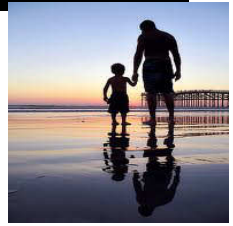




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## FATHER'S DAY EDITION June, 2011



Father's Day is dedicated to honor fathers, to celebrate fatherhood, paternal bonds, male parenting, and the influence of fathers in society. It is also celebrated to honor and commemorate our forefathers. The first observance of Father's Day actually took place in Fairmont, West Virginia on July 5, 1908. It was organized by Mrs. Grace Golden Clayton.

On June 19, 1910 through the efforts of Sonora Smart Dodd of Spokane, Washington, who felt strongly that fatherhood needed recognition and to complement Mother's Day, Father's Day observance was celebrated by Spokane YMCA, which endorsed Dodd's idea and helped it spread by celebrating Father's Day when young members of the YMCA went to church wearing roses: a red rose to honor a living father, and a white rose to honor a deceased one.

It took many years to make the holiday official. Father's Day ran the risk of disappearing from the calendar. Where Mother's Day was met with enthusiasm, Father's Day was often met with laughter. It was the target of much satire, parody and derision, including jokes.

In 1966, President Lyndon B. Johnson issued the first presidential proclamation honoring fathers, designating the third Sunday in June as Father's Day. Six years later, the day was made a permanent national holiday when President Richard Nixon signed it into law in 1972.

The officially recognized date of Father's Day varies from country to country.

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia



"I cannot think of any need in childhood as strong as the need for a father's protection." ~ Sigmund Freud

"The Dancer believes that his art has something to say which cannot be expressed in words or in any other way than by dancing.." ~Doris Humphrey, 1937



On May 7, 2011, As an appreciation to all of the people who had loyally supported them and cheered them on in their bid for the National Titles, Janis Merluzzo and Daniel Fugazzotto danced a medley of all their title dances in American Smooth, and medleys from their American Rhythm championship title dances at Gotta Dance Studio in Nikomas, FL.



On May 22, at the USA Dance Chapter 6049 in Fort Myers the attendees had a special treat from a visit by the 2011 USA Dance National Champions, Daniel Fugazzotto and Janis Merluzzo from the White Sands Chapter in Sarasota. They performed their "HONORS DANCE" from the 2011 USA Dance National Championship Awards. (Their results in that National Competition were: Senior 2 American Rhythm Championship Title; Senior 3 American Rhythm Championship Title; Senior 2 American 9 Dance 1st ; Senior 3 American 9 Dance 1st).

Fantastic Achievement! Congratulations, Daniel Fugazzoto and Janis Merluzzo!



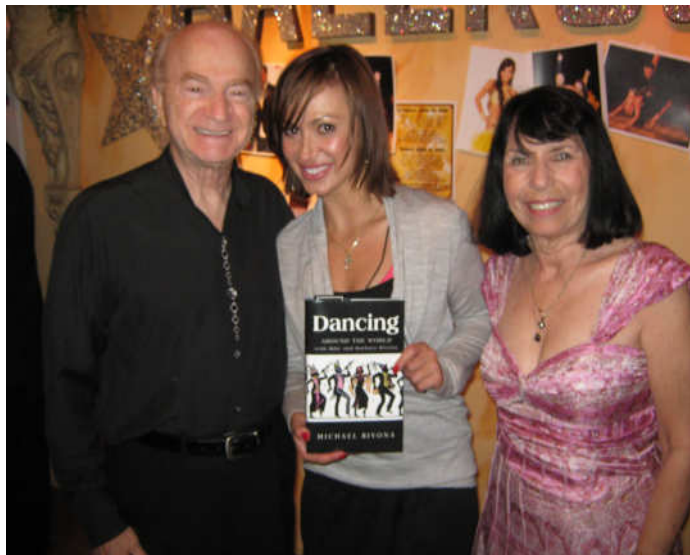
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*“Any fool can be a Father, but it takes a real man to be a Daddy!!”* by: Philip Whitmore Snr

### FEATURE DANCERS:



Long time Royal Palm chapter members Mike and Barbara Bivona, flanking Karina Smirnoff of *Dancing With the Stars*, presented her with one of several books he published, a signed copy of his favorite book, *"Dancing Around the World with Mike and Barbara Bivona"* at GoldCoast Ballroom.

