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## Ballroom Blast

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Saturday, October 29, 2005

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Thanks to our Nationals Volunteers! What to do about "arm-ey" leads.



## Dancers Nite Out



**Sa 10/15** USA Dance's Monthly Dance at Cinema Ballroom, St. Clair and Snelling Avenue South, St. Paul, see ad this page.

**Fr-Su 10/21-23** 9th Annual Twin Cities Rebels Swing Challenge and Masquerade Ball, Hyatt Regency, Minneapolis, Dance on 10/22 at 8:00pm with Costume Parade and Awards! FMI: [tcrebels.com](http://tcrebels.com) or 952.941.0906

**Sa 10/29** USA Dance presents "Ballroom Blast" at 4:00pm and 7:30pm at the Richfield High School, Tickets are \$17/adults, \$15/seniors, \$10/children and can be ordered by calling: 612.240.5042 or [www.ballroomblast.com](http://www.ballroomblast.com) - come and cheer on your favorite dancers in this totally fun show!

**Sa 10/29** Rockin' Hollywoods at Medina Entertainment Center, 500 Highway 55, Medina; costume contest too! Dance @ 8:30pm; \$13 at the door; sponsored by TGIS. FMI: 763.478.6661 or [www.medinaentertainment.com](http://www.medinaentertainment.com).

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**Sa 11/19** USA Dance's Monthly Dance at The Dance Shoppe, 2800 Fernbrook, Plymouth; 7:00pm Free Lesson, 8:00-11:00pm Dance!

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# USABDA's October Dance



## Saturday, October 15th

Group class 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Dance 8:00 - 11:00 p.m.

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# 2005 USA DanceSport National Championships

## History but not Forgotten

Submitted by Steve Vespested

It's been a month since the conclusion of the most successful Nationals in history. Past years have been outstanding in many other ways, but this was the first national competition to be major financial success. Once all the accounting is completed, we will publish results.

On-line registration was used exclusively for this competition, so no mailed paper registrations were accepted. For the most part everyone accepted it, and it will become the norm. This greatly reduced the man hours needed to process registration materials. The system was designed and developed by a USA Dance competitor from Seattle, Mark Tabor.

Also new this year was Tabor's real-time electronic scoring system. The judges were able to enter their marks via PDA's directly into the computer and scores were known as soon as the last dance of each event was finished. As a result, awards were given out immediately after each final heat. Accolades from spectators and competitors for the system were endless.

The committee chairs deserve great

praise for fine-tuning and overseeing their areas so well that there were few fires to put out or issues to address. Four years of running the national competition allowed us to tweak, adjust, and improve until we had a well-oiled machine.

The following people worked tirelessly all year round, most of them for all four years. Please let them know that their efforts made a difference. The Minnesota Chapter can be proud of the four years that we hosted Nationals.

Gary Stroick – Co-Chair

Mike Youngdahl – Vendors

Mike Jones – Volunteers

Sharon Kennedy – Volunteers

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And the dozens of volunteers who helped them. ■



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# Minnesota's Ballroom Dancers to Perform Saturday, October 29

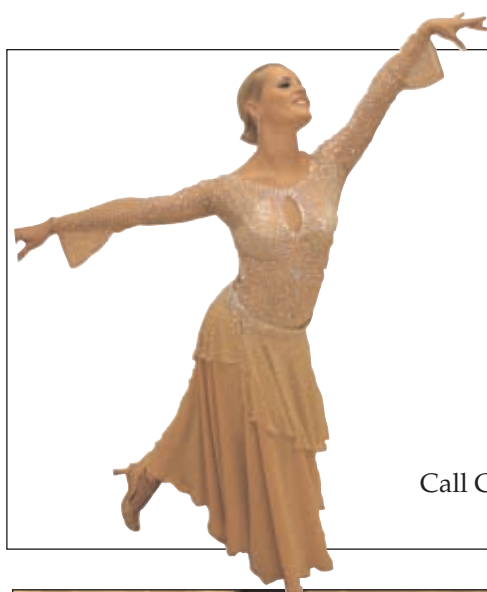
Fresh from successfully defending their 2004 national titles, Minnesota's top ballroom couples are hard at work preparing for Ballroom Blast, a ninety-minute dance extravaganza that will be held at Richfield High School Theatre, 7100 Harriet Ave, Richfield, Minnesota, at 4 and 7:30 pm. Six-time National Nine Dance Champions Andy and Janie Nordberg, and four-time National Senior I Champions David and Jeanne Schmit, are just a few of the many accomplished dancers who will perform for us.

