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**Honorable Mention- National Chapter of Year 2013 & 2015!**

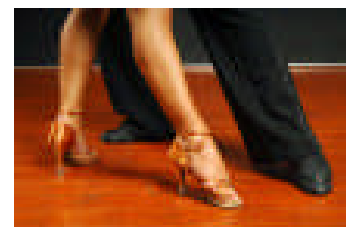
***National Chapter of the Year 2011***

**District 9 (Florida) Chapter of the Year**

**2009 and 2011 and 2013 and 2015**

**HAPPY FOOT**

**September 2017 Newsletter**



### Questions???

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### PAID ADVERTISING

### President's Message

Dear Members and Future Members,

How fortunate we are! **Christine Lys and Michael Murphy, married Senior II (ages 45 - 55) dance partners**, who will be representing USA Dance at the World Championships in Spain in November,



were in town from San Diego and needed a dance venue in order to practice. They found Gold Star and consented to dance for us at our August 12 chapter dance! As we watched them dance Cha Cha and Jive, I think most of us would have believed them to be 20 something! Wow!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Thank you, Chris and Michael! And, best of luck in Spain!

Thank you to all the **generous donors who helped raise \$1100** on the occasion of Gold Star Ballroom's 4th Anniversary! Jean and Henry, we appreciate what you have done for our dance community and we wish you many more successful years!

Reminder - The USA Dance, Inc. Governing Council welcomes you to participate in a **membership contest** which will run from August 1 until the end of National



Place your ad here for:

1 month for \$20  
2 months for \$30  
6 months for \$60

Contact Marta at  
386-562-0590 for details.

**HEY, WHAT'S HAPPENING  
in September???**

**CLICK HERE TO VIEW CALENDAR**



**Thank you for renewing**

Ballroom Dance Week, September 24.

- All chapters will receive a \$5.00 incentive for every member who **joins or renews** from **August 1 - September 24**.
- The chapters with the highest PERCENTAGE increase of members will receive a prize:
  - 1st Place - \$400
  - 2nd Place - \$200
  - 3rd Place - \$100
- Winners will be announced on October 9, 2017.

**Even if you recently joined or renewed**, you may extend your membership after August 1 by an additional 12 months and it will count toward this contest. For example, my membership expires in February 2018. However, I will renew again after August 1. Doing so will extend my membership to February 2019 and allow our chapter to be credited for my renewal as it relates to this contest. Won't you consider doing the same? **And, THANK YOU to all who have already done so!**

Additionally, we would like all the **student dancers** at South Daytona Elementary and Sweetwater Elementary to be members of our chapter. **Thank you to those of you who have donated \$10 per student to support this goal.**

Thank you to our Outreach Coordinators, Geoff and PaoChen Davis, and our wonderful Outreach volunteers for their efforts at **AMI Kids** in August. We appreciate you!



Thank you also to the following who attended the **South Daytona Meet the Teacher** event. We appreciate you!

Mignon Sexton  
Jean Krupa and Henry Eure  
Robin Robinson  
Chris Carr and Denny Bolling  
Jo and Tom Sanders

Is one of our members an **Allstate Insurance Agent** or would your Allstate Insurance Agent be willing to join our chapter? If so, we can apply for a \$1500 grant. Thank you for helping with this request.

While we usually hold our annual **Mall Ball** in September, this year our annual Mall Ball will be held on **Sunday, October 15**, at the Volusia Mall. We wanted Sunday, October 22, however, the Mall is not available on that date due to the

When you renew in 2017,  
you will receive thank you gifts,  
including free dance lessons,  
totaling \$66.  
Why? Because we appreciate YOU!



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**Remember you can 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. Click below to visit the website.

[Click here for YouTube videos](#)

See us on  
**You Tube**

## **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.**

holidays. Request for dancers will be sent on or about September 1.

Keep on dancing!

*Marta*

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## **September Chapter Dances**



**Saturday, September 9**

**Diedre teaching American Tango**

**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



**Saturday, September 23 - Celebrating our chapter's 24th anniversary**

**Special performances by members Kaye and Steve Brook**

**Diedre teaching American Tango**

**Lesson from 7 - 8 p.m.**

**Dance from 8 - 10 p.m.**

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**Note: To join our chapter, go to [greaterdaytonachapter.org](http://greaterdaytonachapter.org).**

Not a member? Be a member!

Only \$35 for a full 12 months as a social dancer

and receive a return of \$226, including dance lessons!

