



**Tuscaloosa Ballroom Dance Club**

**eNewsletter**

**November 2018**

# **FLY ME TO THE MOON DANCE**

***Friday, November 16, 2018***

**PARA's McAbee Center**

**(3801 Loop Road; 35404)**

**7-7:30 PM: Waltz/Rumba Group Class**

**Taught by Richard Richards & Rita Snyder**

**7:30-10 PM: Music by DJ Richard Richards**

## **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 Casual***

## **Fly Me to the Moon Dance & Group Class: Friday, November 16**

On Friday, November 16, with autumn well underway and holidays approaching, please join your ballroom friends for the Fly Me to the Moon Dance -- a group class followed by two-and-a-half hours of ballroom dancing! The dance will be held at McAbee Center (3801 Loop Road; Tuscaloosa, 35405).

***Waltz/Rumba Group Class; 7-7:30 PM; Dancing, 7:30-10 PM.*** Next Friday, please come early to visit the admission table and change shoes for the group ballroom class that will begin promptly at 7 PM. Richard Richards and Rita Snyder will teach a dance pattern that one can use for both Waltz *and* Rumba! There will be ample opportunity to ask questions and to practice the pattern with both Waltz and Rumba music. As soon as the group class ends at 7:30 PM, Richard will switch hats, changing from instructor to DJ as he begins playing ballroom standards in the tradition of Sinatra's recording of "Fly Me to the Moon."

***During the break: International Foxtrot and Tango exhibition.*** To accommodate the group class, there will be only one break (around 8:45 PM) during the Fly Me to the Moon Dance. After a few announcements, Richard and Rita will offer exhibitions of both International Foxtrot and Tango!

***About Richard and Rita.*** Richard and Rita are experienced dance instructors: Currently, Rita is a Professor of Dance at UA, and they together teach UA's Social Dance class. In years past, Richard and Rita have together taught Argentine Tango classes and coached UA's Competition Ballroom Team. Richard and Rita are themselves serious ballroom competitors at the national level, ranking at the top of the amateur division for International Standard (Waltz, