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NATIONAL CHAPTER OF THE YEAR 2017!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

1st Place Winner:

[National Membership Contest](#) October 2017

Honorable Mention- National Chapter of Year 2013 & 2015!

[National Chapter of the Year 2011](#)

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May 2018 Newsletter



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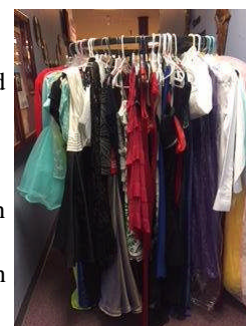
Dear Members and Future Members,

Thank you for **donating prom dresses**, shoes and accessories for needy girls in Palatka. Our chapter was a big help on short notice, thanks to your generosity.



We have a signed contract with Volusia Mall for our **10th annual Mall Ball** which will be held on **Sunday, September 16, 2018.**

It is not too early to think about which one or two dances (time permitting) you would like to dance in it.



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 in APRIL???**

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 including free dance lessons,
 totaling \$66.

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 Chapter Dance Lessons on
 YouTube**

Our Chapter will celebrate our **25th Anniversary** this September. Our board has decided, for various reasons, to celebrate this momentous occasion on **Saturday, December 1**. Please **SAVE THE DATE**; you won't want to miss this fun-filled and action-packed night of dancing and performances. **Melanie Sandvig** (Orlando), independent dance instructor/coach, decorated pro competitor, and amazing performer is scheduled to **teach a Paso Doble lesson** followed by **three performances**, to include Paso Doble, throughout the evening. Melanie is a delightful lady who dances EVERY dance with passion and unbridled enthusiasm. You won't want to miss this special evening! And, if you need a reference regarding her dancing, Bobby and Monica Wiech have seen her dance competitively many times. :)

This is an **election year** for our chapter, with elections being held in November or December of this year. Are you interested in serving on our **chapter board of directors or perhaps serving as a committee chairman**? We will be asking for formal nominees in the next month or so. In the meantime...

Keep on dancing!

Marta

Outreach Events

Coordinators
Geoff & PaoChen Davis

The **OUTREACH TEAM** completed a very successful event on April 11, 2018, at the **Daytona Beach Health and Rehabilitation Center**. A total of 14 volunteers from our chapter danced for and with more than 40 residents of the facility for over an hour. Pictures of the event may be viewed at:
<https://tinyurl.com/ybs5lvvj>



Our next OUTREACH EVENT is scheduled for **May 14, 2018**, from 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM at the **Opis Coquina Center** located in Ormond Beach.

You might ask yourself: "What happens at an OUTREACH EVENT?"

For those venues with mostly older persons as our audience, the event normally consists of about **one hour of playing music and dancing for and with the residents**. We solicit volunteers, who must be members of USA Dance, any chapter, to join us at the event and normally 10-18 members attend. The music includes all types of ballroom dance music, both Latin and smooth. We sometimes throw in a line dance and/or a "mini-mixer."

Volunteers need NOT be proficient dancers; beginners are always welcome. If volunteers are not familiar with a particular dance or just want to "sit one out," we encourage them to hold the hands of the residents and sway with the music. Many of the residents get very little physical contact and the OUTREACH EVENT is a highlight for their day or even their week.

For additional information or if you would like to be on our mailing list for future events, please send an E-MAIL to either of us or give us a call. **We always welcome more members on the OUTREACH TEAM.** See you on the dance floor soon. Best regards,

Geoffrey Davis
 N23GD@YAHOO.COM

PaoChen Davis
 PaoChenDavis@YAHOO.COM

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. Click below to visit the website.

[Click here for YouTube videos](#)

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DVD Lending Library More than 100 VIDEOS!

Current members of our chapter may borrow from our growing library of **DANCE VISION** 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.](#)



PRACTICE NIGHT REMINDER !



**TUESDAY Night is
Practice Night!**
sponsored by the
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Join us! Get comfortable being
on the dance floor!

Dancers helping dancers!

TIME: 7 p m - 8:30 p m

Only \$5.

*membership not required

386-679-4628

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May Chapter Dances

Saturday, May 12



Artur Kozun, 9-dance Polish Champion, now of Oceans Dance Studio and member of our chapter, will be teaching and performing Waltz with his professional partner, Natasha Barrera, also a member of our chapter, at this dance. Don't miss it!

Below is a link of Artur and Natasha dancing competitively. Beautiful, don't you think?

<https://www.facebook.com/TheSouthOpenChampionships/videos/2148179465499716/>



Artur teaching Waltz

Lesson from 7 - 8 p.m.

Dance from 8 - 10 p.m.

Performance approximately ~9 p.m.

