DANCE BULLETIN

# USA DANCER

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## Just A Few Words…

Our "Valentine Ball" filled the dance hall with "The Love of Dance!

We want to extend our most sincere gratitude to the over 70 attendees at the February dance. Eighteen great dancers participated in our 6 pm free group class. The spirit of Valentine's Day was ever present in the sea of red floating and swinging across the dance floor.

Thank you to Tim & Nastasya Hnat for sharing their love of dance with a lively and lovely Quickstep performance!

We hope you enjoy the walk down memory lane as you scroll through the February photo montage.

Lastly, join us in honoring two members our dance family who passed on this month, Dr. Jean Hayden & Gordon Arthur Lohnes, Jr. Until we can dance together again, they are forever in our hearts!

# ENTERTAINMENT & NOTES

**"A Lively & Lovely Quickstep"**

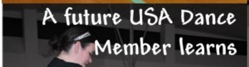
**Entertainment provided by:**

**Our very own DJ & Music Masters**

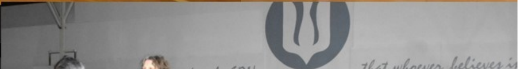
**Tim and Nastasya Hnat**

**Thank you for sharing your love of dance with us!**

# DANCE PHOTOS



A future USA Dance
Member learns

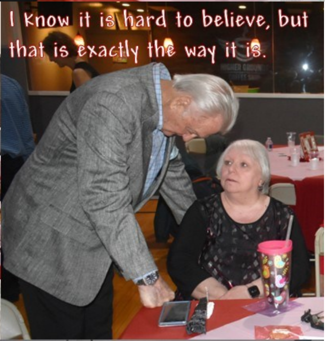


his patterns.

The Samba Line Dancers practice Volta & Bota Fucos

Is he still standing there with camera pointed this way?
Yes, he is!

LOVE
IS ALL YOU NEED


I know it is hard to believe, but that is exactly the way it is.

For GOD so loved t
t he gave his one and only SON,

Not a word of truth
to that!

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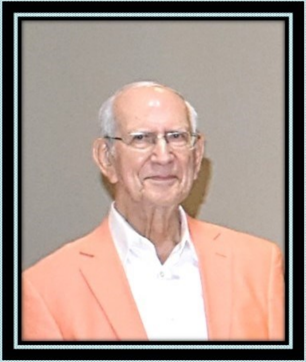
# In Memoriam

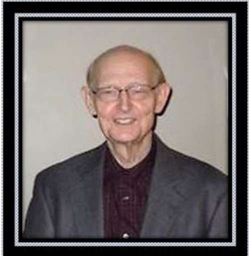


## Dr. Jean Hayden

The dance community lost one of our all-stars this month, Dr. Jean Hayden, who was 101 years old! Dr. Jean was born in Brooklyn, NY in 1922. He attended High School in New York and Connecticut and served as a Corpsman in the US Army. After the Army, Dr. Jean graduated from the Southern College of Optometry, and practiced optometry in the Memphis area for about 30 years.

Dr. Jean was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 40 years, Rosa. He is survived by his three children and a number of grandchildren and great grandchildren. He was an active member of Baron Hirsch Synagogue.

Dr. Jean loved to dance and was an active supporter of McWherter and Lewis Senior Center dances. He was a member of USA Dance and attended other community dances. USA Dance had the opportunity to celebrate Dr. Jean's 100 birthday at a dance in his honor at the McWherter Center in April 2022. He danced with every lady in attendance and even had his own *Jam Session*. Dr. Jean will be missed by all!



## Gordon Arthur Lohnes, Jr.

Gordon (91) was lifelong learner, he graduated from Central High School (1950), then received degrees from LaSalle Extension University (1951), State Technical Institute (1971), and University of Memphis Fogelman College of Business and Economics (1987) where he graduated summa cum laude.

He was an avid ballroom dancer, one of the founding members of our USA Dance chapter in 1998 and won several Arthur Murray competitions. Gordon served as Treasurer on our Board of Directors in the early 2000's as well as being an active volunteer for all of our activities. He was also an active member, volunteer, and supporter of the Lucille McWherter Senior Center.

Gordon was always a joy to be around, and he will be missed by all who knew him.

## USA Dance Membership

Dancers are generally the nicest and friendliest people you will meet. Attending USA Dance events is one of the best places to meet them. USA Dance has over 100 chapters nationwide and members receive discounts on ballroom chapter events around the country and more benefits!

