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Dear Competitors and Friends:

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to attend the American Star Ball dance competition, to be held at Tropicana Casino and Resort in Atlantic City, NJ, May 20-22, 2011. This competition is open to all registered professional and amateur dancers.

All the information and entry forms needed are within this booklet. If we have overlooked anything or if there is any additional information needed, please do not hesitate to contact us at the address or phone numbers given.

If you decide not to go on package, we have a block of rooms reserved and you can make your reservations directly with the hotel at **800-247-8767** and tell them you are with the American Star Ball. Book your hotel rooms early our block is only available until May 10th or until it is sold out, whichever happens first.

The deadline for entries is May 2, 2011. We will be unable to accept professional or amateur entries that are not received in time to be printed in the program. We go to print at 8am on May 9, so please have your entries in if you intend to compete professionally or would like your entries counted towards the top teacher awards.

We will be having a nifty fifty drawing for all Pro/Am teachers and also a scavenger hunt for all participants in the competition, so be sure to bring a bag with anything you can think of, from rubber bands to postage stamps. You never know what we will be asking for.

We hope that you will join us, and we will do our utmost to make your experience a memorable and enjoyable one.

We look forward to seeing you once again at the American Star Ball.

Sincerely

Susan Ardary
Roxanne Ardary
Camille Kravets

Tentative Schedule of Events

Friday Evening (3:00pm) May 20 (dressy casual)

All Pro/am and Adult Amateur American Rhythm Divisions
Package Holders Dinner
Professional Rising Star
Package Holders Welcome Reception

Saturday Matinee (8:00am) May 21 (dressy casual)

All Pro/am and Adult Amateur International Latin Divisions (except Amateur A Open Championships)
Pro/Am and Amateur Solo Exhibitions
All Pro/am and Adult Amateur American Smooth Divisions

Saturday Grand Banquet (6:00pm) May 21

Saturday Evening (8:00pm) May 21 (Formal)

Amateur A Open Standard Scholarship Championships
Amateur A Open Latin Scholarship Championships
Professional Open Showcases
Professional Open Smooth, Rhythm, Standard and Latin Divisions

Professional Show

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Four Times Undefeated World and British Open Professional Exhibition Champions

Victor Da Silva and Hanna Karttunen

Professional and Package Holders Party

Sunday Morning (8:00am) May 22 (dressy casual)

All Pro/Am and Adult Amateur International Standard Divisions (Except Amateur A Open Championships)

Top Teacher and Student Awards

Sunday Afternoon (2:00pm) May 22 Children's Session

Children's American Smooth
Children's American Rhythm
Children's International Standard
Children's International Latin

New Collegiate Competitor Package

New for the the American Star Ball 2011! Only \$80 per couple includes a weekend pass for all competitive sessions including the Saturday night events and professional show, compete in up to 8 entries in single dance or multi-dance events within 2 consecutive levels up to the Pre-Champ Division. Limited to ages 16 to 29. Proof of age and valid student ID required, meals and hotel not included.. Scheduled to dance during Amateur Events.

Amateur Adult and Collegiate Single Dance Events

Collegiate Age Division: A1 (16-29) Proof of age and valid student ID required

Adult Age Divisions: A1 (18-29) A2 (30-39) A3 (40-49) B1 (50-59)
B2 (60-69) C1 (70-79) C2 (80+)

- age categories may be merged if there are less than three entries
- competitors may dance 2 consecutive age groups (see rule #13)

****Levels:** Newcomer (first time competitor or less than 30 hrs of lessons), Pre-Bronze, Bronze 1, Full Bronze, Open Bronze, Pre-Silver, Silver 1, Full Silver, Open Silver, Pre-Gold, Gold 1, Open Gold

**** Adult competitors may dance up to 3 consecutive levels (see rule #14)**

- Costumes may be worn in all categories however, no thongs are permitted.
- Materials danced must coincide with any NDCA approved step list.
- No lifts are permitted.