The show opens with a group Hustle and Cha Cha number choreographed by Beyond Ballroom dancer and choreographer Nathan Daniels. Mr. Daniels is one of the numerous professional ballroom champions, including Robert Foster, Julie Jacobson, and Jay Larson, who are choreographing the event.

The music ranges from classic ballroom songs to hits such as Barry Manilow's They Dance and Tina Turner's Proud Mary.

Among the many stunning costumes featured in Ballroom Blast will be little black fringe dresses that the jazz dancers squeeze into for Proud Mary, and the two to four thousand dollar ball gowns the top amateurs will be wearing when they sail around the floor one couple at a time.

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# 2005 USA DanceSport National Championships Volunteer Report

Submitted by Mike Jones, Volunteer Coordinator

It was a long weekend, competition weekends always are; at least while the event is actually happening. Once it's all over, you look back and it feels as though the time just flew by. It would have seemed a lot longer and certainly a lot more difficult, without the ever-present assistance of the Co-Volunteer Coordinator Sharon Kennedy.

From dance floor setup and registration on August 11th, through all of the weekend events to dance floor teardown on Monday, there were approximately 110 volunteers. These dedicated people worked about 190 volunteer shifts, accumulating upwards of 1000 volunteer hours.

Of course this doesn't include the many hundreds of hours that the Host Committee, their friends and operatives put in over the course of the year to arrange this event.

The social dance events, which were coordinated by the fine folks of Café Bailar, were more popular than ever. The dance workshops taught by the competition judges were once again very well-received. This international cast of represent some of the best coaching talent available.

Things went pretty smoothly with only the occasional glitch. There was one interesting behind-the-scenes event.

In previous years, to keep track of the judges scores they used paper 'heat sheets'. After each heat these were picked up by a 'score sheet runner' and were delivered to the tabulator. The scores were added, placements were made and periodically the awards would be handed out. This year they went high tech. Each judge would record their scores on a handheld Personal Digital Assistant (PDA). The score data would immediately transmit to the computer and the software would instantaneously score the heat. That means that most awards could be presented immediately after each heat.

This system was working pretty well until tragedy struck. Steve Vespested, Sharon, and I happened to be in the

production office when the Richard Booth, chairman of judges, stormed into the room. With a very concerned demeanor he emphatically states "We need paper score sheets NOW!" So, I grabbed a stack of pads of those 'old fashioned' score sheets and a box of pens and ran out to dispense them to the judges. We immediately assigned two score sheet runners and they were all set to resume the competition. A backup for this major technical meltdown was put in place in literally less than one minute! Fortunately Steve thought ahead to have the score sheets and extra pens available. By the way, they eventually got the PDA's working again.

Fortunately, we got past the glitches and it all came together wonderfully. In fact, our efforts were so bodacious as to merit a "Special Recognition Award" from the National Committee. That's right, USA Dance-MN (Chapter #2011) is an award winning chapter. We have you to thank: volunteers, competitors, spectators, and friends.



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She said:

I'm assuming that when you say 'partners' you mean social dance partners -- not a partner you take lessons and practice with. It's pretty hard to ask a man you casually dance with to lead differently. If he's a real beginner it's best to be encouraging about his progress, but tell him that if he leads with a little less force you'll be able to follow better.

If the man is advanced -- or thinks he is, it's trickier as he may resent any input from you regarding his dancing. Remember, you don't have to agree to dance with men you find uncomfortable. It is perfectly acceptable to politely say you'd like to 'sit this one out' -- and then you had better do just that even if someone else asks you for that dance.