Cost: \$10 for members of USA Dance; \$15 for non-members
\$5 for students of public schools or higher ed under age 25

Saturday, May 26



Tom Sanders teaching Salsa

Lesson from 7 - 8 p.m.

Dance from 8 - 10 p.m.

Cost: \$10 for members of USA Dance; \$15 for non-members
\$5 for students of public schools or higher ed under age 25

Note: To join our chapter, go to greaterdaytonachapter.org.

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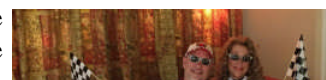
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South Daytona Business Park

THE 22nd Annual DANCE SPREE

Thank you, Daytona! It was a wonderful Dance Spree event! As the organizer, I wish to thank the





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If you are enjoying the world of
Ballroom Dance,
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to show your support and
reap the personal benefits of
membership!

Not to mention financial - being a
member of the Greater Daytona
Chapter has over \$200 in benefits.

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*The extra \$10.00 goes to the
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We do appreciate your help!



Please do your part;
clear your table and discard
your cups and napkins
in the trash receptacles as
you exit the ballroom.
Thank you.

Greater Daytona Chapter Team and the membership who stepped up and helped make this a great event. The Team: Henry Eure, Marta Pascale Haines, Bobby and Monica Wiech and I made decisions to step it up a notch in terms of menus, décor and more. Helpers: Mignon Sexton, Bob Wann, Rowena Rampersad and Clarence Pan for decorating and setting up for the Spree, Bobby Wiech for photography, Monica Wiech, Tom and Jo Sanders, Marta and Fred Haines for desk duties. Clarence for unending energy in the kitchen; Greg and Tami Marcum along with Tom and Jo Sanders for help with lunch Saturday, and the Marcum's, Wiech's, Haines', Henry and Clarence for assisting to clean up Saturday night. If I have omitted anyone, it was not intentional and please know I do appreciate your assistance. WE appreciate it.

Friday night was so much fun. Thanks to Tom and Jo Sanders for teaching the Salsa class, with close to 80, before dinner. After a wonderful Mexican buffet, we kicked off the evening with the Chapter Parade, we will share the video of the Chapters on Parade a little later, leading it off with Team Daytona (vroom, vroom!) in the race car manned by Jim Sexton and Fred Haines followed by the other chapters. We proceeded into the Team Match, with 6 teams from chapters and combined chapters. Team (vroom, vroom!) Daytona consisting of Mignon and Jim Sexton, Bobby and Monica Wiech, Rowena Rampersad and Bob Wann and Cindy Smith partnering with Bobby Wiech, came in 2nd by 1 point.



Chapter Presidents, Social Vice President Leland Whitney and Dance Spree Organizer Jean Krupa

Daytona Chapter members started the Dance with a Snowball Mixer by seeking out someone from one of the 13 visiting chapters for a Waltz. Later, during the 30/30/30 raffle, Jim Sexton won one of the \$50. prizes, and... WHAT?! ...on Saturday night, Mignon Sexton won one of the \$56. prizes. The Jack and Jill contest came later on Friday night and, after several eliminations, we had our winners, Mike Johnston from the Tampa Chapter and Elisabeth Fischer from the Tallahassee Chapter. We shut it down at 11 pm and set up for the dance workshops the next day.

Saturday morning, everyone started arriving for the morning workshops led by Vi and Angel Ionita. At lunch, a hungry crowd devoured the sandwiches and prepared for the afternoon classes by Bonnie Morisset, Joe Mounts and Caleb Young. Meanwhile, a Chapter Leadership meeting was being held in an adjacent room with 16 Chapter Presidents and/or Board members present while Leland Whitney, the newly appointed Social Dance Vice President conducted the meeting.

After the last workshop, we quickly cleaned up, put away the room dividers and set up decorations for the evening. After a quick rush home to shower and change, we arrived back at Gold Star for a wonderful prime rib and salmon dinner. After dinner and after the chapter Presidents were introduced, all board members were asked to select a partner from a visiting chapter to lead the opening Snowball Mixer.



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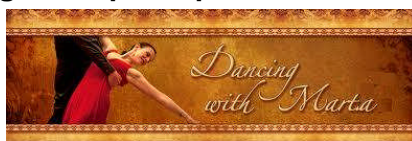
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Our members, Monica and Bobby Wiech, received their much deserved District 9 Volunteers of the Year award presented by Leland Whitney. Our members, Denny Bolling and Chris Carr, gave a sweet Foxtrot fusion performance to "I Only Have Eyes For You." Visitors Mike Johnston and Tracey Zirfas performed a sassy swing to "Hey, Mickey," and returned with Mike's wife, Peg Johnston, dancing a 3 person Cha Cha to "Coca Cola" followed by the Dance Mirage Formation Team of Angela and Viorel Ionita, Tami and Greg Marcum, and Monica and Bobby Wiech performing a Tango/Paso Doble to "Pirates of the Caribbean." Thank you to all the performers for making it a memorable evening!