Amateur Adult and Collegiate Adult Multi-Dance Events

Age Divisions: A(18-34) B(35-54) C(55+)

- Adult competitors may dance 2 consecutive age groups (see rule #13)
- Collegiate competitors dance in A category only, proof of age and valid school ID required.

Levels: Syllabus -2 dance - Bronze, Silver, Gold
Novice Open (3 dance) , Open Pre-Championship(4 dance), Open Championship

- Competitors may dance up to 2 consecutive levels
- Costumes may be worn in all categories however, no thongs are permitted.
- Materials danced must coincide with any NDCA approved step list.
- No lifts are permitted.
- With the exception of Open International Championships (A division), all adult and collegiate Amateurs will compete in the same session as the corresponding Pro/Am Adult divisions.
- **Open Amateur Latin and Standard Championships (A division)** will be Scholarship events

Awards: 1st \$300 - 2nd \$200 - 3rd \$100

****Championship entries fees are not included in the Collegiate Competitor Package**

Amateur Solos

- May not exceed 2 ½ minutes
- music must be provided on an individual CD
- Lifts are permitted

Children's Divisions - Sunday

Levels- Single Dances: \$15.00 per Dance

PB-Pre-Bronze, B-Closed Bronze, OB-Open Bronze
S - Closed Silver, OS - Open Silver,
G - Closed Gold, OG - Open Gold

Early Bird Special
\$10.00 per dance entries are received
with payment by April 25th

Open Multi Dances:

Pre-Champ (4 dances) (C/S/R/J) (W/T/F/Q) (\$20.00 per event)
Open (5 dances) (C/S/R/P/J) (W/T/VW/F/Q) (\$30.00 per event)

Age Divisions:

Amateur Couple: V (Under 10) P (10-11) J (12-13) T (14-15) Y (16-18)

Ladies Singles: (partner's name must be listed)

LV-Under 10, LP (10-11), LJ (12-13), LT (14-15), LY (16-18)

Gentleman Singles: (partner's name must be listed) Add a G in front of the age group (ex: GV or GY)

Dances During Sunday's Events – Amateur Couple or Pro/Am

Pro-Am Juniors have the option of dancing during the adult Pro/Am sessions.

Awards Plaque available upon request \$20 per trophy

American:

Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, Viennese Waltz, Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing, Hustle, Salsa

International:

Waltz, Tango, Viennese Waltz, Foxtrot, Quickstep, Cha Cha, Samba, Rumba, Jive, Paso Doble

Junior Open International Latin Scholarship

(\$35.00 per event)

Open to Ages 10 - 15 only

1st - \$200 2nd - \$175 3rd - \$150

Rules:

In order to avoid errors, and to correspond with the computer

1. Entries must be made on New Jersey State Open entry forms
 2. Names of both partners must be listed for entry to be accepted.
 3. Juniors must dance in division entered.
 4. No changes will be made at the event.
 5. Parents will not be permitted in or around the line-up area.
 6. NDCA costuming rules are recommended
- Children are expected to be on their best behavior while attending the Competition.
They are not permitted to run around or carry on in the Ballroom or the Hotel in general.
Teachers must supervise the children at all times.
Any complaints about a child will result in the child being prohibited from dancing and evicted from the Competition area.
No refunds will be made under these circumstances.

Wholesale Price List

Deadline: May 2, 2011

If attending with a studio or your teacher, a mark up should be expected on all items to cover the loss of studio income and teaching hours along with teacher's salary, time, travel and expenses.