If you attend a school where body lead and good connections are taught you may want to try and dance primarily with men who are learning the same technique as you. It's fine to ask a man to dance if he's come to an event unaccompanied. The better your own balance, poise and footwork, the easier it will be for you to compensate for a man's shortcomings on the social floor. Otherwise accept that social dancing is 'catch as catch can'. Every dance won't always feel good.

He Said:

A lady is, unfortunately, at the mercy of the man she is dancing with. However, if you feel off balance or thrown around, it may be that you are allowing yourself to be taken off of your supporting leg too soon. Try to maintain the feeling of space between you and your partner and make sure that as you move from foot to foot that you keep your weight between your feet to preserve your balance. ■

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**Lavender Latin/Rhythm Dress.** Lavender latin/rhythm dress with halter style top, ruffled hem and open back. Entire dress stoned in different colored stones which will make you sparkle! Dore Designs. Size 4-8. Asking \$2100.

**Mint Green Smooth/Standard Gown.** Elegant mint green dress can be used for both smooth/standard. Unique stoning and draped chiffon with stretch satin bodice and chiffon skirt makes this dress feel light as a feather. Comes with matching earrings, necklace and armbands. Made for Movement. Size 2-6. Asking \$1100.

☎ **Please call Anne @ 763/550-1223**

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**Catch the judge's eyes and show up well** against dark floors with a beautiful light pink gown. This very feminine dress includes a deep V front, long sleeves and a stunning draped cowl in back. Stones cover this entire gown and the stretchy material shows them off with great movement. Will fit and flatter many figure types and stretches to fit many sizes (8-12+). I'm willing to contribute towards alterations. You won't know until you try! Anne @ 763-550-1223.

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**Latin/Rhythm orange flame dress.** Don't miss your chance to try this one! This 2-piece rhythm dress is a "one-of-a-kind" with asymmetrical style sleeves and skirt. Sun AB stoning throughout. Stunning braided detail belt and straps on top with matching wrist bands, necklace and earrings. Size 2-8. Asking \$1100.

**Latin/Rhythm Stunning red dress.** You'll feel like a champion in this dress with bracelet-style cuffs on sleeves and gorgeous fully stoned

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**American Smooth black/fuschia ballgown.** Catch everyone's eye with this striking gown. Black stretch lace bodice, 3 layered chiffon skirt, dynamic fuschia chiffon wrap on one sleeve, AB color stones. Size 2-8. Asking \$800.

**Gold/Rose-Red Rhythm Dress.** You will get noticed in this one of a kind dress! Beautiful Rose-Red lace overlays shimmering gold, bell sleeves and flared skirt add great movement. Light Siam AB stoning adds the finishing touch to this fabulous dress! Matching rose for hair. Size 2-6. A steal deal at \$700.

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**Unique White Latin/Rhythm Dress,** size 2-4. Covered in stones and flower shaped beading with matching bracelets. Asking \$1400. Payment plan acceptable.

**Elegant Black Latin/Rhythm Dress,** size 2-6. Looks best on long bodices. Comes with matching bracelets and earrings. Asking \$900. Payment plan acceptable.

**Turquoise Satin Smooth/Standard Gown,** size 2-6. Beautifully cut back will enhance your backline and drapy front looks elegant. Comes with beautiful matching necklace, earrings and bracelets. Asking \$900. Payment plan acceptable.

**White and Black Smooth/Standard Gown,** size 2-6. Open back with beautiful black sheer sash around the front. Stunning on the floor! Comes with long white gloves and matching bracelet and earrings. Asking \$1200. Payment plan acceptable.

☎ **Call Shannon (651)266-3415 for details.**

**Brand New American Smooth Ballgown,** size 2-6, professionally made in Hong Kong. Sky blue lace bodice adorned with rhinestones, 2 layered chiffon skirt in blue and white. Long sleeves. Extremely elegant. Never worn, asking for \$350.