We loved the energy in the room, hated to see everyone go, but around 11:05 p.m., we had to shoo away the remaining 60 people of about 140 in attendance. We plan to do it all again next year, same time, same place. If you missed all the fun this year, you really should consider joining us next year.

Jean Krupa, Dance Spree Organizer

Monday Night Chapter-Sponsored Dance Lessons



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

What: **Beginning Hustle**

When: Mondays - May 7, 14, 21 and 28 (Memorial Day)

Time: 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.



Cost: \$7 per person per lesson, \$28 total, when paying for all 4 lessons at lesson #1 or \$10 pay as you go. Exact change is appreciated. Cash or check payable to USA Dance, no refunds. Thank you for understanding. **Note: Those who pay for 4 beginning lessons at lesson #1 will receive free entry to Tuesday night practice sessions.**



What: **Intermediate Cha Cha**

When: Mondays - May 7, 14, 21 & 28 (Mem Day)

Time: 8:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Cost: \$10 per person per lesson or \$40 for all 4 weeks. Exact change is appreciated. Cash or check payable to USA Dance, no refunds. Thank you for understanding.

Where: Gold Star Ballroom

3100 S. Ridgewood Avenue, South Daytona

Use 3090 S. Ridgewood as your GPS address.



500 feet west of Ridgewood Avenue off Venture Drive; look for Sandy Point Progressive Sports and a sign for the South Daytona Business Park on the corner. Questions? Contact Marta at martausadance@cfl.rr.com or call 386-562-0590.

VOLUNTEERS MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Friends, remember we are an all volunteer organization and we welcome your help to set up and clean up after the dances . . .

Thanking you in advance for bringing something to share... we always welcome the great treats brought by our members!



Center Stage

by Tom Sanders

USA Dance's DANCING VETERAN

This month's Center Stage is about one of our most popular USA Dance chapter members. Any given day at any dance venue, outreach or dance event you will hear someone say, "Where is Ben?" Yes, we are referring to Ben Taylor. You might think of Ben as a dedicated dancer, socialite and friend, but there is so much more for you to admire.

He is one of our well-decorated Veterans. He joined the U.S. Navy in 1962 and served in Vietnam. As a Navy Reserve Civil Engineering Officer, he was recalled to active duty and was deployed to Afghanistan in 2003. Being an over-achiever, he rose in rank from an enlisted sailor to Chief Petty Officer and during his tenure earned the rank of Lieutenant Commander.

He served in the Navy for 26 1/2 years. During his tenure as a Sea Bee, he made his way to the Admiral's staff in Washington DC and served as the enlisted training officer for all incoming Sea Bees.



He is revered for his organizational management skills and continued to use his skills to serve as a career coordinator and Dean in colleges in Illinois, Texas, Kentucky, and Missouri. He continues to be a dedicated Navy man even after his retirement and recently was invited to take part in an event in the

Capitol Rotunda.

Now that we know him better for his service to his country, let's get to know him as we all do on the dance floor. Ben began his dance instruction in 2007, but truly got hooked in 2011. His favorite dances are Cha Cha, Rumba, Bachata, Salsa, Swing. Yes, he is a fan of that Latin beat. Name the day and you can count on Ben being in a dance venue. USA Dance, Gold Star, The Moose, Rockin' Ranch, Club 1250, Palm Coast VFW, he frequents them all. USA Dance Outreach events wouldn't be the same without him. He also attends three dance lessons each week and boasts about dancing Salsa in China.

So, next time you hear someone say "Where's Ben?" help that person find him and introduce yourself to our local dancing Veteran who serves the US Navy and USA Dance every day!

Quote of the Month



Why walk your way through life
when you can dance?

DANCE SCHEDULE:
ORLANDO USA Dance #6002
www.orlando-usadance.com

Dances are held on the 2nd Saturday
Crystal Ballroom Dance Club



1271 State Rd 436 Suite 147, Casselberry
All ages, all levels, singles & couples
TIME: 7:30 - 8 p.m. group lesson included in price of admission;
General dancing is from
8 until 11 p.m.
Admission is \$8 for USA Dance Members;
\$12 -non-Members
INFO: 407-831 3680

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**DANCE SCHEDULE:**

**BLUE SPRINGS USA Dance #6086 ~ ~ ~**

Dances are held on the **first or second Sunday (depending on Holidays)** at the **Chisholm Center**, 520 South Clara Avenue, Deland.

TIME: 5:30 p.m. group lesson included in price of admission. General dancing is from 6 p.m. until 8:30 p.m.

Admission is \$8 for USA Dance members;  
\$12 non-members; \$3 students.  
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