General Admission

Session 1	\$35
Session 2	\$20
Session 3	\$55
Session 4	\$20
Session 5	\$15
Program	\$20
Jr & collegiate (sessions 2,4)	\$10
Jr & Collegiate (session 1)	\$20
Jr. & Collegiate (session 3)	\$30

Registration Fees

Single Dances	\$30 per dance
2 Dance	\$35 per event
3 Dance	\$40 per event
Pro/Am Champ.	\$60 per event
Pro/Am Scholarship	\$75 per event
Amateur Pre-Champ	\$45 per event
Amateur Championship	\$60 per event
Amat (A) Schol. Champ.	\$60 per event*
Solos	\$60 per event
Junior & Youth Single	\$15 per dance*
Jr & Youth Pre-Champ	\$20 per event*
Jr & Youth Championship	\$30 per event*
Jr & Youth Scholarship	\$35 per event*
Professional Showcase	\$70 per dance*
Open Professional	\$90 per event*
Rising Star Professional	\$70 per event*
Awards Plaque	\$20 per trophy

Note: Registration entry fees do **NOT** include admission to the ballroom, except for those noted with *

Program Advertising

Advertisements and Congratulatory notices are black and white and placed in the program at the following rates. (All ads must be camera ready)

- Full Page \$200
- Half page \$100
- Quarter page \$75
- Eighth Page \$50

Rules and Regulations.

1. All persons attending this competition, whether as spectators, competitors or guest of officials, hereby release the Organizers, the NDCA, their officers, employees, volunteers, agents, and any other people connected with this event, from any and all liability for damage to or loss of personal property, sickness or injury from whatever source, legal entanglements, imprisonment, death or financial loss, which might occur while participating in this event. All attendees will be aware of the risks of participation, and understand that they participate at their own risk
2. No responsibility for the loss or theft of personal belongings left in the changing rooms, ballroom, practice spaces or any hotel rooms will be accepted by the Organizers, NDCA or the Hotel
3. All persons attending the competition shall be bound by the NDCA rules and attending the events are automatically obliged to adhere to them.
4. No video taping or filming will be allowed, however, a professional video company will be on hand to video your dancing
5. It is understood that anyone in the ballroom may be photographed or video taped and it may be shown elsewhere. Anyone attending this event consents to be photographed and/or video taped and waves any and all claims and rights to the use of the photos or videos.
6. All completed forms and full payment must be received by the deadline. Payments must accompany entries.
7. Entry fees must be paid before competing.
8. Entry fees do not include admission to the ballroom. Non-Package holders competing or spectating, will be required to purchase General Admission Tickets.
9. All categories and events are subject to a reasonable registration and the Organizers reserve the right to reduce by half, the advertised prize money, combine, merge or cancel any heats or events with insufficient entries.
10. All Professional and amateur couples must be registered with the NDCA. NDCA registration forms are available from <www.ndca.org> or Ms. Eleanor Wiblin, PO Box 22018, Provo, Utah 84602.
11. All cancellations must be made in writing to the organizers. Cancellations made up to 10 days prior to the event will receive a refund within 30 days after the event. A \$75 cancellation fee will be applied to all refunds. No refunds will be given within 10 days of the event. No substitutions of entries will be allowed. Absolutely no refunds will be given at the event. Refunds or exchanges cannot be made on plaques, trophies or general admission tickets.
12. The Chairman of Judges shall be responsible for decisions concerning ties or any problem arising over marks. Any questions or discrepancy of results are to be addressed immediately after the results of the event are given. The decision of the Chairman shall be final.
13. A student may enter a younger age category in addition to their normal age division, but not an older one.
14. A student may dance in three consecutive divisions; for example: Full Bronze Tango, Pre-Silver Tango and Silver one Tango, but not Full Silver Tango.
15. Teachers may not enter two students in the same category.
16. Collegiate must be under 25 years young and have a current valid ID card.
17. Costumes may be worn, but are not required in all categories. No thongs are permitted. It is recommended that children follow the NDCA costuming requirements.
18. If in the opinion of the organizers, a costume is deemed inappropriate, the competitor will have the option of changing costumes or withdrawing from the competition. No refunds will be issued in this situation. The organizers reserve the right to disqualify any competitor who fails to rectify a costuming warning.
19. The organizers reserve the right right to refuse admission to person or persons who have violated any of the above rules at any recognized NDCA event.
20. These rules and regulations may be amended at the discretion of the organizers. Any changes will be provided via the web site <www.americanstarball.com>

