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**Spirit of Citrus Dancers**  
**Chapter 6072 - USA Dance, Inc.**

**JULY/AUGUST 2024**

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



**Hello, Everyone:**

When you live in Florida it's guaranteed that you're going to have some "hot fun in the summertime", especially if you come dancing with us. We're in our summer schedule now with having only one dance a month on the third Saturday for July, August and September, so be sure to mark your calendars now.

Speaking of fun, both Mandy and Tim brought us a great night of dancing at the Birthday dances. Consensus is that the variety of music brought to us by these two deejays is welcome, so we will be bringing them back in the fall. We had a lovely time at the Garden party. There were flowers everywhere, on the tables, on the dancers and even the stage. Thanks to Butch, some of you took home a spider plant as a souvenir of the evening. Spirits were high as we celebrated our 24<sup>th</sup> year of dancing together. Thank you to all of those who brought goodies for us to share. I was delighted to see how elegant the evening felt with everyone dressed in black and white. I can just imagine how wonderful it will be celebrating the big 25 next year.

The fun continues at our "**Patriotic Picnic**" dance on **July 20<sup>th</sup>**. Tonight we are incorporating a true summer tradition of picnicking and invite you to bring a summer dish to share. As usual, it is not necessary to bring something other than your willingness to have a good time. Tonight's dress is super summer casual with the patriotic twist of wearing red, white and/or blue. I can hardly wait to see what yummy stuff you guys come up with and I promise there will not be any ants. Then, back by popular demand, is our "**Full Moon Crazy**" dance on **August 17<sup>th</sup>**. If you came to the last one, you know how much fun it was seeing all the "crazy" outfits people came up with. If you weren't there, this is your chance to come up with your own outfit. Think of mismatched clothing or wearing it inside out...get the idea? This will also be a Birthday dance so if you are willing to bring a cake, let me know. I'm sure you're not going to want to miss this one.

A lot of you liked my idea of including pictures with names last time, so I have included some more in this issue. I believe you now have the names of all our regular attendees, at least the ones I have pictures of at this time. Now that you've been introduced, I hope you enjoy visiting with each other. I just ask that you not do it too loudly during the lesson as it can be distracting for those participating in it. Also, please don't stop to chat on the active dance floor, it's been pretty crowded lately and it poses a danger to you and those trying to dance around you.

Guess that's it for now. I'm sure some of you will be traveling this summer to escape the heat, for a little while at least. So I wish you safe travels and hope you leave some time to come dancing with us. In the meantime, take care and remember,

*Dancing Lifts the Spirit*

*Debbie Piotte*



## Dance Lessons



As a USA Dance Chapter, we cannot recommend or promote any particular dance studio/instructor. Since you've asked, however, following is the contact info for the closest ones we know of.



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[www.bbdanceranch.com](http://www.bbdanceranch.com)

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### BALLROOM GROUP LESSONS

## TIM ALLEN – INSTRUCTOR

Central Citrus Community Center  
2804 W Marc Knighton Ct. – Room 114  
Lecanto, FL 34461

**TUESDAYS – 2:00 pm**  
**\$10 per person**

*Tim says "Anybody can dance and I can prove it"*

For more information call:  
Central Citrus Community Center at (352) 527-5993

Other local Instructors:

**Sway with Me** – [www.swaywithmeballroom.com](http://www.swaywithmeballroom.com)

Greg Nelson – [alltherightmovesFL@gmail.com](mailto:alltherightmovesFL@gmail.com)

Trish Sands – [ocaladancecenter@gmail.com](mailto:ocaladancecenter@gmail.com) or 352-216-1657



**For the latest News and Updates, plus more pictures be sure to check your website - [www.socdancer.org](http://www.socdancer.org) often, you never know when we may have something new to tell you.**



