
CHAPTER NEWS

Greetings fellow dancers!



How quickly time flies! We were just discussing the late arrival of fall and before we knew it, Thanksgiving has come and gone and now the Christmas and New Year's holidays are on our doorstep. Where does the time go? Before you know it, we will be drawing up resolutions for 2017. My holiday wish for you is that you will have some time away from work, to relax and recharge, and to enjoy the company of your friends and family.

Competitive Dancers !

Remember that competitive dancer memberships run January to December.

Renew Today.

Since we last spoke, there have been two monthly dances. The November Harvest Moon Dance and the December Christmas Mambo Dance. A big *thank you* to **Mark and Rhonda Becker** for a wonderful group class in Waltz at the November dance. We also want to say *thank you* to **Alan Shoffner** for teaching the group lesson on Mambo at the December dance. And last but not least, a very special *thank you* to **Dale Brooks** for stepping in as the DJ for both dances.



The theme for the January dance is ***Ignite the Night!*** We're going to heat things up with a group class on Tango. The dance will be held the second Sunday, January 8th, 2017 at the Flynn Dance Center on Tulip Street in Knoxville. Make one of your New Year's resolutions to attend the monthly dances. The temperatures may plummet but don't let that stop you from dancing. It's a great way to stay warm!

Membership renewals. USA Dance memberships last for one year. Your renewal date will depend upon the type of membership. Competitive Dancer memberships expire on December 31st. All other memberships run for one year and renew on the date you joined. If you are a competitive dancer, please remember to renew now. There are several competitions in early 2017 and you must have a valid membership to compete.

Speaking of competitions. The Manhattan Amateur Classic runs January 13-15th of 2017 in New Jersey City, NJ. This is a 2017 NQE competition. Then the 3rd-5th of February, The Southeastern DanceSport Championships - also a 2017 NQE - will be held in Birmingham, AL. Finally, the Mid-Atlantic Championships - also a 2017 NQE - will be held 17-19th of February in Bethesda, MD. If you have ever wondered about competing, be sure to talk to Dr Phil, our DJ and head of the Competition Committee.



Don't forget to follow us on our Facebook Page. When you are in Facebook just search for "USA Dance Chapter 2102 Rocky Top TN"

Our website can be found at - <http://rockytopusadance.org>

Remember - this is your organization. If you have a suggestion, please tell us. Help us make this one of the best chapters in the USA. Invite your friends. Come out and have a good time. ***Dance!***

See you on the dance floor!

-David

IGNITE THE NIGHT DANCE



Date: SUNDAY, January 8, 2017
Lessons: 6 to 7 PM Beginner & Advanced
General Dancing: 7 to 9 PM
Place: FLYNN DANCE CENTER 828 TULIP ST.

Admission:
\$10 GENERAL
\$7 MEMBERS
\$5 STUDENTS