Mike and Barbara are snowbirds spending six months in the fall and winter in Florida and the summer months in Long Island, New York. They dance at Goldcoast and Danny Maloney's Grand Ballroom several times a week and while in New York attend many of the dance venues throughout Long Island. They are also honorary members of the **"Argentine Tango Lovers' of Long Island"** club, which encourages dancers to enjoy the various Argentine Tango dances, and which also travels around the world spreading its love of the Argentine Tango.

Mike and Barbara have given exhibitions at various nursing homes and other charitable functions on behalf of our chapter and will continue to do so in the future. Anyone interested in joining them this winter in entertaining at these type of events are requested to contact them at: [Tangohombre@msn.com](mailto:Tangohombre@msn.com).

Mike and Barbara have been married for 47 years. They met when Barbara was working in

the theater industry at the Radio City Music Hall Complex in Manhattan. Her company's CPA firm sent Mike to check her books and records. . . they married two years later and the rest is history. They have two children, Stephen and Laurie and three beautiful grandchildren from ages 12 years to 7 months old.

Barbara and Mike retired in the late 1990s, she from real estate management, and he from the computer industry. They both wrote for the Long Island dance publication "Around the Floor" for many years. They enjoy traveling, dancing (especially the Argentine Tango), boating, and writing. They do a fascinating West Coast Swing too!



### At the May Royal Palm Chapter Dance

- \* Seen enjoying great dancing during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday Chapter dance at the Goldcoast were 35 of our members: Misha Bartnovsky, Mike and Barbara Bivona, Maria Campos, Vi and Vic Chiong, Adrian Crooks, Geri and Mike Easter, Tatiana Habanova, Marie Kastenbauer, Brian Kendenthal, Joan Lieberman, David and Kay Lines, Les and Patti Maconald, Louis Mangone, James Martin, Herb McCarter and Terry O'Donnell, Paula Mendelsohn, Sirius Partian, Linda Miller, Elizabeth Monge, Miara Mooi-Wilten, Alex Nastaskin, Mel Niser, Syrus Partian, Harriet Pownall, Sylvie Savineau, Daniel Shanetzky, Carla Sheedy, Arline Shulman, Marius Ungureanu, Margit Weir



*“The real message of the Dance opens up the vistas of life to all who have the urge to express beauty with no other instrument than their own bodies, with no apparatus and no dependence on anything other than space.” ~ Ruth St. Denis*



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Dancers work and live from the inside. They drive themselves constantly Producing a glow that lights not only themselves but audience after audience." ~M. Louis

## Membership Renewals

Rosemarie Brennan  
Carole DePasquale  
Ellie Kagel  
Robert Pressler

**Our membership is currently at 99%.  
Thank you, thank you, thank you!!!**

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## Welcome New Members!

Dajan Wu      Margit Weir  
Mel Niser

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**Happy Birthday!!!**  
June Birthdays

Rosemarie Brennan  
Marie Kastenbauer  
Joan Lieberman  
George Magill  
Lois Osrowitz  
Helena Zaludova

**Beautiful**



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*Dancing is like dreaming with your feet. ~ Constanze*

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## Attention Royal Palm Competitors

If you are going to Southern Star's comp Sat., July 30 in Tampa, please email Patti at [dancinmacs@comcast.net](mailto:dancinmacs@comcast.net) or call 561-740-9589. We will sponsor 1/2 your entry and hope you will represent our chapter.

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USA DANCE presents Sebring Social - DATE CHANGE ANNOUNCEMENT!

DUE TO AN EVENT CONFLICT WE HAVE RE-SCHEDULED THE SEBRING SOCIAL. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR: NEW DATE - AUGUST 19, 20, 21, 2011

Jean Krupa, Event Organizer

Join us: Don Davenport, President, SW Florida Chapter 6049 USA Dance Inc. 239-368-8423

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Get well wishes and a speedy recovery are extended to Linda Miller and Patricia Walker. May each day bring you closer to a complete recovery. Our prayers are with you. Looking forward to seeing you on the dance floor.

