**Tuscaloosa Ballroom Dance Club** 

eNewsletter

October 2017



# **ALL HALLOWS' EVE BALL**

# FRIDAY, October 20, 2017

# The Grand Salon @ The North River Yacht Club (2500 Yacht Club Way; 35406)

# **Music by The Tradewinds**

7:00 - 10:00 pm

# **ADMISSION:**

Standard Members: \$8 per person

Sustaining, Bronze, Silver, Gold, & Platinum Members: Prepaid!

Students: \$5 per person

Guests: \$12 per person

Members and guests must be at least 18 years of age.

ATTIRE: Dressy, and theme attire is encouraged

# The All Hallows' Eve Ball: FRIDAY, October 20

The All Hallows' Eve Ball is the second of three dances in a row that will be held on a Friday night – Friday, October 20. And, our October ball will be held at *North River Yacht Club*! (2500 Yacht Club Way; 35406). The Tradewinds will provide the music. *Attire*: this is a dressy event, but theme attire *is* enthusiastically encouraged.

*Parking.* TBDC's ball is the only event scheduled at NRYC on the 20th, so there will be ample parking at the dance venue.

*Please do* not *bring snacks... they will be provided!* Thanks to the generosity of TBDC's sponsors and sustaining members, TBDC has asked North River Yacht Club to provide us with light snacks for our All Hallows' Eve Ball. (Reasonably, NRYC asks that we not bring snacks from the outside.)

*Cash bar.* North River Yacht Club will graciously provide a *cash* bar for our dancers! And do bring cash: the bartender will not be able to process credit or debit cards.

*Dance exhibition: Steve & Jane Richardson.* To celebrate this special evening, Steve and Jane Richardson will offer Waltz and Tango exhibitions during our first break. Steve and Jane recently competed in the Carolina Fall Classic in the Novice and Pre-Championship divisions; they returned home with a Bronze Medal for both their smooth and rhythm dances. In addition to their busy ballroom schedule, they are involved grandparents who enjoy their seven grandchildren. Steve *is* the "Steve" with Steve Richardson & Company CPAs – one of TBDC's Ruby Sponsors.

*The Tradewinds.* The Tradewinds will provide music for the All Hallows' Eve Ball. Members of the band include Carol Downey (keyboard, vocals), John Taylor (trumpet, flugelhorn, French horn, vocals), Dwight Taylor (sax, vocals), and Robert Brantley (guitar, vocals). Various members of this ensemble have traveled with The Temptations, The Four Tops, Aretha Franklin, Mary Wilson (of The Supremes), Gladys Knight and the Pips, and Neil Diamond.

#### **Fresh off the Farm Dance**

Fifty-one dancers enjoyed TBDC's Fresh Off the Farm Dance held on Friday, September 15. Ken and Janet Rainey provided the delightful farm decorations, which included a fresh produce stand for photos, corn stalks guarded by scarecrows, and, on each table, a miniature farm scene with a tiny hay bale. DJ Jimmy provided the music and, appropriately, led the dancers through The Barn Dance during the first break. TBDC extends thanks to Kathy Cotton and Nita Hestevold for tending to the admissions table and to Butch and Regina Noland for preparing the dance space.

Date	Theme	Venue	Music	
Fri, OCT 20	All Hallows' Eve Ball	NRYC	TR	
Fri, NOV 17	A Salute to Veterans (dance)	TUMC	DJJK	
Sat, DEC 9	Sleigh Ride Ball	TUMC	TR	
All dances will be 7 – 10 pm				

#### **TBDC's 2017 Dance Schedule**

Venue: TUMC=Taylorville United Methodist Church; NRYC=North River Yacht Club

*Music:* TR = The Tradewinds; DJJK = DJ Jimmy Kunz

*Attire:* "Ball" designates a dressy event [semi-formal wear or formalwear may be invited], and "Dance" designates a dressy-casual or theme event.

#### **Birmingham Dance Marathon: October 27-29**

The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Birmingham Dance Marathon will be held Friday through Sunday, October 27-29, at The Exceptional Foundation (1616 Oxmoor Rd, Homewood, AL). The Marathon begins Friday evening with a dressy-casual dance, featuring music by The Classics. On Saturday, between 9 am and 4 pm, participants may choose up to six (of eighteen) group classes offered at the beginning, intermediate, and advanced levels. (Lunch will be provided at noon.) Saturday evening, there will be a semi-formal masquerade ball with music by The Tradewinds. Sunday will be a Fun-Day. Beginning at 1:30 pm, dancers may choose one of three one-hour technique classes; there will be a two-hour dance with recorded music that will include general dancing, mixers, and a Jack & Jill competition.

