## USA Dance Chapter #6059 - Greater Macon July 1, 2016 NEWSLETTER







\*\*\*\*\*\*Your next 6 months dance information, so please mark your calendars\*\*\*\*\*\*

Did you know there are Five USA Dance Chapters in Georgia, Check them out on the National Web Site ---- only one in middle Georgia. <a href="https://www.usadance.org">www.usadance.org</a>

\*\*\*July 9, Saturday 2016, Celebrate Red, White and Blue Dance, Howard Community Club. 5645 Forsyth Rd. Macon, Ga. Attire, wear one of these colors or perhaps all three. Help celebrate the freedom in America 7:30 Lesson Cha-cha by Dianne Kent. Social dancing 8:15 to 10:30 p.m. Snacks provided by members, feel free to bring something to add to the table. Soft drinks \$1 donation and water available. \$8 members, \$12 non-members, \$5 students with current ID. Music by DJ Carl Candiano.

\*\*\*August 13. Saturday 2016, End of Summer Dance, Howard Community Club 5645 Forsyth Rd, Macon, Ga. Lesson 7:30 Paula East, East Coast Swing. Social Dancing 8:15 to 10:30 \$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 DJ.

\*\*\***EXTRA** \*\*\* We have tickets for 1 table at the Hospice event August 20<sup>th</sup> it will seat 8, if you would like to attend let us know, chapter has sponsored 2 tables this year. Fliers were passed out at the June Dance. If more info is needed please see a board member.

- \*\*\*September 10, Saturday 2016 Chapter 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 \$1donation. Foxtrot Mixer dances also. Music by DJ.
- \*\*\*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 Lesson by Debra McCullough Leathers to be announced later. Social Dancing 8:15 to10:30 p.m. \$8 Members, \$12 Non Members, \$5 Students with ID. Snacks provided and water, soft drinks for 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 are co-hosts 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 and Ron Smith, ronsmith3@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, <a href="mailto:paulaeastdance@yahoo.com">paulaeastdance@yahoo.com</a>. Dianne Kent, <a href="mailto:dkdancelessons@gmail.com">dkdancelessons@gmail.com</a>, Jim Riley, <a href="mailto:jdriley.jim@gmail.com">jdriley.jim@gmail.com</a> Carl Candiano, <a href="mailto:unvcandy@yahoo.com">unvcandy@yahoo.com</a>. Debra McCullough, <a href="mailto:djsmckea@gmail.com">djsmckea@gmail.com</a> Contact them for dance classes or private lessons, they will be happy to hear from you. They are also listed on the chapter Web site. usad6059.org

Check the table in the foyer at the Howard Community Club, for fliers, events and newsletters, and info that may interest you in the community. Also look for the Symbols of ASCAP, BMI and SESAC for music licensing by USA Dance. National provides this licensing for the music we use at our dances.

Facebook is the only Social Media that USA Dance endorses for posting events and dances. Check out the Facebook page for Greater Macon Chapter 6059 USA Dance.

Remember everyone attends for the enjoyment of social dancing and learning. Put on your happy feet, and smile. Good Manners and great Hygiene make for a happy dancing experience.

## CHAPTER WEB SITE: www.usad6059.org

We encourage you to make frequent visits to the Chapter Web Site as it is constantly being up dated by our Web Masters, Ron Smith, <a href="mailto:ron.smith3@cox.net">ron.smith3@cox.net</a> and Agnes Bikus, <a href="mailto:bikus.agnes@cox.net">bikus.agnes@cox.net</a> Ron and Agnes would like to know you are checking out this site to gain more information about your officers and dance chapter so our members are well informed.

## President's 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, such as helping to set up the hall for the dances, decorating, and as always cleaning up after the dance. Wouldn't you like to take your turn?

Membership. We need to know how to make your dancing experience better and try and meet your needs and wishes as we move forward. 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. We are experiencing growing pains as the membership changes, not only on the executive end but also with the members. 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, 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, they will feel a part of the chapter, and make them feel welcome.

Our attendance picked back up for the month of June, it was a lively dance, the music was well received, and we are now introducing some Argentine Tango's for your pleasure. We saw many new faces, first time attendees, and in all there were 11 nonmembers. 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. Seek out a board member and let them know how we are doing to make your dancing a great experience and say Thank you.

Remember 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, which 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. Let us know if there are any changes in your information so that we can keep our records current and also keep National in the know. Continue to support your Chapter and renew your membership on a timely basis.

Bring a friend and introduce them to Ballroom dancing, see you at the dances.

Until next month, Joanne Maguire, President <u>joeypamag@cox.net</u>

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## **USA Dance Chapter # 6059 - Greater Macon**

Serving the area of:

Macon and surrounding middle GA communities

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