How? Check out Benefits of Membership at

[greaterdaytonachapter.org](http://greaterdaytonachapter.org)



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**Gold Star Ballroom**

Home of Greater Daytona Chapter

3100 S. Ridgewood Avenue, South Daytona

Phone 386-315-4258

**Use 3090 S. Ridgewood as your GPS address.**

500 feet west of Ridgewood Avenue, off Venture Drive in the  
South Daytona Business Park



## **Help Us Welcome Our New Members**

Elizabeth Haught

Cindy Smith

Maxine Hicks

Connie Meadows

Richard Meadows

Fina Nielsen





Joseph Zobian  
Jaime Lesage  
Sherry Harrison  
Deborah Cory  
Cathy Safariak  
Rick Safariak

## PRACTICE NIGHT REMINDER !



**TUESDAY Night is  
Practice Night!**  
sponsored by the  
Greater Daytona Chapter

**Gold Star** ★

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



## WE WANT YOU!

If you are enjoying the world of  
Ballroom Dance,  
NOW is the time  
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.

12 full months for only:  
Social Dancer \$35.00  
Ballroom Dancer \$45.00\*

## Monday Night Chapter-Sponsored Dance Lessons



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



What: **Beginning Quickstep**

When: Mondays - September 11, 18, 25 (not Sept. 4)

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

Cost: \$7 per person per lesson or \$21 total when paid in  
full at the first lesson. Otherwise, \$10 pay as you go. Exact  
change is appreciated. Cash or check payable to USA  
Dance, no refunds. Thank you for understanding.



What: **Beginning Merengue**

When: Mondays - Sept. 11, 18, 25 (not Sept. 4)

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

Cost: \$7 per person per lesson or \$21 total  
when paid in full at the first lesson. Otherwise,  
\$10 pay as you go. Exact change is appreciated.  
Cash or check payable to USA Dance, no  
refunds. Thank you for understanding.

**Gold Star** ★

Where: **Gold Star Ballroom**

3100 S. Ridgewood Avenue, South Daytona

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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](mailto:martausadance@cfl.rr.com) or  
call 386-562-0590.

**Dr. Bigman**

**Dances, Takes Flight and Loves Her Patients!**

by Tom Sanders

Have you ever had the opportunity to meet someone whose life  
was a statement to excellence, compassion, dedication and  
achievement! Well, let me introduce you to Dr. Karin Bigman,  
Oncologist, Dancer, and Theater Arts Dance Performer! This  
rising star dancer has already carved her name into the hallowed  
halls of medicine and now is conquering the intense world of





\*The extra \$10.00 goes to the  
Archie Hazelwood Fund  
to support national social dance projects.



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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.**



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#6026 of USA Dance  
is sponsored in part by the  
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**It's So Easy.....**  
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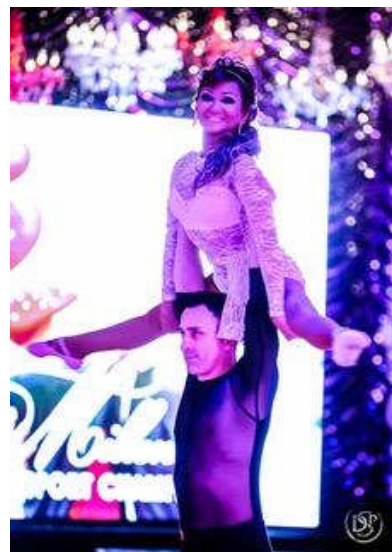
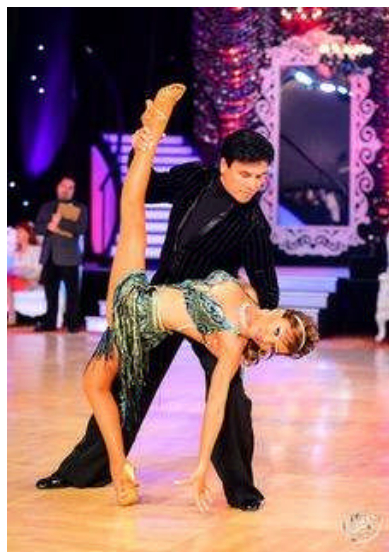
dance.

Originally from New York, she attained her medical degree from Sinai College Boston University and then Mount Sinai School of Medicine in NYC. She chose oncology because she wanted to help people like her grandmother who was a cancer patient. Her grandmother was the biggest influence in Karin's life. It was as she blew kisses from the street to her grandmother in Sloan Kettering that she committed herself to her career. Remarkably, her grandmother was cured of her lymphoma but lost her battle to a related cancer 10 years later. She recalls as a chief resident getting a call that her grandmother was taken to the hospital and was in a coma. She left immediately and flew to Florida, arrived in time to receive a smile and loving nod, and a squeeze of her hand before her grandmother took her last breath. Just like in a movie, Karin knows she waited for her. She always instilled the fact that Karin could do ANYTHING she wanted to do, as long as she worked hard at it, and encouraged her to be a doctor! That's where her love and passion of oncology started. She has a passion and a calling for this difficult and rewarding career.

