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**Greater Daytona Chapter USA Dance #6026
March 2015**



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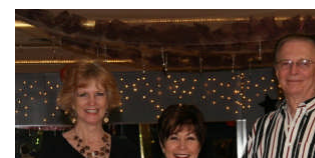
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President's Message

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Our chapter dance on February 14 included a
"Sweetheart of a Deal" for the students,
faculty, staff and alumni of the University of Central Florida, who rece
free entry to that dance. Twenty UCFers attended this dance and most,
all, took Joe Mounts' excellent East Coast Swing class. Thank you, UC
we hope that you will "keep on dancing!"



Thank you to our member, professional
photographer and male celebrity winner of Dancing With
Desire, Seth Parr, and his lovely wife Samara,
who took formal and fun portraits at our February 14
Valentine's Dance. I have included my photo as a sample
of their work. We appreciate your efforts, Seth and
Samara. :)



Beginning with our March 14 chapter dance, we are
inviting attendees to bring food to share (optional, of course) and to en
us with a showcase dance. Criteria to participate will mirror Mall Ball c

- Current members of our chapter only
- No more than 2 performances per dance
- One performance per couple or group
- Performance max time is 3 minutes.
- Performance order is first come first served.
- Performers will select the dance and the music.
- Performers may request a particular month, we cannot promise.
- No free entry for performers as we do have overhead to run our
- Spectators only charge is \$10 per person.

If you are interested in dancing for your fellow members, pass your na
me or another board member.

Our next Mall Ball is scheduled for Sunday, September 20, 2015 from 7
p.m. and will celebrate our chapter's 22nd anniversary and USA Dance
anniversary! What dance will you showcase? It is not too early for our
members to begin thinking about it. :)

In the meantime... keep on dancing!
Marta

Dance Instructors for March
March 14

Matthew Osborn teaching Samba
Lesson from 7 - 8 p.m.
Dance from 8 - 10 p.m.





Remember to review the Chapter Dance Lessons on YouTube

Thanks to our videographer, Jean Bell, our chapter dance lessons, when approved by the instructor, are available for your viewing pleasure on YouTube from our website and are now categorized by Dance and Instructor. Visit the new and improved website.

[Click here for YouTube videos](#)



DVD Lending Library

Current members of our chapter may borrow from our growing library of dance DVDs. Leave a \$25 deposit, cash or check, per DVD and you may borrow one or two DVDs for one month. For check out or return, see Henry after announcements at our dances. A complete list of available dance DVDs is included in our website at **Video Library.**



March 28

Matthew Osborn teaching Samba

This dance will include our pro hosts.

Lesson from 7 - 8 p.m.

Dance from 8 - 10 p.m.

Cost

\$10 for members of USA Dance; \$15 for non-members

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Jay Triplett

Jeff Klopfenstein

Al Gessinger

Howard Migneault

Jim Sexton

Larry Powers

Joanne Axelrod

Tony Dvorsak

Nancy Cullen

Barbara Hayes

Mario Hurley

Melvin Harris

Mignon Sexton

Monday Night Chapter-Sponsored Dance Lessons

Who: Members and Non-Members, singles and couples welcome,
no partner needed



What: ***Beginning American Tango**



PRACTICE NIGHT REMINDER !



*Thursday Night is
PRACTICE NIGHT
sponsored by the
Greater Daytona
Chapter at*

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3100 S. Ridgewood Ave.
South Daytona, FL

Come join us!
Members helping members!

TIME: 6 p m - 8 p m

\$6 members of
USA Dance

\$8 non-members of USA Dance

Don't practice until you
get it right. Practice until
you can't get it wrong.



When: Mondays - March 2, 9, 16, 23

Time: 6:30 - 7:15 pm

Cost: \$7 per person per lesson;

\$28 total paid at first lesson please, exact change is appr

Cash or check payable to USA Dance.

**Please note that when paying for one lesson at a time,
will be \$10 per lesson.**



What: **Intermediate East Coast Swing**

When: Mondays - March 2, 9, 16, 23

Time: 7:30 - 8:15 pm

Cost: \$10 per person per lesson;

\$40 total paid at first lesson please, exact c
appreciated. Cash or check payable to USA
Dance.

***Gold Star Ballroom is partnering with 1
Dance Chapter #6026 by offering free admission to Thursday Nigh
Practice to the students of Beginning American Tango for this mon
when paying for all 4 lessons. Didn't make lesson 1, but still want fi
Thursdays? Come to lesson 2 and pay for 4 lessons instead of 3 less
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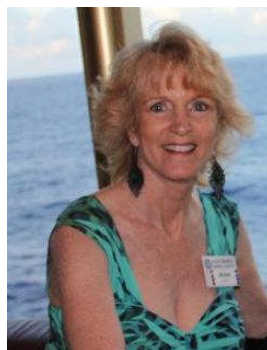
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is JULY 30, 2015 -
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CENTER STAGE
by Tom Sanders

Jean Krupa, Queen of the USA Dance Cruises. Have you ever been fortunate enough to cruise with a group and find that all your wants and expectations were fulfilled? Have you ever experienced a leader who handled every hurdle, glitch or problem your cruise resulted in the perfect vacation?

Jean Krupa enjoying a USA Dance cruise! If you answered yes to either or both of my questions, then you probably have had the pleasure of a USA Dance Cruise led by our own remarkable, Jean Krupa. Yes! The same mild mannered lady who, along with Henry Eure, provides the Central Florida USA Dance Chapter #6026 with the beautifully maintained and decorated Gold Star Ballroom. However, it is now time for you to get to know more about this intriguing and remarkable lady.

