

# News Letter April 15, 2009- Highlights of Baltimore Trip

## USA Dance Chapter 6049

### National Chapter of the Year, 2008-2009

Greeting; This issue highlights Carol and Kay's trip to Baltimore to accept the National "Chapter of the Year" award. The many activities of our chapter and the actions of our membership, volunteers and affiliated studios earned this award. A big THANK YOU to ALL! Again a reminder of the opportunities to help the chapter by taking a committee position that appeals to you. Thanks for your support!! Don

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## Presidents Message



"Pictures speak louder than a thousand words" You know I can keep up with that

phrase. Therefore enjoy the many photos of the ultra-fabulous weekend up in Baltimore. There is nothing to compare to the feeling of 'pride' that I felt as I accepted the "Chapter of the Year 2008-2009" award on behalf of our chapter.

Kay and I enjoyed the three days of the top dancers and of course meeting the "one and only Carrie Ann Inaba" Oh yes, we are bgf-- best girl friends. hee. Plus we viewed all the many talented youngsters performances, including the dancers on DWTS.

We are awaiting to see where next year's Nationals will be. Perhaps Orlando or San Diego are the two cities in question. If you have a chance to attend it will be "like walking into dance heaven surrounded by these beautiful ballroom dancers."

smooches. Come and join us for our celebration party at Camelle's Studio on April 19th, 4:00 PM.

Carol Davis, President

"Chapter of the Year 2008-2009"

P.S. Look at "National Dancesport 2009" under Quick Links to view some of the exciting dancing Kay and I enjoyed!!

## THE AWARD!

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## Quick Links

[Photo Gallery](#)

[Chapter Web-site](#)

[National Web-site](#)

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[National Dancesport 2009](#)

## USA Dance Weekends In Florida

FLORIDA DANCE SPREE WEEKEND:

This Get-A-Way is May 8th, 9th and 10th 2009 at the Renaissance World Gate Resort in Kissimmee. It includes Dance workshops, Team Matches, Exhibitions plus dinner dances on Friday and Saturday as well as breakfast buffets and



## Kay's Komments



My head is still like a blur after 3 days of the most exciting dancing that I have ever

seen! After a 2 hr and 25 min flight on Air Trans, we arrived in Baltimore for the USA Dance National Dancesport Championships. Our room was not ready so we immediately went to the ballroom to observe the dancing. The competitors were from age 5 to 80+ and from as far away as Hawaii. The competitions ran from 7 AM to mid-nite. I was glued to my seat and didn't even take a break to eat as I was so impressed! I particularly loved the Viennese Waltz with the array of beautiful colored gowns flowing in the air like a rainbow. It was a sight to behold! The Competitors came in all sizes. I was impressed with a 6ft 10in gentleman and his beautiful tall partner in her red flowing gown. Then there was a chunky 5 year old girl who danced to perfection with her handsome Asian partner. I tried to pick a favorite in each heat - but it was rarely the No1 chosen by the judges. A

Lunches.

SEBRING SOCIAL: June 19,20 and 21st is held at the Kenilworth Loge on the shore of Lake Jackson in Sebring FL. An "Old Florida" hotel with a GREAT WEEKEND planned.

Contact Don Davenport for further details. Don't miss these fun events!

## Dancing Classrooms



In our photo gallery you will see our fabulous teachers and their very proud dancers. This program was initiated by Mr. Pierre Dulaine and brought to Florida last year. Our chapter has diligently sought a sponsorship to this "unique" program. We are proud to have our USA Dance name imprinted on ALL programs for this year. We applaud our instructors that are very dear to all of us: Marvilla Marzan, Natalie Grodin, Anthony Tineo and Gregory Kurth. The five schools have chosen the top 6 couples to represent their school at the "Challenge of the Rainbows" emceed by Mr. Pierre Dulaine on May 16th from 4 to 5 PM at the International Design Center. This will be open to the public.

May 12th from 1:30 to 3:30 PM at the Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre there will be a "Public Welcome" affair to promote the program to our community. Please do attend and support our teachers and their splendid work with our Lee County Schools.

Carol Davis, President  
Chapter of the Year 2008-2009

special guest judge was Carrie Ann Innaba. We got to meet her personally & had a photo taken with her. She is as charming and glamorous as she appears on TV! Our members, Clifford and Carietta Pepper from Naples, participated in the Senior III championship quarter-finals. (Waltz, Tango, Viennese Waltz, Foxtrot and Quickstep. They looked and danced beautifully together! I was particularly impressed with Austin Jason, a young man from Old Bridge, NJ He was champion pre-teen Latin & standard in 2006. He caught the eye of Carrie Ann Innaba and was given a special award. These young people may blend in the crowd with their T shirts & jeans - but they were very impressive in their theatrical makeup, pomaded hair, beautiful gowns & most accomplished dancing! Thank you for the privilege of representing our chapter at this most exciting event..Kay

## Chapter Activities

### TEA DANCES:

The April Tea Dance will be Sunday the 19th at Camelle's.with a West Coast Swing lesson at 4PM, Open dancing/Spotlites and refreshments from 5-7PM. We'll be celebrating our "Chapter of the Year" award at this dance. Admission: \$8.00, members; \$10.00, Non-members.

The MAY Tea Dance will be at Rhythm and Motion, May 10th from 4 PM to 7PM. The lesson will be SAMBA.

The next FANTABULOUS FIFTH SUNDAY event will be held at the Sanibel Community House on May 31st from 4-7 PM. The theme will be a "GREAT GATSBY AFTERNOON." Watch for more on this event.

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