You may join or renew your membership at any of our dances or online at: www.usadance.org. If you have any difficulties with the online system, please contact Barbara Cook, Membership Chairman:

**Phone:** (901) 292-

## New & Renewed

### Renewed:

**Gail Cockrell**

**Virginia Jeffrey**

USA Dance - Greater Memphis Chapter welcomes our new members & acknowledge those who recently renewed.

Our members are the strength of our chapter and we appreciate each and every one!

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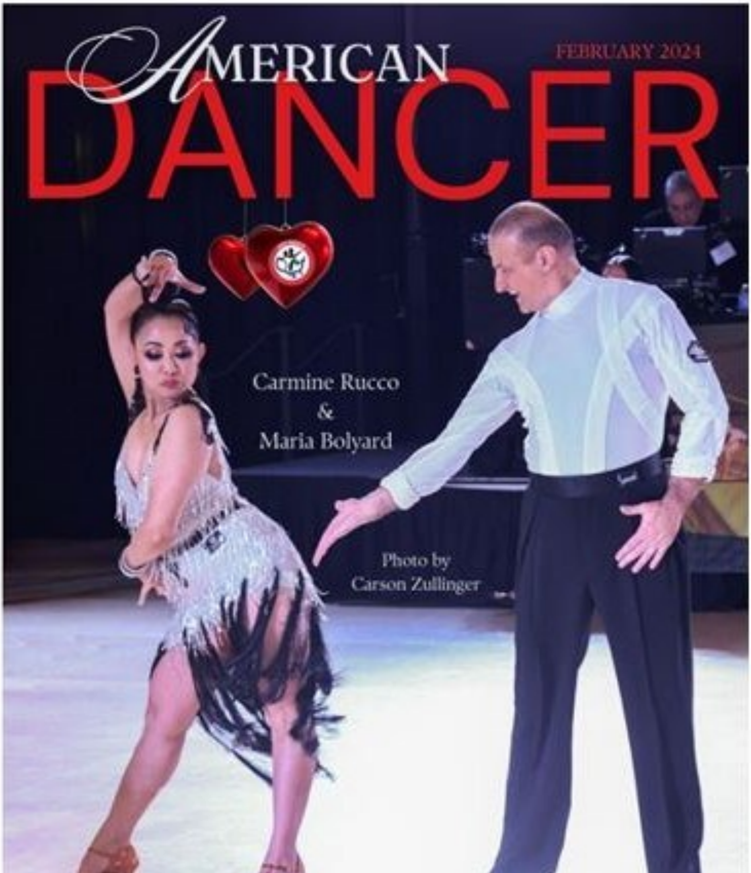
**We look forward to sharing a dance floor with you soon!**



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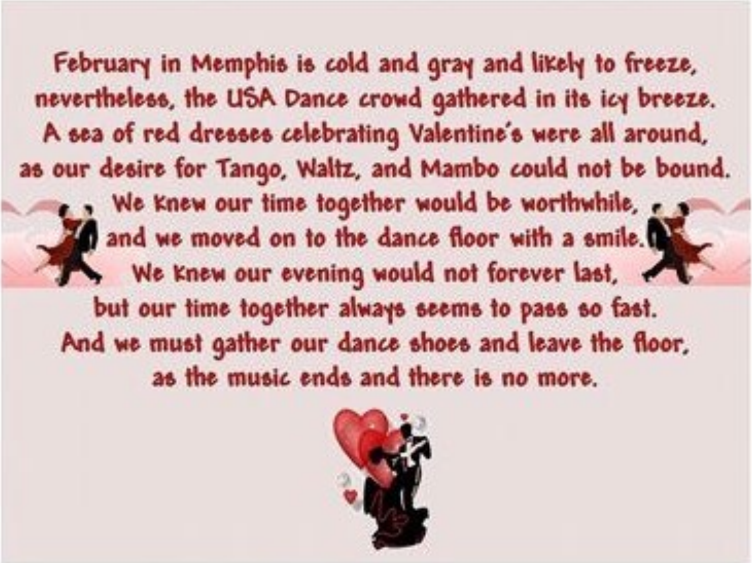
## "Final Thoughts"

## from our poetic Past-President Mr. Robert White...



February in Memphis is cold and gray and likely to freeze,
nevertheless, the USA Dance crowd gathered in its icy breeze.
A sea of red dresses celebrating Valentine's were all around,
as our desire for Tango, Waltz, and Mambo could not be bound.
We knew our time together would be worthwhile,
and we moved on to the dance floor with a smile.
We knew our evening would not forever last,
but our time together always seems to pass so fast.
And we must gather our dance shoes and leave the floor,
as the music ends and there is no more.

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