

NATIONAL CHAPTER OF THE YEAR 2011

**District 9 Chapter of the Year
2009 and 2011**

**Greater Daytona Chapter
USA Dance #6026**

September 2012

HAPPY FEET

President's Message



Dear Members and Future Members,

We had a great time at the Sebring Social working on our West Coast Swing taught by local instructor, Joe Mounts. If you missed it, you may want to pencil this annual event in for next year. Our very own Jean Krupa, the organizer of this event, does a great job of assuring that a good time is had by

all. Thanks, Jean!

Our annual Mall Ball, in honor of National Ballroom Dance Week, is scheduled for Sunday, September 16, from noon - 4 p.m. at the Volusia Mall. The event includes performances by our members and lots of general dancing. We hope you will join us for this no cost Outreach event sponsored by the Greater Daytona Chapter USA Dance #6026.

Do you have some "biker" dance clothing? If so, let's show our stuff at our October 13 dance, optional, of course.

Don't forget about our annual Costume Contest scheduled for our October 27 dance. First prize will be \$50; 2nd prize \$35; 3rd prize \$25. Couples will count as one entry. Let's see how creative everyone can be this year. :)

November 10 will be our Wounded Warrior Appreciation Ball with all profit going to this worthy fundraiser. Therefore, we will not be accepting free passes on November 10. Thank you for understanding.

By popular request, November 24 will be our second Dance Boutique. Therefore, we will have no lesson this night. The boutique is too disruptive to the instructor and students in the lesson. Do you have dance-related items that you do not use for whatever reason? If so, why not bring them to our Dance Boutique to sell? Please note that 10% of your proceeds will be donated to our chapter. We thank you in advance for supporting our Dance Boutique.

There will be no dance on December 8 due to the National USA Dance Cruise. Why not join us on the cruise?

Our only December dance is scheduled for December 22 with a Bolero lesson taught by Jerry Lawrence of Lawrence Dance Studio. We hope to see you then in your holiday finery, optional, of course. :)

Keep on dancing! Marta

UPCOMING CHAPTER ELECTIONS

This is an election year for the Board of Directors of the Greater Daytona Chapter USA Dance #6026 The purpose of elections is to allow chapter members the opportunity to volunteer to serve as Board Members and to allow the members to select their chapter's leadership at least every two years.

Per by-laws, the chapter shall be managed by a Board of Directors of not less than seven (7) and not more than nine (9) Voting Members of both USA Dance and the chapter consisting of at least a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer and three (3) to five (5) Directors-at-Large. The Board of Directors shall elect the Chapter's officers.

The by-laws have changed in recent years. Currently, the members elect 7 - 9 Directors. The members do not elect the president, vice president, secretary or treasurer. Once the 7 - 9 Directors are elected, they elect the officers (president, vice president, secretary and treasurer). This is an important distinction from the by-laws of a few years ago.

Positions such as Newsletter Editor, Webmaster, Membership Chairman, etc. are not board positions. They could be attached to a board position or could be appointed by the board. But they are not board positions.

Our election date is November 24, a dance night.

The Nominating and Elections (N&E) Committee made up of Chairman Greg Marcum, Jean Bell and Geoff Davis are soliciting for consideration, until September 30, for interested current members in good standing to be on the ballot. If interested, please contact one of them directly at the email addresses below no later than September 30. There is also a petition option to have your name placed on the ballot. In order to guarantee placement on the official ballot, the member in good standing must have collected signatures from 10% of the current voting members affiliated with the chapter or 20 members (whichever is less). In our case, it would be 20 members. Present the petition to a member of the N & E Committee no later than September 30. Contact a member of the N&E for a Request for Signatures form.

