

**\*August 1, 2016 USA Dance Chapter 6059 Greater Macon Newsletter\***



Mark your calendar. Listed are the chapter dances until the end of the year.

Did you know there are Five USA Dance Chapters in Georgia, Check them out on the National Web Site ----- only one in middle Georgia. [www.usadance.org](http://www.usadance.org)

\*\*\*August 13. Saturday 2016 End of Summer Dance, Howard Community Club 5645 Forsyth Rd, Macon, Ga. 7:30 Lesson by Paula East, Swing with Latin Fusion. Social Dancing 8:15 to 10:30 p.m. \$8, Members \$12 Non Members \$5 Students with current ID. Snacks and water provided, soft drinks \$1 donation. Line dances and Foxtrot Mixers also. Music by A. Chester Gibbs. DJ

NOTE---- To all the members that purchased seating for August 20, 2016; The Annual Summer's Night Picnic Fund Raiser for Pine Pointe Hospice, Macon, Ga. held at Macon Civic Auditorium. Greater Macon Chapter 6059 is one of the sponsors again this year. Bring a picnic basket and drink of your choice and come out and make this event a great success. Ballroom dancing from 6:30 to 7:30. The Grapevine Band will take stage at 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. The two chapter tables are sold out. There are no tickets just let them know you are with USA Dance to be seated. If you have any questions please email Agnes Bikus. [bikus.agnes@cox.net](mailto:bikus.agnes@cox.net)

\*\*\*September 10, Saturday 2016 this will be the Chapter's 19<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance at Howard Community Club, 5645 Forsyth Rd, Macon, Ga. Members/instructors, Dance Exhibition. NO LESSON, Dance starts at 7:30 to 10:30. \$8 Members, \$12 Non Members, \$5 Students with ID, snacks and water provided, soft drink for a \$1 donation. Foxtrot Mixer and line dances also. Music by DJ. Certified in the year 1997.

\*\*\*\*\*ALL CHAPTER DANCES ARE SMOKE AND ALCOHOL FREE\*\*\*\*\*

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\*\*\*October 8, Saturday 2016 at Howard Community Club, 5645 Forsyth Rd, Macon, Ga. " Halloween Monster Mash" Costumes encouraged, prizes for the best costume. Man, Woman and Couple. 7:30 Bachata lesson by Debra Leathers . Social Dancing 8:15 to 10:30 p.m. \$8 Members, \$12 Non Members, \$5 Students with ID. Snacks provided and water, soft drinks for \$1 donation. Music by DJ.

\*\*\*November Friday 11, 2016 Dances For Fun at St. Joseph's Catholic Church Social Hall, Macon, Georgia. 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. The Greater Macon Chapter 6059 of USA Dance will co-host for this dance. \$20 per person, \$10 students with ID. Pay at the door cash/checks accepted. Refreshments provided by the hosts. Soft drinks for \$1 donation. Water provided. NO DANCE at the Howard Community Club this month. Music by "The Good Vibrations Band", Variety of music offered. Co-Chairs, Agnes Bikus, [bikus.agnes@cox.net](mailto:bikus.agnes@cox.net) and Ron Smith, [ron.smith3@cox.net](mailto:ron.smith3@cox.net) .

\*\*\*December Saturday 10, 2016 Christmas Jingle Bell Dance at Howard Community Club. 5645 Forsyth Rd. Macon, Ga. FREE TO MEMBERS. \$12 for Non Members, \$5 Students with ID. Member Appreciation Dance Covered Dish Dinner, Desert. Starting time 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. No Lesson, Mixers and Line dancing. Dressy Attire suggested. Meat provided by the Chapter, Please bring a covered dish to share for the table. Water provided, soft drinks for \$1 donation. Music by DJ.

SOCIAL DANCE TEACHERS for the Chapter are as follows. Paula East, [paulaeastdance@yahoo.com](mailto:paulaeastdance@yahoo.com)-- Dianne Kent, [dkdancelessons@gmail.com](mailto:dkdancelessons@gmail.com) , Jim Riley, [jdriley.jim@gmail.com](mailto:jdriley.jim@gmail.com) Carl Candiano, [unvcandy@yahoo.com](mailto:unvcandy@yahoo.com). Debra Leathers, [djsmckea@gmail.com](mailto:djsmckea@gmail.com) Contact them for dance classes or private lessons, they will be happy to hear from you. They are also listed on the website. [www.usad6059.org](http://www.usad6059.org)

