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

**MAY/JUNE 2025**

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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

**Hello, Everyone:**

So have we been having a lot of FUN this year or what? Well, at least I have, and judging by the smiling faces I've been seeing, I'm sure you have too. The good news is that there is still more to come. Summer is almost here so I want to remind you that starting in July we will be having only one dance a month on the third Saturday.

We enjoyed another colorful evening at the Leprechaun Ball as there was a lot of "wearing o' the green". To make the evening even more special, our very own Leprechaun, Doug T. performed a wonderful Irish Song Medley. Thanks again, Doug, for sharing your delightful talent. Then we had a hoppin' good time at the Bunny Hop. Butch wore a lot of us out by playing a spirited variety of swings, as they just sounded too good to remain seated. Throw in some bunny ears and a Conga line and we ended up with a super fun evening.

Looking to the future, our next special event is our **"Blue Jeans & Diamonds" Country dance on May 17<sup>th</sup>**. As usual, jeans and western wear is the attire for the evening. You're also invited to explore your inner "Rhinestone Cowboy" by throwing some glitz into your attire. Then, it's the celebration we've been waiting for, our **"25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ball" on June 21<sup>st</sup>**. Having been here since the beginning, it still amazes me that our Chapter has survived this long (Paul and I just don't feel that old – most days anyways). There have been times over the years that we thought we might not make it another year. Thanks to the support of our past and current members, we not only continued on, we're still going strong. *So as a "thank you", your Board has decided to grant "Free" admission to our USA Dance members.* There will also be special decorations and a Goodies table. You are invited to bring a contribution to the table if you so desire. I certainly hope you are able to join us in this once in a lifetime event.

Speaking of members, please join me in welcoming our newest ones, Bill and Amy Wymer. They've been members of the Southwest Florida Chapter and recently moved up this way. They've enjoyed several of our dances and decided it was time to be part of "our dancing family." Welcome, Bill & Amy!

Guess that's it for now. Wishing you a Happy Mother's and/or Father's Day, and looking forward to joining you on the dance floor again. 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.



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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](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



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**[www.socdancer.org](http://www.socdancer.org) often, you never know when we may have something new to tell you.**

## SPRING TIME "SPIRIT"



## SPIRIT OF CITRUS DANCERS BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2025

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# Dancing Made Special

From Your  
Special Events Committee

## May 17<sup>th</sup>



**"Blue Jeans & Diamonds" Country Dance** – Time to explore your inner "Rhinestone Cowboy" and enjoy a night of danceable country music. Jeans and Bling is the attire. Music by Butch Phillips

## June 21<sup>st</sup>

**"Anniversary Ball"** – It's our Silver Anniversary! Dress is Black & White. As a gift for your loyalty, USA Dance members get in free. Goodies table too. Music by Butch Phillips.



## Coming in July

## July 19<sup>th</sup>

**"Margaritaville Ball"** Celebrate summer Jimmy Buffet style. Dress is beach casual. 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 Pottle

**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 MAY-JUNE

**May 3<sup>rd</sup> - "Birthday"** – Complimentary cake will be served – Music by Tim Allen

**May 17<sup>th</sup> - "Blue Jeans & Diamonds" Country Dance** - Music by Butch Phillips

**June 7<sup>th</sup> - "Birthday"** Complimentary cake will be served – Music by Tim Allen

**June 21<sup>st</sup> - "25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ball"** - Music by Butch Phillips

**July 5<sup>th</sup> - NO DANCE**

**July 19<sup>th</sup> - "Margaritaville 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 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 CHAPTER DANCES

**MAY 15<sup>TH</sup> & JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup>  
NEW VENUE**

**Barn at Bellemoor**

10642 SE 36<sup>th</sup> Ave., Belleview, FL 34420

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

\$10.00 Members - \$14 Non-members

For more info – email them at

[usadance6027@gmail.com](mailto:usadance6027@gmail.com)

Note: GPS users enter the address of the Belleview Veterinary Hospital, 10725 SE 36<sup>th</sup> Ave. which is directly across the street from the proper entrance to the Barn.

## Knights of Columbus

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

**May 11<sup>th</sup> & June 8<sup>th</sup>**

**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**