Chairman of the N&E Committee, Greg Marcum
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Current board members and Directors are:

Marta Pascale, President

Polly Foster, Vice President

Jean Krupa, Treasurer

Tom Sanders, Secretary

Henry Eure, Director at Large

Clarence Pan, Director at Large

Carol Edwards, Director at Large

Jean Tauber, Director at Large

Valerie VonSchriltz, Director at Large

Dance Instructor for September Dances

Jerry Lawrence of Lawrence Dance Studio teaching **Cha Cha** on September 8 and 22

Lesson from 7 - 7:50 p.m. Dance from 7:50 - 10:00 p.m.



Be sure to welcome our new members!

Tess Sparhawk and Jeff Phelps who have transferred to us from Boise, Idaho

Linda and Ralph Zwolinski Anita Wilson Lauren Clarke
Judy Young Lois Carter Randy Kelley Jan Geyer

Did you know that new members to our chapter receive free dance lessons and other incentives totalling \$312.99 for your \$25 12-month social dancer membership? Check the [Benefits of New Membership](#) page from our chapter website(greaterdaytonachapter.org) for more information.

Did you know that our renewed members, \$25 for a 12- month membership as a social dancer, receive \$123 worth of thank yous for renewing? Yes, a \$25 gift certificate from our newest business partner, Masterpiece Jewelers, American Dancer magazine, 4 group lessons from Lawrence Dance Studio, a month's worth of Tuesday night lessons at Lighthouse Pointe, a free pass to our dance, and a static cling decal for a total value of \$124 for your \$25 investment in our chapter. Check out [Benefits of Renewed Membership](#) on our chapter website (greaterdaytonachapter.org).

Chapter-sponsored Beginning Dance Lessons will continue in September.

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

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What: Beginning Rumba

When: Tuesdays - Sept. 25, Oct. 2, 9 and 16

Lesson from 7 - 8 p.m. followed by 15 minutes of practice

Where: Lighthouse Pointe Clubhouse

Cost: \$6 per person per lesson



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To Cruise or To Dance Cruise - That is the Question by Tom Sanders

My wife, Jo, and I have been on many cruises. What enticed us at first was the opportunity to see the world and to dance together each night, meeting new friends along the way. I always found it interesting to learn why others chose a cruise vacation. Some longed for peace and quiet or to catch up on a good book. Others wanted to see new sights. Many took advantage of the shows and shopping. This is all good and well for some, but not for the USA Dance enthusiast. So, my question to you is do you want to cruise or do you want to **DANCE CRUISE**?

We are social people. We are fun! We have a desire to learn, to perform, and, yes, even to show off a little. Do you fit any part of this description? Well, then a **DANCE CRUISE** is for you! Where else can you spend a week with 200 or more instant friends from around the country who share your interest and passion?

Our days include dance lessons from world class professional instructors and continue into the evening with Theme Dances. Couples fill the dance floor along with Hosted Ladies who dance the night away with charming Dance Hosts. I bet you can guess what we do after the Hosted Dance. Yes, that is correct, we dance some more!

So, what are you waiting for! There is another **USA Dance Cruise** on the horizon. Don't be shy. Ask us about the experience. Talk to Jean Krupa and Henry Eure, the supreme party planners. Ask Marta Pascale who strives to assure that the Hosted Ladies are well cared for. Ask John Pascale or Tom Sanders what it's like to be a Dance Host. Ask Jo Sanders about her experience as a Hosted Lady.

Don't miss out! We sail again from Fort Lauderdale on December 1. Join us for the fun and memories!

OUTREACH

Thank you, **Jean Tauber**, for coordinating with Macy's and the Home Show.

Thank you, **Polly Foster**, for coordinating with the dancers.

Thanks, **Henry Eure and Jean Krupa**, for assisting with the music.

Thanks, **Dancers and Spectators:**

Tom and Jo Sanders

Polly Foster and John Lynch

Caleb Young and Diedre Williams

Laura and Tony Puckett

Donna Bushara and Tony Keller

Jean Krupa Jean Tauber

Vicki Fabulich Joe Woodard

Edna Sullivan Margaret Russo

Thanks to all our dancers and supporters.

If we missed listing your name, please know that it was unintentional and you are appreciated.

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