The Marathon is an annual fundraiser for The Exceptional Foundation, an organization that serves mentally and physically challenged individuals in the Greater Birmingham area by targeting social and recreational needs that are not otherwise met by educational institutions. The organizers and dance instructors all donate their time to this event. *Admission:* For the entire Marathon, \$129 for adults and \$95 for students. For information on day passes, the group-class schedule, or online registration, visit the Marathon's website:

#### www.dancemarathon-birmingham.com

For additional information, contact the Marathon's event coordinator, Wendy Johnson: curtnwendy@hotmail.com.

### PARA's Dances; Northport Community Center: Every Thursday

PARA continues to sponsor dances every Thursday, 6:30-9:30 PM, at the Northport Community Center (2100 Park Street; 35476). Bob Sullivan and the Country Gold Band will provide the music. *Attire*: casual. *Admission:* \$5/person. *For further information*: contact Carole Taylor, 562-3235; or <u>ctaylor@tcpara.org</u>

### PARA's West Alabama Dances; Northport Community Center: Every Friday

PARA continues to sponsor the West Alabama Dances every Friday, 6:45-9:45 PM, at the Northport Community Center (2100 Park Street; 35476). Music is provided by The Over the Hill Band. *Attire*: casual. *Admission:* \$5/person. *For further information*: contact Carole Taylor, 562-3235; or <u>ctaylor@tcpara.org</u>

# TBDC Board Meeting: Monday, October 30, 2017; 7 PM

The next TBDC board meeting will be Monday, October 30 at 7 PM in the Rotary Room of the Tuscaloosa Public Library.

# **TBDC's 2018 Dance Schedule**

For those planning their 2018 dance schedule, the dates for next year's dances appear below. All 2018 TBDC monthly events will be held at McAbee Center, 7-10 pm.; themes will be announced later.

Date	Music	
Sat, JAN 20	EJO	
	(The expanded orchestra!)	
Sat, FEB 17	TR	
Sat, MAR 24	DJRR	
	(w/group class @ 7 pm)	
Sat, APR 21	СН	
Sat, MAY 19	DJJK	
Sat, JUN 16	AM	
Sat, JUL 21	DJJK	
Sat, AUG 18	СН	
Fri, SEP 21	DJJK	
Fri, OCT 19	TR	
Fri, NOV 16	DJRR	
	(w/group class @ 7 pm)	
Sat, DEC 8	DJJK	

*Music:* AM = Ain't Misbehavin'; CH = The Chekmates; EJO = The Edd Jones Orchestra; TR = The Tradewinds; DJJK = DJ Jimmy Kunz; DJRR = DJ Richard Richards

### In Case of Severe Weather...

When a severe-weather alert has been issued for the evening of a TBDC event [lessons or a dance], TBDC will make a late-afternoon decision to proceed with the event or to cancel it. TBDC will then notify friends & members by 4:30 PM: TBDC will send the decision by email and will post the decision on its Facebook page.

# **TBDC Directory**

To request an electronic copy of TBDC's photo directory, please send email to <u>Tuscaloosa.Ballroom.Dance.Club@gmail.com</u> and type "Send directory" in the subject line. Send email to the same address if you would like to be added to or deleted from the directory.

## **TBDC:** Facebook, Website, and Email

- TBDC's email address: <u>Tuscaloosa.Ballroom.Dance.Club@gmail.com</u>
- Facebook: click "Like"! For announcements, last-minute information, photos, and videos, go to TBDC's official Facebook page [Tuscaloosa Ballroom Dance Club Community Organization]. In the top box, click "Like": https://www.facebook.com/tuscaloosaballroomdanceclub?fref=ts

*NOTE:* To be notified via Facebook when information and photos are posted, go to the TBDC Facebook page and click on "Following" down-arrow. In the drop-down window under Notifications, click "On (Events)."

• *TBDC's website*: <u>www.tbdc.org</u> [webmaster: Lewis Cotton]

# **TBDC's 2017-2018 Sponsors**

#### **Ruby Sponsors**

Lester's Electrical Service (Lester Leonard), 205-752-2583 Steve Richardson & Company CPAs

#### Emerald Sponsors

Barkley Buick GMC Cadillac: <u>http://www.barkleygmc.com</u>

#### Sapphire Sponsors

A-1 Mini-Storage (Don Wright), 9331 Hwy 69; Northport, AL; 35473; 205-292-2182

# **TBDC's 2017-2018 Supporting Members**

Sustaining Student Members

Sustaining Members: Nina & Bob Barnes; Regina & Butch Noland; Bonnie & Scott Porter; Richard Richards & Rita Snyder; Anonymous (2)

Bronze Members: Kathy & Lewis Cotton; Anonymous (4)

Silver Members: Scott & Nita Hestevold

Gold Members: Ken Lee

Platinum Members:

If you are a supporting member of TBDC and your name does not appear above, please send a note to Tuscaloosa.Ballroom.Dance.Club@gmail.com if you would like your name included in the next newsletter.

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