**JOIN ME IN WELCOMING THE  
NEWEST MEMBERS TO OUR  
DANCING FAMILY**



**Bill & Amy Wymer**



### Garden Party Fun



**Celebrating  
24 years  
of dancing  
together**

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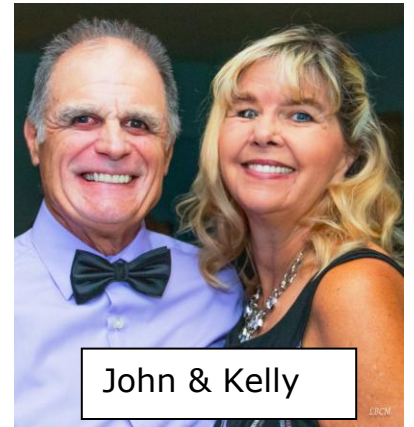
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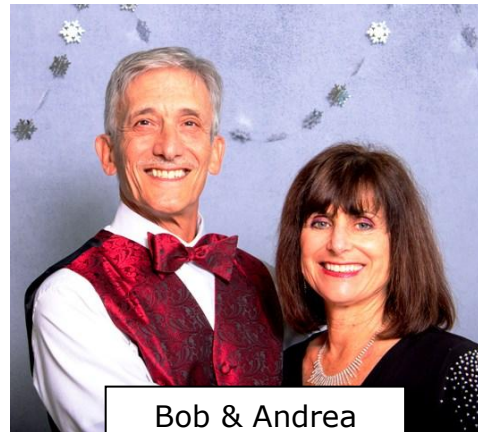
John & Kelly

# Meet your fellow dancers



Bill & Dotty

JoAnn & Richard



Bob & Andrea



Lori & Bill



Your Officers – from left: Lenore, VP; Debbie, President; Paul, Treasurer & Andrea, Secretary



# Dancing Made Special

From Your  
Special Events Committee

## July 20<sup>th</sup>



**"Patriotic Picnic Ball"** It's summer, so we're going picnicking. Bring a summer dish to share if you wish. Show your patriotic spirit by wearing red, white and/or blue. Music by Butch Phillips

## August 17<sup>th</sup>

**"Full Moon Crazy"** – Time again to wear the "craziest" outfit you can come up with and enjoy an evening of wacky fun. Music by Butch Phillips



*Coming in September*

## September 21<sup>st</sup>



**"National Ballroom Dance Week"** – Tonight is all about sharing the joys of ballroom dancing. Music by Butch Phillips

Willing to bring a cake to a Birthday Dance? Put your name next to a date on the **Cake Sign-up Sheet** or **E-mail us by the Wednesday before the dance** at [spiritofcitrus@gmail.com](mailto:spiritofcitrus@gmail.com). Bake it or buy it, doesn't matter to us.



*Dancing Lifts the Spirit," so join us at these upcoming special events. We look forward to seeing you!*

*~Debbie Piotte*

## **Knights of Columbus**

2389 W. Norvell Bryant Hwy, (Rt. 486), Lecanto, FL

## **July 14<sup>th</sup> and August 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Time: 6:30 – 9:30** (Doors open at 6:00)

**Admission: \$8.00 single - \$15.00 a couple**

Soda, water and snacks for sale.

Coffee and ice provided

50/50 Raffle

Contact Bob at (305) 542-9708 for more information

**ALL LESSONS AND FUTURE DANCES ARE WHAT WE KNOW AS OF THIS PUBLISHING. PLEASE BE SURE TO CHECK THE RESPECTIVE WEBSITES AND CONTACT INFO BEFORE MAKING THE TRIP**

## **Spirit of Citrus Dance Schedule JULY - AUGUST**

**July 6<sup>th</sup> – NO DANCE**

**July 20<sup>th</sup> – "Patriotic Picnic"** – Music by Butch Phillips

**August 3<sup>rd</sup> -NO DANCE**

**August 17<sup>th</sup> – "Full Moon Crazy"** – Music by Butch Phillips

**September 7<sup>th</sup> – NO DANCE**

**September 21<sup>st</sup> – "NBDW"**– Music by Butch Phillips

**Note: DJ's and/or themes subject to change.**

Our dances are held at the Kellner Auditorium, Beverly Hills Jewish Center, 92 Civic Circle, Beverly Hills. Admission: \$8 members, \$12 non-members. A complimentary dance lesson will be given at 7:00. Open dancing is from 7:30 to 10:00 PM. Ice and coffee provided.

## **MAKE DANCING FUN FOR EVERYONE!**

Many dancers and dancing styles can be accommodated on the floor at the same time if traditional dance floor etiquette is followed. A detailed flyer describing this is available at the sign-in desk. Mainly: Leave the outside lane clear for those traveling. Avoid stop and go movements in that lane. If you aren't traveling, go to the center of the floor. Avoid crossing through the center and keep a lookout for other dancers. Let's work together so everyone can enjoy the evening.

## **OCALA DANCES**

**JULY 18<sup>TH</sup> and AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup>**

**New Location**

**Christopher Hall**

1510 SE 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Ocala FL

(Blessed Trinity Catholic Church property)

Lesson: 7:00-7:00 - Dancing: 7:30-9:30

\$10.00 Members - \$14 Non-members

In the meantime, if you want information about any Ocala USA Dance Chapter dances, contact Pat at (352) 307-8486 or

[townhouseofbeauty@gmail.com](mailto:townhouseofbeauty@gmail.com)