Her interest toward dance was spurred by one of her patients, a championship dancer with her late husband, who would tell Karin stories and show her beautiful pictures and newspaper clippings to see. Karin knew in her heart that one day she would love to do that.

As dancers often do, she referred Karin to a local teacher. Little did she know that was Felix Solis, now a large part of her life! However, her first real encounter with dance was a group Salsa class with Kevin Guerra. She says she was pathetic, no she reiterated, she was so horrible that she couldn't get the basic salsa step for a few months. But, her persistence kept her going to group classes despite her two left feet. Upon Kevin's recommendation, she finally took the step to contact Felix and take private lessons. Although, she tried to take the first step, she actually finally got to meet Felix on Halloween 2015 at Kevin's Rocking Ranch Halloween party where Felix's smooth opening line was "Will you take a selfie with me." The rest is history!

The dancing and learning was about to become intense. She threw herself into a regiment of private lessons, joined USA Dance, and found another passion in which to achieve excellence. Private lessons led her to Mini Match Competitions. Mini Match Competitions led her to DanceSport Competitions where she attained another major accomplishment dancing with Felix. She credits his continued patience and direction for her success in the Millennium Competition. She states it is not always about winning - it's knowing that she danced well that really matters. Ok, she admits, the winning is nice too! Now, she displays her plethora of trophies and awards for all her patients to see in her medical office!



As she experienced the Dance Competitions, she became enthralled with a dance form entitled Theatre Arts. Felix encouraged her to pursue this additional dance form and introduced her to Craig Smith, a World Champion in Theater Arts and now her Theater Arts dance teacher. She never knew she would feel so comfortable in the air. After taking one lesson, she was hooked! That was 6 months ago; and as of today, she can boast of her biggest accomplishment, The Best of the Best in Theatre Arts at the Millennium DanceSport in June! This being one of the largest DanceSport Competitions in the USA qualifies her to compete in the prestigious Ohio Star Ball this November.

So, excellence, passion, determination and accomplishment are the adjectives that define Karin. However, she is modest and compassionate; and, when I ask her to brag for me, she can only

right here in Volusia County.

How much does it cost?

The first-time cost of a State of the Arts plate is \$32 in addition to your vehicle's normal registration fee at time of renewal.

Of that, \$20 is tax deductible. Future renewals are only \$22 each year in addition to the normal registration fee with \$20 again being tax deductible.

To re-order: At renewal, simply state you would like a "State of the Arts" plate and include a check for \$32 along with your renewal notice.

or ...

Visit your local tag office, turn in your current plate and receive your new "Arts Plate" on the spot for \$32. Gift certificates for State of the Arts plates are also available at your local tag office and make great gifts that also help our community.

It's a great way to be a Driving Force for the Arts!



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express the thanks directed toward her friends, colleagues, patients and her incredible teachers, as well as the dance community who support her dance efforts each day!

What's next for Dr. Karin Bigman? Who knows ??? Like Grandma Fina told her.... She can do anything she wants to! And, yes, she is doing it!

## Quote of the Month

"Perfection is not attainable, but if we chase perfection, we can catch excellence."

Vince Lombardi



## As promised at our August 26 chapter dance...

The following was located in a box in the attic of Marta's friend. The box belonged to the friend's long deceased mother and contained various written documents.

Lord, you know that I am growing older.  
Keep me from becoming talkative and possessed with the idea  
that I must express myself on every subject.  
Release me from the craving to straighten out everyone's affairs.  
Keep me from the recital of endless detail.  
Give me wings to get to the point.  
Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be wrong.  
Make me thoughtful but not nosy, helpful but not bossy.  
With my vast store of wisdom and experience,  
it does seem a pity not to use it all.  
But, you know, Lord, I do want a few friends at the end.  
Amen

**DANCE SCHEDULE:**  
**ORLANDO USA Dance #6002**  
[www.orlando-usadance.com](http://www.orlando-usadance.com)



**Dances are held on the 2nd Saturday**  
Maitland Presbyterian Church Family Life Center

**341 N. Orlando Ave (Rte. 17-92), Maitland**  
**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**

**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.  
INFO: 386-259-4074.**



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