Directions

From New York:

Take the New Jersey Turnpike to the Garden State Parkway (Exit 11). Proceed south on the Parkway to Exit 38 (Atlantic City Expressway). Take Atlantic City Expressway (East). At the base of the Atlantic City Expressway, take Exit 2 and follow signs to Tropicana Casino and Resort, Home of The Quarter. Continue straight onto Albany Avenue. Turn left onto Atlantic Avenue. Turn right at S. Brighton Avenue. [Google Map for NJ Turnpike heading South](#) (links will open in a new window)
[Google Map for NJ Turnpike heading North](#)

From Philadelphia:

Cross the Benjamin Franklin Bridge or Walt Whitman Bridge and follow the North-South Freeway (Route 42) to the Atlantic City Expressway. Take Atlantic City Expressway (East). At the base of the Atlantic City Expressway, take Exit 2 and follow signs to Tropicana Casino and Resort, Home of The Quarter. Continue straight onto Albany Avenue. Turn left onto Atlantic Avenue. Turn right at S. Brighton Avenue.

From Baltimore/Washington DC:

Take I-95 North across the Delaware Memorial Bridge and follow Route 40 East to the Atlantic City Expressway. Take Atlantic City Expressway (East). At the base of the Atlantic City Expressway, take Exit 2 and follow signs to Tropicana Casino and Resort, Home of The Quarter. Continue straight onto Albany Avenue. Turn left onto Atlantic Avenue. Turn right at S. Brighton Avenue.

Atlantic City Connections from:

Bader Field Airport – 5 minutes
Atlantic City Airport (Pomona) – 20 minutes
Philadelphia International Airport – 1 hour
Newark Airport – 2 ½ hours
John F. Kennedy International Airport – 3 hours
Washington, D.C. Airport – 4 ½ hours

Mileage from:

Philadelphia, PA – 55 miles
New York, NY – 132 miles
Washington, D.C. – 173 miles
Boston, MA – 328 miles
Pittsburgh, PA – 354 miles

Airport Shuttles:

Royal Airport Shuttle at (609) 748-9777
Royal Coach Transportation at (609) 748-7878

By Rail:

NJ Transit Rail runs through all local stops between the Atlantic City Rail Station and Philadelphia's 30th Street Station, connecting to Amtrak's Northeast corridor line.

Contact Information:

Amtrak (800) 772-2222
Bus Marketing (800) 843-6365
Limousine Services (609) 343-2884

Discount Deadline April 25, 2011

Deadline May 2, 2011

American Star Ball Juniors International Entry Form

Phone: 609-288-6200 Web: www.americanstarball.com Email: amstarball@gmail.com

Studio: _____ Phone: ()- -

Mail to: _____
Name: _____ Cell: ()- -

Address: _____ Email: _____ Studio Individual

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Last

First

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1	Man																			
	Lady																			

Single Dances					Age Level	
C	S	R	J	P		
W	T	V	F	Q		

Pre-Champ	Age
(C/S/R/J)	<input type="text"/>
(W/T/V/F/Q)	<input type="text"/>

Open	Age
(C/S/R/P/J)	<input type="text"/>
(W/T/V/F/Q)	<input type="text"/>

Scholarship
(C/S/R/P/J)

Total Due
\$ _____

2	Man																			
	Lady																			

Single Dances					Age Level	
C	S	R	J	P		
W	T	V	F	Q		

Pre-Champ	Age
(C/S/R/J)	<input type="text"/>
(W/T/V/F/Q)	<input type="text"/>

Open	Age
(C/S/R/P/J)	<input type="text"/>
(W/T/V/F/Q)	<input type="text"/>

Scholarship
(C/S/R/P/J)

