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ROCKY MOUNTAIN (CO) CHAPTER 5006

HIGH ALTITUDE PERFORMANCES SPRINGTIME IN THE ROCKIES

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In the March-April issue of American Dancer, the Spring and Fall DanceSport Competitions organized for the past 13 years by the Rocky Mountain Chapter at the historic Denver Turnverein were featured.

The Rocky Mountain Spring Competition held on May 14, attracted 56 competitors from three states and an additional 50 spectators, volunteers, officials and adjudicators. The audience sits up-close around the dance floor, creating a more personal experience for the dancers as they're cheered on.

As Chapter President Sara Hadley

explained, their recognized USA Dance competition is designed to showcase the members' talents, partnering skills, hard work and love of dance. Couples compete in both International and American styles, as well as club-style dances.

The Chapter's Fall Competition was held Oct. 1, also at the elegant 151-year-old Denver Turnverein, now a full-time dance and cultural center with 1,200 members that actually began in the 19th century as a social club and was once a gymnastics training facility. More information: www.usadancedenver.com



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and Jill contests. Out of Florida's 20 chapters, 17 chapters were represented, plus chapters from Georgia and Massachusetts. In addition to the 86 registered participants, there were about 30 local members and extra dance hosts on hand for the evening dance parties.

A few highlights that made the weekend special included the Friday night Chapter Parade (with theme outfits), the Starry Night Semi-Formal Dance on Saturday and District 9 Director Don Davenport's presentation on membership benefits and website marketing.



The Blue Super Stars (Southern Star/Suncoast/SouthWest chapters) won Team Matc bragging rights. Jean Krupa, organizer; Winners Tracey Zirfas, Mike Johnson Don Davenport, Peg Johnson, Yoshie Davenport, Richard Mos. Judges Diedre Williams, Joe Mounts.

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