**Please take time to read this important information handed down from National.** This is at the top of each sign in sheet when you attend the chapter dances. It is as follows: Dance is a physical activity, and like all physical activities, carries some degree of risk. USA Dance cannot be held liable for injuries sustained by persons attending this event, it being hereby stated that persons attending the event do so at their own risk. USA Dance is not responsible for loss, damage or theft of articles from the event facilities. Persons not conforming to acceptable standards of behavior may, at the sole discretion of the chapter, be asked to leave the event venue premises. I understand and agree to these conditions for participation. On occasion, our chapter will photograph and video our activities. Photos and video of our members and guests may appear in print, email or on chapter internet pages and websites as well as those of the national organization. Your attendance at our events is greatly welcomed and constitutes your unconditional permission for USA Dance to take/use/publish photos and video in which you might be present. USA Dance is not responsible for photos taken by other persons at its activities.

### 3.

Please continue to check the table in the foyer at the Howard Community Club. Fliers and area events and current Chapter Newsletter, and info that may be of interest to you. Look for the symbols of ASCAP, BMI, and SESAC for the music licensing by USA Dance, National provides the licensing fees for the music we use at our dances.

The Chapter website is a tool to be used by those searching for a home chapter and for those looking for dance instruction, or date of our monthly dance, whatever you are looking for under the name of dance this is the place to search. It is constantly being updated. Web Masters. Ron Smith, [ron.smith3@cox.net](mailto:ron.smith3@cox.net) , and Agnes Bikus, [bikus.agnes@cox.net](mailto:bikus.agnes@cox.net). You can check out your chapter officers also.

Music is needed to make our dances successful and Carl Candiano has been sitting in that seat for us. Please let Carl know we appreciate the fine job that he is doing.

#### Presidents Message

We are always looking for new volunteers to serve on committees. The Officers are: Joanne Maguire, President, Agnes Bikus, Vice President/Treasurer, David Leathers, Secretary, Members at large are Bob Morgan, Carl Candiano and Dianne Wilhelm. We have a Social Dance Coordinator - Dianne Kent and Paula East assists, plans the lessons and workshops. We all help do the work. Each has a duty that they have volunteered to help with. You can view the lineup of your Officers and Board Members at Large on the chapter Web site with their email address and phone number, let us hear from you. We are always open for volunteers to help on any of the current committees. What committee would you like to help with? [www.usad6059.org](http://www.usad6059.org)

Membership. Please be responsible for keeping your membership current and all personal information up to date, like your address, email address or any name changes. National uses emails to communicate with this process, You can also print out your own membership card .We are in the process of planning for the coming year, and suggestions are always welcome but the board decides what is best for the overall membership and are not always able to comply with said suggestions. We do hope you understand as it takes planning and willingness from volunteers and money to execute these events. With leadership change and members change there is always the awkwardness and meeting and accepting new dancers into the chapter. All chapters experience these kinds of changes, so please be patient with the new dancers, be courteous and act in a mannerly fashion as we grow our chapter. Our various instructors all have students that they teach and bring to the dances and it is our job as members to help them learn about the chapter and its function. Remember you too, once, were a newbie to the dance floor. Encourage the new ones to join in, introduce yourself, better yet ask them for a dance, this will help them feel welcome.

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Remember it is your Dance Chapter and only you can make it better for all involved by your attendance. We serve on your chapter Board for all the membership as volunteers and it is nice to see our time and service is well spent when the members attend dances, free lessons, and show their appreciation for what we are all so passionate about and that is dancing and learning more. We could not do any of this without support from the chapter members. Thank you.

Please try to arrive at 7:15. You need time to sign in, pay, and put on your dance shoes and be ready for the complimentary dance lesson at 7:30, this is included in your price of admission and we pay the instructors to provide you with this gift from the chapter. We need to start on time and we do not repeat what you may miss by being late. It is not fair to the instructor as they plan these lessons for your pleasure, and enjoyment. See you on the dance floor.

Bring a friend and introduce them to Ballroom dancing, they will be glad you did.

Until next month, Joanne Maguire, President [joeypamag@cox.net](mailto:joeypamag@cox.net)

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The chapter is a 501c3 non-profit organization. Known as the Greater Macon Chapter #6059 of USA Dance since 2008, the chapter continues its commitment and mission in line with that of USA Dance National to improve the quality and the quantity of ballroom dancing in the United States. USA Dance Inc. is the National Governing Body for Dance Sport in the United States and with 175 chapters throughout the country is also the representative organization for all social and recreational ballroom and Latin dancers in America of all ages and skill levels who have **one thing in common - the love of dance!** Visit our chapter Web site at [www: usad6059.org](http://www.usad6059.org)