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We share Paul and Diane Holleran's sorrow in the loss of Paul's mother. May you both find peace in your warm and loving memories in all the days that follow.

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*"Every step of the way to heaven is heaven." -- St. Catherine of Siena*



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**Mark your Calendar !!!**

**Goldcoast Ballroom**

**Tuesday, June 14, 2011 7:00 pm**

**June is Fathers' Day Appreciation Day at Goldcoast Ballroom!**

**All men who are current members of our chapter  
get their entry fee paid by USADance.**

**Grand Ballroom**

**Thursday June 16, 2011 8:00 pm**

**The Grand Ballroom has graciously offered to host a dance for USA Dance members. Since no Officer will be at the desk you MUST show your current membership card to receive the discount. Thank you for your cooperation.**

**Thank you to those who support our dances at both, Goldcoast and The Grand Ballroom.**

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**We need NEWS!**

**Please submit any news or pictures that you would like  
Published in our Newsletter, to Terry O'Donnell, Newsletter editor,  
to [terryod1@hotmail.com](mailto:terryod1@hotmail.com)**

**THANK YOU!**

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*When I was a boy of fourteen, my father was so ignorant I could hardly stand to have the old man around. But when I got to be twenty-one, I was astonished at how much he had learned in seven years.*

*~Mark Twain, "Old Times on the Mississippi" Atlantic Monthly, 1874*



Something New - Classified Ads
Only for Members- Please No Businesses

If you have a dance related item you would like to sell, please provide a description of the item, its price, your name, phone # and, or email. You may advertise dance shoes, dance videos, ballroom and Latin costumes, and any other dance item. Send your information to Terry O'Donnell at terryod1@hotmail.com

Any member interested in selling a dance related item?

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Officers for 2011-2012

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'A man never stands as tall as when he kneels to help a child.' by: Knights of Pythagoras



## MAY 2011 USA DANCE CRUISELETTER



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- \* Unique ports of call
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- \* Top rated dance instructors
- \* Full program of ballroom, Latin and rhythm dance classes

**Call and reserve your cabin today.  
Space is limited to 250 USA DANCERS & GUESTS**

**This year the price includes your taxes, port charges AND travel insurance.**



Day	Date	Port	Arrive	Depart
0	04 Dec 2011	Fort Lauderdale, Florida, US		05:00 PM
1	05 Dec 2011	At Sea		
2	06 Dec 2011	Grand Turk, Turks and Caicos	07:00 AM	03:00 PM
3	07 Dec 2011	San Juan, Puerto Rico	Noon	08:00 PM
4	08 Dec 2011	Philipsburg (St. Maarten), AN	07:00 AM	03:00 PM
5	09 Dec 2011	At Sea		
6	10 Dec 2011	Half Moon Cay, Bahamas TR	08:00 AM	04:00 PM
7	11 Dec 2011	Fort Lauderdale, Florida, US	07:00 AM	

*Additional expenses include optional shore excursions and gratuities*



Join USA Dance members, family and friends on the Second USA DANCE National Dance Cruise for seven sun filled days and balmy nights of dancing and fun aboard the elegant **Westerdam**, visiting San Juan, St. Maarten, Grand Turks and a private island for the trip of a lifetime.

Departing Ft. Lauderdale on Sunday, December 4, 2011, prices begin at only \$999 per person based on double occupancy. Includes taxes, port fees and travel insurance. Returning to Ft. Lauderdale on Sunday, December 11, 2011. Enjoy the ports and sights - reward yourself with gourmet dining, spectacular shows, exotic destinations and plenty of dancing.

This second national social dance cruise, sponsored by USA DANCE and Holland America Line, brings social dancers together from across the country and supports the organization's national programs. The cruise includes ballroom, Latin and club-style dance instruction from top professional instructors and nearly non-stop dance activities throughout the week, plus great shipboard entertainment.

