March 2018 Newsletter

2018 Dances

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• March 10

- April 14
- May 12
- June 9
- July 14
- August 11
- September 8
- October 13
- November 10
- December 8

Howard Community Club, 5645 Forsyth Rd.

7:30–10:30 p.m.

\$8 USA Dance members\$12 non-members\$5 students with ID

"Dressy casual" attire Light refreshments Smoke-free, alcohol-free

Barbershop Harmony in the Spotlight at February Dance

USA Dance Greater Macon Chapter 6059 welcomed the Heart of Georgia Barbershop Chorus as special guests at our February 10 dance celebrating Valentine's Day. A dozen Chorus members entertained the Chapter members and guests with classic a cappella barbershop harmonies and invited all of us to dance to their great music. Some brave singers even stuck around to enjoy the open dancing and Debra Leathers' salsa lesson. Special thanks to dance representative Dianne Kent for arranging this special "summit meeting" between music and dance! Visit @USAD6059 on Facebook for more of chapter photographer Bob Morgan's photos and video from the event.



Early Bird Drawing at March Dance!

The early bird could catch a \$25 Olive Garden gift card! Arrive by 7:30 p.m. at our monthly dance on March 10 to be entered into the drawing. See you there!



March Board Meeting:

Thursday, March 1

5:00 p.m.

Learning Center Room 2

Medical Center Navicent Health



Promoting Dance in Middle Georgia

- Daniel Boudreault and Laura Thomason are introducing social dancing to new dancers at Middle Georgia State University thanks to student Hannah Saunders and the Society for the Advancement of Marketing (SAM), a student organization for business majors. With help from chapter president David Leathers and board member at large Carol Frayne, Hannah is presenting an evening of dance instruction on March 28 as a senior project for which she will earn experiential learning credit. The event aims to introduce SAM members to ballroom dancing while promoting our chapter. Hannah will graduate in May and looks forward to joining the chapter and advancing our marketing efforts.
- Debra Leathers will offer a complimentary salsa lesson at Houston Lake Country Club, 100 Champions Way, Perry, GA on March 29. With help from dance representative Dianne Kent, Heather Adams at the country club organized the event, which welcomes chapter members as guests. For details, contact Ms. Adams at 478-218-5253.

Local Dance Instructors

The following USA Dance Greater Macon Chapter 6059 members would be happy to hear from you to schedule a group class or private lesson:

Paula East: An experienced dancer, choreographer, and instructor with a commitment to promoting social dancing and dancesport to the local community. Contact Paula for information on current classes and workshops: paulaeastdance@yahoo.com, 478.750.0802, www.paulaeast.com.

Dianne Kent: "Dancing with Dianne": dgk629@windstream.net,

478.986.4110, www.dkdancelessons.blogspot.com. Four-week classes are on Mondays at Howard Community Club, 5645 Forsyth Road, Macon GA.. 7PM - 8PM Line Dance Instruction, 8PM to 9PM Ballroom Dance Instruction.

Debra Leathers: With a passion for all dance forms, Debra Leathers was hooked on dance from her very first lesson. Her specialties include Flamenco (Sevillanas), Beginning Ballroom, Argentine Tango, Salsa, Bachata, Chacarera, and Rueda de Salsa. Contact Debra at djsmackea@gmail.com

Jim Riley: Jim has many years of experience in ballroom dancing and is a member of our chapter, Jim lives in Atlanta but travels to Macon to instruct from time to time. jdriley.jim@gmail.com

Daniel Boudreault & Laura Thomason: Daniel and Laura are competitive dancers but most enjoy helping newcomers enjoy their dance experience. Visit www.dldancers.com for information.

Carl Candiano: Carl is an experienced instructor in American Smooth and American Rhythm styles, beginners through Silver level. Email him at unvcandy@yahoo.com.

Silent Auction Coming in April

At our April 14 dance, the chapter will host its first-ever silent auction. Proceeds will support the chapter's operating costs, community outreach efforts, and scholarship fund. We are seeking donated items to auction: the ideal item could be anything desirable in new condition and, ideally, original packaging. Contact Carol Frayne via email at carol_frayne2@bellsouth.net to arrange the donation of your item and set the auction price. Whether you are donating an item or not, get ready to bid on something fabulous!



Reminder: WCS Workshop in May

Our upcoming workshops in West Coast Swing with Dwayne and Kelly Crocker are confirmed for Saturday, May 12 at Howard Community Club with the beginner session scheduled for 10:00 a.m. and the intermediate session at 11:30. Take one workshop for \$20 or both for \$35. Those taking both workshops receive free admission to our dance that evening. We thank Dwayne and Kelly for also agreeing to instruct the complimentary lesson at our dance. Get ready to learn from the experts!

Your USA Dance Greater Macon Chapter 6059 is a 501c3 non-profit organization. The chapter carries out the commitment and mission of USA Dance to improve the quality and the quantity of ballroom dancing in the United States. USA Dance Inc. is the national governing body for DanceSport in the United States. With 175+ chapters throughout the country, USA Dance represents 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