



Tuscaloosa Ballroom Dance Club

eNewsletter April 2024

Flying High Dance

at McAbee Center

(3801 Loop Road; 35404)

Saturday, April 20, 2024

Music: *Ain't Misbehavin'*

7 - 10 pm

ADMISSION (cash or check):

Members: \$8

Non-members: \$15 (\$25/couple)

Students: \$8

Sustaining, Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Platinum Members: *Prepaid!*

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

ATTIRE: Dressy Casual

Co-sponsored by PARA4Life @ McAbee Center

Flying High Dance: Saturday, April 20, 2024

Come join us for an enchanted evening at the Flying High Dance! The next TBDC and PARA4Life dance will be held on April 20, 2024, from 7:00 to 10:00 at the McAbee Center which is located at 3801 Loop Rd near the VA Hospital. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Beautiful music will be provided by Ain't Misbehavin'. Put your best foot forward and come out for this special evening.

Attire: Dressy casual.

Admission (cash or check): \$8/TBDC member, \$15/non-member, \$25/non-member couples, \$8/student. TBDC's sustaining members are prepaid!

Snacks. Water is provided. TBDC invites our regular dancers to bring an item for the snack table.

McAbee Center (3801 Loop Road; Tuscaloosa, 35404): The entrance to McAbee Center's parking lot is at the intersection of Loop Road and Veterans Memorial Parkway. (The VA Hospital is located behind and to the right of McAbee Center.) There is no access to McAbee Center's parking lot from the hospital campus, so please avoid the hospital's main entrance. For a map, click here: [Map](#).

From Birmingham, take interstate Exit 79 for University Blvd. At the end of the exit ramp, bear right onto University Blvd. After 4.6 miles, turn left at the traffic light onto Veterans Memorial Pkwy. In ½ mile, turn left onto Loop Rd and immediately turn left again to access McAbee Center's parking lot.

March's Roll of the Dice Dance

Festive Las Vegas style decorations were on display for last month's Roll of the Dice Dance. Thanks are in order to Diana Secor and her helpers, Nita and Scott Hestevold. Harmonious music was provided by the Chekmates. Several of the TBDC members showed up in perfect Las Vegas attire. The costumes of Ken Lee, Carol Russell, and Nita Hestevold added to the fun. Bonnie Porter was in attendance and contributed a door prize from Barkley Buick GMC Cadillac, our Emerald sponsor.

Special thanks must be given each month to those who make our events possible: to Lewis Cotton for the important job of managing our publicity, to Kathy Cotton and Regina Noland for tending the admissions table, and to Kim Brown and PARA4Life for handling the venue. And we always appreciate those of you who contribute tasty treats for our snack table.

PARA's Thursday and Friday Dances at the McAbee Center

For two more weeks, PARA will continue to sponsor dances on Thursdays and Fridays, 6:30-9:30 PM at McAbee Center (3801 Loop Rd; 35405). The Country Gold Band plays on Thursdays, and the Over the Hill Band plays on Fridays. **Attire:** casual. **Admission:** \$7/person. **Information:** Carole Taylor, 205-562-3235; or ctaylor@tcpara.org.

Big Band Swing Dance: TBDC charter member, John Gillum, sent Scott Hestevold the following about the Big Band Swing Dinner Dance in Aliceville:

The Third Annual Aliceville Prisoner of War Camp Reenactment USO Big Band Swing Dinner Dance will be from 6:00pm until 10:00pm on Saturday, May 4, 2024, in the Aliceville City Hall Auditorium - 419 Memorial Parkway, Aliceville, AL 35442. The Drew White Orchestra will play big-band music for listening and dancing. There will be a large dance floor for dancers to enjoy! To add to the 1940s ambiance, period style attire and military uniforms are invited, but not required.

