter work are hard to find,
it takes special people - dedicated, generous, and kind.
This month we celebrate these people who are so rare,
whose work all the USA Dance group gets to share.
Our volunteers are far from ordinaire,
they cause our dance memories to be fond and fair.
Their dedication does so much,
they provide our Chapter its exciting touch.
These volunteers give to all of us here,
and continue to give year after year.

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