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

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello, Everyone:

This year has started with one of the coldest winters we've had in a long time. We've had a lot of fun keeping warm on the dance floor and I'm looking forward to the coming of spring and even more good times. Can't say I'm looking forward to the cleanup I will have to do in my gardens though. At least it will keep me in shape to keep dancing.

We had a wide range of "team" spirit at the Super Ball. Fans from Tampa Bay, to Pittsburgh and Kansas City, and even the Cherry, Minnesota Tigers High School team enjoyed a fun night of dancing. Once again, the dance floor was awash with the romantic color of red at our Lady in Red dance. It seems every year there's more and more "red" attire making it a truly colorful evening.

Looking forward, instead of going green (it's kind of late to celebrate St. Patty's Day), we will be celebrating the coming of the new season at our "**Swing into Spring**" dance on **March 21st**. Tonight, Butch will be putting emphasis on our favorite swing dances. He may even include some "single time" swing as some of you have shown a recent interest in that one. No worries, there will be slower tunes too so we can catch our breath. Then it will be time to get back in the saddle again at our first country dance of the year, "**Boot Scootin' Ballroom**" on **April 18th**. You know what to do; wear jeans, boots and have a great time. Just a quick reminder, we have decided to end the dances at 9:30 from now on.

I am also pleased to tell you that we have added five new members to our "dancing family." Ben and Denise have been dancing with us for awhile and I am glad they decided to be "official" family members. Larry and Debbie make the trip from Ocala. Roberta has been enjoying our dances and decided it was time to join as she anticipates lots of dances in her future. Check out Page 2 of this Newsletter to see their smiling faces so the next time you see them you can give them a warm Spirit of Citrus welcome.

Guess that's all I have to tell you for now. I'm looking forward to joining you on the dance floor with a spring in our steps. In the meantime, take care, be safe 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.



"Make the Rest of Your Life the Best of Your Life...Dance"

Thursday Night GROUP CLASS in MARCH

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COMING IN APRIL – TWO-STEP

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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 – Basic - 2:00 pm/ Intermediate – 3:00 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

Greg Nelson – alltherightmovesFL@gmail.com

Trish Sands – ocaladancecenter@gmail.com or 352-216-1657



Ben and Denise



Roberta



Larry and Debbie



SOC Family Members

Don't forget
to set your clocks
on March 8th



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Dancing Made Special

From Your
Special Events Committee

March 21st



“Swing into Spring” Celebrate the coming of spring with a night of energetic dancing. Emphasis will be put on your favorite swing melodies. Music by Butch Phillips

April 18th

“Boot Scootin’ Ballroom - Country Dance” Time for those boots and hats again. Butch brings us danceable country tunes mixed in with some ballroom standards. Yeehaw!



Coming in May

May 16th



“Safari Adventure Ball” Let’s get “wild”. The lion won’t be sleeping tonight, he’ll be dancing. Wear an animal print outfit for fun. 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. 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

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

Spirit of Citrus Dance Schedule MARCH-APRIL

March 7th – “Birthday” Complimentary cake will be served – Music by Tim Allen

March 21st – “Swing into Spring” - Music by Butch Phillips

April 4th – “Birthday” – Complimentary cake will be served – Music by Tim Allen

April 18th - “Boot Scootin’ Ballroom” Country Dance – Music by Butch Phillips

May 2nd - “Birthday” – Complimentary cake will be served – Music by Tim Allen

May 16th - “Safari Adventure Ball” - 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 9:30 PM. Ice and coffee provided.

Oak Run Dance Club

“TROPICAL NIGHTS” DINNER DANCE

Sunday, April 26th, at Palm Grove C.C.

Doors open at 4:30 pm with dinner at 5:00 and dancing from 6:00-9:00 pm. Admission: \$40.

Dress is light and bright – no shorts or coconut bras. For ticket info, contact Linda Jorinscay at (814) 350-0651 or Audrey Haskew at (352) 598-3438

Knights of Columbus

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

March 8th & April 12th

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

Admission: \$10:00

Soda, water and snacks for sale.

Coffee and ice provided

50/50 Raffle

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

OCALA CHAPTER DANCES

MARCH 19TH & APRIL 16TH

Barn at Bellemoor

10642 SE 36th Ave., Belleview, FL 34420

(Use GPS Address: 10725 Seth 36th Ave., Belleview)

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

\$10.00 Members - \$15.00 Non-members

For info –

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