

# **ANNOUNCING**

**USA DANCE CHAPTER 2044**

## **Annual Member's Meeting & Board Election Kickoff**

**FRIDAY December 2nd 2016 (before Christmas Formal)**

**7:00-7:30 p.m.** - USA Dance Chapter #2044 Annual Meeting

Northview Center, Doling Park, 301 E Talmage, Springfield, MO 65803

**Stay for our 8pm-10:30 pm Christmas Formal Dance!**

Annual Meeting Agenda:

Treasurer's Report

President's Report

Board Candidates Presented and Election Balloting Period Begins

Our 9-Member Chapter Board Candidates (in alphabetical order by last-name):

Monica Bryan

Nena Dockery

Kathy Hunter

Kathy Jacks

Tom Johnson

Toni Marchese

Kathy Myers

Jared Vandersluis

Ana Woods

? - One NC follow-up response remains

**You must be a USA Dance member in good standing to vote in this board election!** Our Treasurer, Bruce Davis can help you join or renew your membership at this December 2nd meeting. - OR - Go online [www.usadance.org](http://www.usadance.org), select "Memberships" from the blue ribbon to right of that webpage's logo, then select "Join/Renew"...

### **SPECIAL NOTE:**

Board Nominations officially close at Midnight, 11/27/2016, 40 days prior to January 6<sup>th</sup> 2017 – the closing date of this election's 30+ day balloting period, and our January First Friday Dance

*"Any member in good standing of a Chapter shall have a right to be placed onto the ballot for election to the Board of Directors by presenting a petition signed by 10% of the chapter members .... The Petitions must include the USA Dance Member Number and expiration date of each signer." (Per this NOMINATION BY PETITION rule, only 3 Chapter 2044*

*Member's signatures are required on your petition for you to automatically be added to the above NC's ballot for Chapter 2044's board - David Dockery, Chapter 2044 President)*

### **Chapter President's note:**

THANK YOU to our Nominating and Elections Committee (NC): Sam Coryell, Ron Douglas, Doris Jackson, and Brenda Kalash. THANK YOU to those Candidates listed above who agreed to become candidates for your Chapter 2044 Board!

It has been a real challenge to bring the board election to this point. In mid-June 2015 we secured a volunteer to chair our future 2017-2018 Board's Nominations and Election Committee (NC). As we entered our August-December 2016 Election-process window, the NC chair became engaged to be married and expressed valid concern for adequate time to act as chair! In September our board then approved me as acting-chair of the NC and by October we had our full 5-member Committee up and running. In the August, September, October, and November Chapter 2044 Dance emailings and at at those dances, we made public requests for Board volunteers or nominations that our NC could contact. By September only one had responded. Throughout October the NC made personal and studio contacts for additional leads, following-up on over 40 individuals, with all "No" responses. Still with only one contact, the NC reviewed their list for those to "double-down" on, and finally hit pay-dirt mid-November, having processed 53 names. The NC also wishes to express a special thanks to the five individuals who expressed interest, yet upon our final review did not technically meet the USA Dance nominations Committee's process requirement. (There is still time to invoke NOMINATION BY PETITION rule.)

### **Chapter 2044 "Promoting ballroom dancing throughout the Ozarks"**

For additional info, including other ballroom dancing events in our area, see our [usadance20144.com](http://usadance20144.com) website, and facebook page.