Dinner will be catered by the Dazzle Me Trio. The menu includes Meat: Smoked, bacon wrapped pork tenderloin or smoked, boneless, skinless chicken breast; Vegetables: Bacon Ranch Cheesy Potatoes, Green Beans Unbundled, Squash Casserole; Dinner Rolls; Dessert: Banana Pudding, Chocolate Delight; Beverages: choice of wine, beer, soft-drinks, water. Make your selections as you pass through the serving line at the event.

Tickets to the Dinner Dance are \$30 each and may be obtained either online at alicevillemuseum.org (reenactment tab), by visiting or calling (205-373-2363) the Aliceville Museum (104 Broad Street, NE) during regular business hours.

The event is being held in conjunction with the Aliceville POW Camp Reenactment and Aliceville Area Chamber of Commerce Dogwood Festival. For additional information, visit the Aliceville Museum website: alicevillemuseum.org (reenactment tab).

Looking ahead: La Vie En Rose Dance on Saturday, May 18, 2024

DJ Richard Richards will provide lovely music for the occasion. Plan to join us.

TBDC's 2024 Sponsors

Ruby Sponsors (\$100-299)

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SWEN Chinese Restaurant: 1130 University Boulevard, Suite B2, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401
(205)391-9887 and 3420 Hwy 69 N, Northport, AL 35473 (205) 333-8886
Facebook: [Swen Chinese Restaurant](#)

Diamond Sponsors (\$1,000 or more)

Garry Pearson, Inc., Environmental Consulting

TBDC's 2024 Sustaining Members

Sustaining Members: Pat Atkins; Carolyn and Gary Bishop; Bruce Evans; Butch and Regina Noland; Bonnie and Scott Porter; Diana Secor; and Janet and John Weber.

Bronze Members: Kathy and Lewis Cotton; Carolyn and Jim Hill; and Carol and Tom Russell

Silver Members: Nita and Scott Hestevold

Gold Members:

Platinum Members:

TBDC's 2024 Dance Schedule

All 2024 TBDC dances and balls will be @ McAbee Center, 7-10 pm		
Date	Music	Theme
Sat, JAN 20	5K	The Starlight Ball
Sat, FEB 17	DW	Mardi Gras Dance
Sat, MAR 23	CH	The Roll of the Dice Dance
Sat, APR 20	AM	Flying High Dance
Sat, MAY 18	DJRR	La Vie En Rose Dance
Sat, JUN 15	5K	Amethyst Anniversary Ball
Sat, JUL 20	CH	Ballroom in the Country
Sat, AUG 17	AM	Under the Sea Dance
Fri, SEP 20	5K	Tailgate Dance
Fri, OCT 10	DW	Dance TBD
Fri, NOV 15	CH	Prom Night Ball
Sat, DEC 14	DJRR	Poinsettia Dance

Music: 5K = 5 of a Kind; AM = Ain't Misbehavin'; CH = The Chekmates;
DW = Drew White Orchestra; DJRR = DJ Richard Richards

Attire: "Ball" designates a dressy event (with semi-formalwear or formalwear invited), and "Dance" designates a dressy-casual or theme event.

In Case of Severe Weather...

When a severe-weather alert has been issued for the evening of any TBDC event, TBDC will decide by 4 pm whether to proceed with or cancel the event. By 4:30 pm, TBDC will notify friends and members by email and with a post on its Facebook page. *Note:* As a rule, TBDC cancels events only when tornadic or winter weather poses a serious safety concern; a mere rainstorm does not stop the sun from shining on the dancefloor!

Monthly Listings...TBDC: Facebook, Website, and Email

- ***TBDC's email address:*** TBDC.91@gmail.com
- ***Facebook: click "Like"!*** For announcements, last-minute information, and photos, visit TBDC's Facebook page [Tuscaloosa Ballroom Dance Club – Community Organization]. In the top box, click "Like": [TBDC Facebook](#) ***NOTE:*** To be notified via Facebook when information and photos are posted, visit the TBDC Facebook page and click on "Following" down-arrow. In the drop-down window under Notifications, click "On (Events)."
- ***TBDC's website:*** www.tbdc.org [webmaster: Lewis Cotton]

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