Total Due
\$ _____

3	Man																			
	Lady																			

Single Dances					Age Level	
C	S	R	J	P		
W	T	V	F	Q		

Pre-Champ	Age
(C/S/R/J)	<input type="text"/>
(W/T/V/F/Q)	<input type="text"/>

Open	Age
(C/S/R/P/J)	<input type="text"/>
(W/T/V/F/Q)	<input type="text"/>

Scholarship
(C/S/R/P/J)

Total Due
\$ _____

4	Man																			
	Lady																			

Single Dances					Age Level	
C	S	R	J	P		
W	T	V	F	Q		

Pre-Champ	Age
(C/S/R/J)	<input type="text"/>
(W/T/V/F/Q)	<input type="text"/>

Open	Age
(C/S/R/P/J)	<input type="text"/>
(W/T/V/F/Q)	<input type="text"/>

Scholarship
(C/S/R/P/J)

Total Due
\$ _____

5	Man																			
	Lady																			

Single Dances					Age Level	
C	S	R	J	P		
W	T	V	F	Q		

Pre-Champ	Age
(C/S/R/J)	<input type="text"/>
(W/T/V/F/Q)	<input type="text"/>

Open	Age
(C/S/R/P/J)	<input type="text"/>
(W/T/V/F/Q)	<input type="text"/>

Scholarship
(C/S/R/P/J)

Total Due
\$ _____

6	Man																			
	Lady																			

Single Dances					Age Level	
C	S	R	J	P		
W	T	V	F	Q		

Pre-Champ	Age
(C/S/R/J)	<input type="text"/>
(W/T/V/F/Q)	<input type="text"/>

Open	Age
(C/S/R/P/J)	<input type="text"/>
(W/T/V/F/Q)	<input type="text"/>

Scholarship
(C/S/R/P/J)

Total Due
\$ _____

Entries received without payments and signed release forms will be returned

Send Entry Forms, Release Forms, and Check or MO in US funds to:

"Americn Star Ball", 223 Club House Drive, Willingboro, NJ 08046

Grand Total This Page \$ _____

American Star Ball

General Admission Tickets Order Form

# Tickets		Total
	Adult Ticket Prices	
_____	Session 1 @ \$35.00	_____
_____	Session 2 @ \$20.00	_____
_____	Session 3 w/ Grand Banquet @ \$130.00	_____
_____	Session 3 @ 55.00	_____
_____	Session 4 @ \$20.00	_____
_____	Session 5 (juniors) @ \$15.00	_____
	Junior and Collegiate Tickets	
	<small>*Proof of Age and Student ID Required</small>	
_____	Session 1 @ \$20.00	_____
_____	Session 2 @ \$10.00	_____
_____	Session 3 @ 30.00	_____
_____	Session 4 & 5 @ 10.00	_____

Grand Total Ticket Purchases _____

General Admission Tickets are Non-Refundable

Name to Hold Tickets Under (please print) _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Reserved Seating for Saturday Night provided for those purchasing Session 3 with Dinner.
Weekend Packages available. Visit the website for more details:
www.americanstarball.com

Hotel Accommodations

For those of you planning to stay at the Hotel, but not saying on package, we have reserved a block of rooms at Tropicana at the rate of \$99.00 on Friday (plus taxes and surcharges) and \$189.00 on Saturday (plus taxes and surcharges). If you are not on a package, please make your reservations directly with the Hotel at (800) 247-8767 by May 9th and tell them you are with the American Star Ball to receive the group rate. **The group rate will only be available until May 9, or until our block is sold out, whichever happens first. Late reservations may not receive the discount and you may be charged the regular hotel room rate at that time.**

Make Check or Money Order Payable to:

American Star Ball
223 Club House Dr
Willingboro, NJ 08046

Payment and signed release form must accompany order form for tickets to be reserved.

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