*USA DANCE offers you the scenic route - - - **Take It!***

*It's just what your doctor ordered - if you have a doctor who prescribes tropical paradise and other fun stuff.*

**DANCE INSTRUCTORS:** Returning as guest dance instructors will be Dan and Silke Calloway.

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In addition, we also have Ken Richards, DanceSport VP, teaching workshops in Hustle, Salsa, West Coast and Bolero. Other instructors TBA. This is a great opportunity to share your passion for dancing, to meet new friends, and enjoy the Caribbean. We will hold Workshops daily while at sea and while in port, plus evening dances and some afternoon dances leaving your evening open to enjoy a show. Imagine a week of nearly non-stop dancing, grand meals, gala theme nights, exciting shows and an onboard casino with your fellow dancers.

**DANCE HOST PROGRAM** Ladies: There will be a dance host program available for the ladies and will be LIMITED to the first 50 women ONLY! The cost is \$120. for the entire week. Dance hosts are USA Dance members from across the US. To participate you will need to reserve your place ASAP.

### **BONUS CLASS**



By Popular Demand! This year we will have a **Chapter Support** class on **Recruiting and Retaining Members - - -**

A workshop designed to provide you with creative, productive and imaginative ideas for growing your chapter membership and retaining current members and volunteers. Recently presented at the 2011 USA DANCE National Chapter Conference with rave reviews; this topic and class was so well received at the conference it was suggested we present it on the cruise - so we are! Please plan to attend one of the presentations, you will be glad you did.

## TRAVEL TIPS



- A) To board Holland America you will need to bring your passport.
- B) The passport must be valid for at least six months from the departure date.
- C) We have been informed irons and other similar electrical devices may be used in the cabins.

### SPACE IS LIMITED - BOOK NOW



Don't miss this chance to be included in our dance cruise experience. Space is limited, so book online at [www.dancecruiseUSADANCE.com](http://www.dancecruiseUSADANCE.com) or call 1-866-391-2680.

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Yours truly,

Jean Krupa

Cruise Director and USA Dance Social VP

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# Tentative Schedule of Events

## Top Student, Top Teacher, & Top Studio Awards

This Schedule is subject to change. The order of events listed here may not represent the actual order in which the heats will be presented.  
 We will make every effort possible to accommodate all dancers so that there are as few schedule conflicts as possible.  
 A Scheduled registration period will be held 1 hour prior to each session. Please attend to any conflicts or problems at this time.

### Sunday July, 24th

#### Session I

8:00 am Registration

9:00 am American Ballroom & International Standard Solos,  
 Closed & Open Single Dance Entries, Bronze & Silver Multi-Dance Events  
 4 & 5 Dance Pro-Am Multi-Dance Events  
 All Amateur Novice & Rising Star Events

1:00 pm American Rhythm & International Latin Solos,  
 Closed & Open Single Dance Entries, Bronze & Silver Multi-Dance Events  
 4 & 5 Dance Pro-Am Multi-Dance Events  
 All Amateur Novice & Rising Star Events

#### Session II

7:00 pm Dinner Buffet

8:00 pm Evening Dancing overlooking the Miami Skyline featuring:

**All Student & Top Awards Ceremony**  
 Honor Dances by Top Solo Performers & Winners of the Open Multi-Dance Events  
**Showtime Featuring**  
 2010 Grand National International Standard Champions  
 Ruslan Meshkov & Alexandra Nema

**All Participating Teachers  
 Dancing 40 or more entries  
 Will be guaranteed  
 Top Teacher Prize Monies**

**Scholarship Events (Voucher Awards)**  
 4 & 5 Dance Open Multi-Dance Events  
 A, B & C Age Divisions

1<sup>st</sup> – \$100                      2<sup>nd</sup> – \$75                      3<sup>rd</sup> – \$50

Vouchers good for Single Dance Entries at the  
 41<sup>st</sup> Grand National Championships

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#### Top Student

(Awards are to be calculated from all placements in the relevant styles and levels)

American & International Style Awards

Newcomer, Bronze, Silver, Gold

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#### Top Studio Awards

Commemorative Trophy will be awarded

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All competing students on package will receive  
 an elegant participation award.