☎ **Contact Cheri at (763) 544-6724 or e-mail [artncheri@aol.com](mailto:artncheri@aol.com)**

**Dresses, dresses, dresses for sale!** Our formation team has consolidated all the dresses we have for sale. We have sizes 2-10 available in both Smooth and Standard. You can try on many different styles and colors. These dresses are for sale, however, many can be rented as well.

☎ **Contact Carol 952-926-7648 or 952-351-1779**

**American Size 2-8.** Classic black sleeveless gown has handkerchief skirt. Midnight blue AB stones accented throughout gown. Both fabric and simplicity of design will fit many figures. Asking \$800.

**American/Standard Size 4-8.** Dynamic color blend of sky and earth tones literally "glows" with over 50 gross of rare Gold AB. Heavily stoned contrasting bodice and wristlet in Capri and Ocean Blue draw attention. Complementary bracelets, gloves, scarfs and jewelry transforms the look this dress to suit either style. Lightweight, maintenance-free makes this gown a "must-have". Asking \$1000.

**American/Standard Size 2-8.** Sophisticated Style. This silk toffee brown gown is designed to flatter and command attention. Dozens of Sworowski AB jewels punctuate an intertwined vine pattern composed of over 80 gross AB stones extending diagonally from shoulder line to skirt edge. Bodice and asymmetrical sleeve is encrusted with complimenting Bronze AB stones. The classic fit and style of this gown makes it versatile for either Smooth or Standard. Asking \$1200.

**Standard Size 2-10.** Dramatic midnight blue penne velvet gown has overlay of Capri Blue Sworowski stones has Capri blue chiffon Guinivere-sleeves and peek-thru shirt. Designed to fit any figure, it is surprisingly cool and comfortable. Travels great, and is maintenance free. Asking \$1600.

*Swaplines is a monthly feature offering members and subscribers the chance to sell their dance merchandise. Advertisements for partnerships are not published in this column. Please include your area code when submitting advertisements for Swaplines.*



# Dance Demo News

Submitted by Ingrid Bloom, Dance Demo Coordinator

Stay tuned for our next issue to hear about the mail demo for National Ballroom Week.

If you would like to participate in the demo at Temple Israel in Minneapolis, on Sunday, November 20th from 7:15-8:15 p.m. please let Ingrid know.

If you have ideas on where to do a demo email Ingrid Bloom at [ibloom@ibdancing.com](mailto:ibloom@ibdancing.com) or call 612 722-7414. ■



## DANCE SOUP

- Have a tidbit about something dance related that you want to share? Consider contributing your stories or ideas to the Minnesota Dancin' Times! Call Anne LaTourelle at 763-550-1223.



## Competition Calendar

**October 14-15, 2005**

**USA Dance SE Regional Championships**  
(qualifier for USA DanceSport Nationals)  
The Georgia World Congress Center, Atlanta, GA.

For more information, [atlantasrc.org](http://atlantasrc.org), or contact Ann Smith at 404-816-9939, or email [annsmith.src@comcast.net](mailto:annsmith.src@comcast.net).

**October 22, 2005**

**USA Dance NW's Quest for the Best**  
Washington Dance Club, 1017 Stewart Street, Seattle, WA.

Organized by NW Chapter. Sanctioned by USA Dance.  
Hot line: 206-781-6791.

**November 5, 2005**

**Treasure Coast DanceSport Championships**  
Rhapsody Ballroom, Tampa, Fla.

Organized by Treasure Coast Chapter. For more information, contact Nancy Welch at [nancy01FL@aol.com](mailto:nancy01FL@aol.com).

**January 14, 2006**

**The Snow Ball, Embassy Suites, Bloomington, MN.**

Professional show by 4-time undefeated US Pro Smooth Champions Michael Mead and Toni Redpath. For more information contact Donna Edelstein 763 557-6004 or [thesnowballcomp@msn.com](mailto:thesnowballcomp@msn.com).

**January 28, 2006**

**Royal Palm USA DanceSport Championship**  
Gold Coast Ballroom, Coconut Creek, Fla.

Hosted by Royal Palm Chapter. Sanctioned by USA DanceSport. For more information contact Bernard Matos, 561-625-9510, e-mail: [b@brny.net](mailto:b@brny.net); website: [www.usabdaroyalpalm.org](http://www.usabdaroyalpalm.org).