In her spare time (ha ha), she is the National Social Dance Vice President of USA Dance and is the force behind such events as the National Chapter Conference, the Florida Dance Spree (which is on our horizon) and the Dance National Cruises among other very important social activities. What does she....can she....find the time to.....stand the stress of.....creating fulfilling cruises for USA Dance members (you and me). Well! Allow me to tell you the rest of the story.

Jean has coordinated six USA Dance cruises. She has carved out time for this interview and toured various Cruise Lines in search of the perfect combination of dance floors, ship venues, and all the accessories that are essential

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perfect cruise. Each of her choices over the history of USA Dance cruises has proven to be a learning experience in search of the best cruise experience for the members.

Maybe you experienced one of these cruises. Were you on the Costa Concordia, the Holland America one; The Princess Cruises (there were two) or The Caribbean Cruise or the most recent Celebrity Silhouette? Each of these cruises was nurtured by Jean and they have their own story. Cruisers are often unaware of the behind the scenes frustrations of dealing with last minute changes in venues or schedules, criticisms, suggestions etc. So, the only thing we know is that there was lots of dancing, lots of lessons, lots of laughter and lots of fun. Fun for us because the Queen of USA Dance cruising put on the tiara and took charge. I asked her some questions before writing this Stage article; here are some insights into the generation of such an event that no one is ever aware of.

Tom: How do you choose the time of year?

Jean: Mostly, I listen to USA Dance members' suggestions. Our members in the great north wish to get away in the winter. Of course, the Florida members always opt for a cruise. In addition, I look back at the USA Dance cruise history for the best results. The winner is early December, however, sometimes the time of year is governed by the ports of call the ship will visit (i.e. Alaska).

Tom: Who tells you what to do?

Jean: I am given a budget formula and work within its parameters to create a memorable cruise experience for all. I have full responsibility for all the decisions.

Tom: After you have done the research, which Cruise line do you choose?

Jean: I have a list of must-haves: dining accommodations to ensure the USA Dance members can sit together, venues suitable for dance workshops, a venue to hold the welcome party and a designated hostess area for the members to have access to information and the volunteer support staff.

Tom: How do you select your Dance Instructors and Support Staff?

Jean: I try to select the best! Dan Calloway and Silke Calloway fit the category. Dan is Chair of Judges for many USA Dance events and has the highest accreditations. Others are selected through recommendations from dance professionals who lead the DanceSport side of USA Dance. The volunteer support staff is comprised of my most reliable allies. Most are locally available and have displayed their reliability and dedication in providing the members with the perfect cruise. Dance Hosts are selected based on their dance-ability, personality and their willingness to act as additional support staff.

Tom: Jean, please tell us about the theme nights.

Jean: The theme nights were first a suggestion that I complied with, however, they have become fun and creative. The first theme night is

patriotic America to accentuate that we are USA Dance. Other theme are inspired by the ports that we will visit, color of formal gowns and that are socially hot in pop culture at the time.

Tom: What do you need to bring with you on the Cruise?

Jean: I need to create an entire office in my cabin. I need my computer, an office kit, music systems for the instructors, welcome and bags for the USA Dance cruisers, signs and labels for the dance and to the hosted ladies.

Tom: Which cruise lines were your favorites and why?

Jean: I have two favorites: Costa and Celebrity. The level of service availability of the Cruise Lines Event Coordinator makes all the difference. Being able to make adjustments in a timely manner insures the USA Dance members' satisfaction.

These questions are just a sampling of what I thought you should know you ask? Because, when you sign on and begin your vacation, the last thing you realize is what is going on behind the scene. That is as it should be. It is your vacation. However, I get to see this Queen of USA Dance Cruise, Jean, use her charm to lead her team, and fend off potential situations that affect the ultimate goal of providing the best and most enjoyable vacation for USA Dance members. A lot of patience and poise are required as she works through challenges. She is a master at handling those who need extra attention through various situations that occur. The hardest job of all is to keep everyone happy all the time. Something she is better at than most of us.

When asked if there was a Cruise event or a moment or a person that she held in her heart forever, she recalled the USA Dance members who were on the tour of Puerto Rico and the real tour of San Juan she experienced better than any excursion could offer.

There is also the unusual, that we can laugh about now, but was alarming at the time. It was a May day alarm on the Alaskan cruise when our ship had to turn around to take part in a rescue of a yacht in danger of capsizing that was occupied by two people and a dog. Another was the time the cruise experienced rough seas that caused all but one dance instructor to suffer from seasickness. We can laugh about those events now since they turned out to be nothing.

Putting together a USA Dance Cruise is a monumental task. But, as we know, Jean is at it again. The upcoming USA Dance cruise is extra special as it celebrates the 50th Anniversary of USA Dance. Leave it to the Queen of USA Dance to celebrate such a milestone then on Cunard Lines Queen Mary 2. Queen Mary 2 sports the largest wooden dance floor on the high seas. Queen Jean will preside over her Court and insure that the elegance and glory of USA Dance deserves is realized with all its fanfare and glory.

The next time you see Jean, please thank her for the way she takes care of USA Dance members in all her social events. Thank you, Queen Jean!

**DANCE SCHEDULE FOR
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INFO: 407-831 3680

DANCE SCHEDULE

BLUE SPRINGS USA Dance #6086

Dances are held on the first or second Sunday at the Chisholm Center, 520 South Clara Avenue, DeLand beginning April 7.

Admission is \$6 members; \$10 non-members; \$3 students.

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