

* USA Dance Chapter 6059 Greater Macon NEWSLETTER*



June1, 2016 Chapter Newsletter

Welcome to your Ballroom Dance Chapter*****Please mark your calendar.

There are Five USA Dance Chapters in Georgia, Check them out on the WebSite.

***June 11, Saturday 2016 Summer Nights Dance, Howard Community Club 5645 Forsyth Rd. Macon, Ga.. A complimentary lesson in Rumba by Carl Candiano will be given at 7:30. Please arrive by 7:15 to be ready for the lesson. Social dancing will be offered from 8:15 to 10:30 p.m. \$8 Members, \$12 Non Member \$5 Students with ID. Light snacks and water, soft drinks for \$1 donation. Music will be provided by our DJ Chester Gibbs, or other member.

***July 9, Saturday 2016 Celebrate Red, White and Blue Dance, Howard Community Club. 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 Chester Gibbs, or other member.

***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 dance and Mixers also. DJ Chester Gibbs or other member will provide the music.

***September 10, Saturday 2016 Chapter 19th Anniversary Dance at Howard Community Club, Members 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. Mixer dances also. Chester Gibbs DJ or other member.

***October 8, Saturday 2016 at Howard Community Club," Halloween Monster Mash" Costumes encouraged, prizes for the best costume. Man, Woman and Couple. 7:30 Lesson to be announced. 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 donation. Music by DJ Chester Gibbs, or other member.

***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. 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 Chester Gibbs, DJ. Or other member.

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

SOCIAL DANCE TEACHERS for the Chapter are as follows. Paula East, paulaeastdance@yahoo.com-- Dianne Kent, dkdancelesson@gmail.com , Jim Riley, jdriley.jdriley.jim@gmail.com Carl Candiano, unvcandy@yahoo.com. Debra McCullough, dismckea@gmail.com Contact them for dance classes or private lessons, they will be happy to hear from you. They all teach individual classes.

Check the table in the foyer at the Howard Community Club, for flyers, events and newsletters, and other info that may interest you in the community. Also look for the Symbols of ASCAP, BMI and SESAC for music licensing by USA Dance. We are no longer associated with the National Fast Dance Association.

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.

A reminder that our chapter boasts all level of dance, from the beginners to the more advanced dancers. Be patient when dancing with others and also remember that you too were once a beginner. Offer help when asked about a dance step or a lead or what dance do you do to that tune. These little things make for a much happier dancer and fun time for all. 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, ron.smith3@cox.net and Agnes Bikus, bikus.agnes@cox.net Ron and Agnes would like to hear from you with regard to any suggested additions, changes or even corrections you may offer for the Web Site.

President's Message

We are always looking for new volunteers to serve on committees, please let the board know of your interests. The Officers are: Joanne Maguire, President, Agnes Bikus, Vice President/Treasurer, David Leathers Secretary, and 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.

Membership. We need to know how to make your dancing experience better and try and meet your needs and wishes as we move forward. When making "suggestions" please remember to ask yourself if it is in the best interest of the whole membership. We are in the process of planning 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, We are experiencing that as now 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 which they teach and bring to the dances. As members let's accept the responsibility to help them learn about the chapter and its function. Remember you too once were a newbie to the dance arena.

Our attendance has been down the past 3 months lots of changes have taken place and some folks have moved away, we have had some get married, and others have found various outside interests. Remember it is your Dance Chapter and only you can make it better for all involved by your attendance, as we all move forward. We serve on your chapter Board for all the membership as volunteers and it is nice to see the time and service is well spent when the members attend dances, workshops offered, 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.

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. 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. 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.

Thanks again to all members of the Greater Macon Chapter #6059 of USA Dance as the Chapter couldn't exist without your help, input, attendance, and financial support.

THANK YOU ALL. The board of Directors wishes to thank all who attended the St. Joseph Catholic Church "Dances For Fun" and our chapter as we co-hosted this event May 13, 2016. It was a great turn out and a wonderful show of support from all those who helped decorate earlier in the day. and those who arrived early that evening to help set up the array of delicious food and drinks for your pleasure. The attendance was great and the Good Vibrations Band did an outstanding job of playing a variety of music that kept the dance floor full. Line dancers enjoyed their time in the spotlight as well as introducing a Medley for a mixer, which for some was their first time experiencing this style of dance. Lots of feedback and compliments were received for this event. Save the date for the next Dances for Fun Friday, November 11, 2016. Keep dancing.

Continue to support your Chapter and renew your membership on a timely basis.

Remember dancing improves your health, balance and self-esteem, it is a great social outlet and it helps reduce anxiety, stress and dementia,

Bring a friend and introduce them to Ballroom dancing, put on your happy feet.

Until next month, Joanne Maguire, President joeypamag@cox.net

Your USA Dance Chapter 6059



Greater Macon, www.usadance.org

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)

DANCES WE LOVE ***** SWING, TANGO, WALTZ, RUMBA, SALSA, BOLERO, FOXTROT, QUICK STEP, SAMBA,,WEST COAST SWING' HUSTLE, BACHATA, ENJOY WHICH EVER ONE IS YOUR FAVORITE DANCE.