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### Dancers Studio

(651) 641-0777

[www.dancersstudio.com](http://www.dancersstudio.com), 99 Snelling Ave. N. St. Paul, MN.  
Every Friday night, Beginning and Advanced lesson at 8 pm,  
Dance 9-10 pm. \$15-25/non-members.

### East Meets West Swing Dance Club

(952) 949-3016

<http://www.eastmeetswestswg.com> Dances held at Fosters' DanceSport Studio, 816 1/2, Main Street, Hopkins. 1st & 3rd Fridays, Lesson at 7:30, Dance 8:30-midnight. \$6/EMW members, \$8/non-members.

### Hidden Haven Country Club

(763) 434-4626

20520 NE Polk St., Cedar, MN Every Sunday from 6-10 pm.  
Classic country and rock-and-roll, the band is Ringer.

### Loring Pasta Bar

<http://www.loringcafe.com/pastabar> Sunday nights have tango or other latin music from 6-9 pm.

### Medina Entertainment Center

(763) 478-6661

<http://www.medinaentertainment.com> 500 Highway 55, Medina.  
Wednesdays, Big Band Dances, Lesson 7 pm, Dance 8-11 pm.

### Minneapolis Café

11th and Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis. Every Friday night live music by Sensacion Latina; Lesson 8 pm in salsa, merengue, cumbia, cha cha, bachata; Dance: 9-12:45 am. Cover charge/\$6.

### MN West Coast Swing Dance Club

(651) 777-5599

<http://www.mnwestcoastswingdanceclub.com>, B-Dale Club, 2100 N. Dale St., Roseville. Dances 2nd & 4th Fridays. Lesson 7:30 pm, Dance 8:30 pm. \$5/WCS members, \$8/non-members.

### Rebels Swing Dance Club

(952) 941-0906

<http://www.tcrebels.com> Harmonies Dance Center, 10726 France Avenue South, Bloomington. Two Sundays per month, Dances 7 pm. \$5/Rebels members, \$8/non-members.

### Shakopee Ballroom

(952) 445-0412

2400 East 4th Avenue, Shakopee. Every other Friday they offer either ballroom or swing or dance bands; lesson at 7:30 pm and band begins at 8 pm. Other dances scheduled occasionally.

### Social Dance Studio

(612) 869-2158

[www.socialdancestudio.com](http://www.socialdancestudio.com) 6015 Lyndale Avenue South, Minneapolis, Every Thursday: 7-8 pm Intermediate New York Hustle lesson; 8-9 pm West Coast Swing Hot New Moves, 9-? Open Dancing. 1st Fridays-Latin Dance Parties 9:30-12 midnight. 1st Saturdays-Dance 8-11 pm. (no lesson), \$5/person.

### Tango Society of Minnesota

(763) 576-3349

[www.mntango.org](http://www.mntango.org) 2nd Saturdays, DanceSport Studio, 816 1/2 Main Street, Hopkins. Introductory lesson 8 pm, Dance 9 pm - 1 am. \$10.

### Tiburon Restaurant

1201 Harmon Place, Minneapolis **Band:** Salsa del Soul playing Salsa every Friday! Big wood dance floor, reasonably priced late night menu and drink specials and valet parking; cover charge starts @ 9:30 pm.

### Twin City Ballroom Dance Club

(651) 735-2233

<http://twincityballroom.com> 7166 10th Street North, Oakdale (corner of 694 and 10th St. N.). M-W: Lessons 8 pm, Fridays: Lesson 9 pm, Dance 10-11:30 pm, Sundays: Lesson 8 pm, Dance 9-10:30 pm. \$7/\$2 off with Univ. ID.

### Wabasha Street Caves

(651) 224-1191

215 S. Wabasha St., St. Paul. Thursdays are "Swing Night" with big bands! Lesson 6:15 pm, Dance 7-10 pm. \$7 cover charge.

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Made for Movement: costume design, production,  
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