Point Calculation table for all top student, studio,  
 and bonus top teacher awards

Each entry – 1 point  
 1<sup>st</sup> place – 8 points  
 2<sup>nd</sup> place – 7 points  
 3<sup>rd</sup> place – 6 points  
 4<sup>th</sup> place – 5 points  
 5<sup>th</sup> place – 4 points  
 6<sup>th</sup> place – 3 points  
 7<sup>th</sup> place – 2 points  
 8<sup>th</sup> place – 1 point  
 Each recall – 1 point

There will be a 1 point deduction for uncontested entries  
 Adult Multi-Dance entries: Double Above Points

## Miami Dancesport – Amateur – Entry Form

**Please Note – both partners must sign this release and provide their registration numbers**

Coach/Studio (If applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Gentleman \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

NDCA Registration #: \_\_\_\_\_ Pre-Teen/Junior/Youth – Provide age: \_\_\_\_\_

Lady \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

NDCA Registration #: \_\_\_\_\_ Pre-Teen/Junior/Youth – Provide age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### JR, Adult & Senior Amateur – Multi-Dance

All Categories Below will be danced in the Evening Session

Entry Fees:	Package Holders	Non-Package Holders
Adult Novice:	\$25	\$35
Adult Rising Star:	\$25	\$35
All Junior events:	\$15	\$20

Age division determined by the age of the older partner upon the day of competition

Youth Amateur couples may dance in Adult A categories

Pre-Teen, Junior and Youth:

Costuming as permitted by NDCA rules. Guidelines and restrictions may be found at [www.ndca.org](http://www.ndca.org)

NDCA Rules & Guidelines will be adhered to throughout this event.

Admission tickets are required for the session in which you will be dancing.

**Please circle age division and events entered**

Pre-Teen: 12 & under    Junior: 13-14    Youth: 16-18

Adult "A": 16 & over                      Adult "B": 35 & over

**Novice American Ballroom 2-Dance: W/T**

**R/S American Ballroom 3- Dance: W/T/F**

**Novice American Rhythm 2-Dance: CC/R**

**R/S American Rhythm 3- Dance: CC/R/SW**

**Novice International Standard 2-Dance: W/T**

**R/S International Standard 3- Dance: W/T/F**

**Novice International Latin 2-Dance: CC/R**

**R/S International Latin 3- Dance: CC/S/R**

**Release:** The aforesigned, being fully cognizant of the risks inherent in ballroom dancing and exhibitions, shall hereby:

1. Assume all risks of bodily injury (including death) and property damage inherent in attending this event.
2. Release and hold harmless Miami Dancesport; Peter and Cassandra Schneider; Brian Smith; Dance America, Inc.; and/or the National Dance Council of America, Inc. from all liability to me, my personal representatives, assigns, heirs, and next of kin, against any claim or cause of action which I, or anyone claiming by, through or under me, may at any time have against those hereby released, arising out of bodily injury (including death) or damage, loss or theft of articles left in changing rooms, ballrooms, or hotel rooms, suffered by me while attending this event.
3. Consent to the use of release of his/her name and likeness to be used in photographs, television filming, and recording of the event in connection with the television broadcast, exhibition, distribution or promotion of the event in any manner and by any means, now or in the future by, Miami Dancesport and/or its parent, related, affiliated or subsidiary companies; Peter and Cassandra Schneider; Brian Smith; Dance America, Inc.; and/or the National Dance Council of America, Inc. \*

• If any person has objection to being video taped or the possibility of being seen on these tapes or in any publicity trailers or other use of his or her picture, please notify the organizers of this event within 30 days prior to the commencement. Failure to notify will be considered as permission granted.

All persons attending this event, whether as spectators or as competitors or as officials or guests of the organizer, shall be bound by the National Dance Council of America, Inc. rules, and by participating in this event, automatically become obligated to adhere to them.

In the event of a dispute with the NDCA, its rules or decisions, I agree to follow all avenues of appeal available to me within the council. If after all avenues of appeal have been exhausted and the matter is still unresolved, I hereby agree to submit the dispute to arbitration by an outside arbiter provided by the American Arbitration Association, the site of any such arbitration shall be chosen by the NDCA.

#### Hotel Accommodation:

Should you wish to stay at the Miami Beach Resort & Spa please contact the hotel directly:

**MIAMI BEACH RESORT**, 4833 Collins Ave,  
Miami Beach, Florida 33140  
866-765-9090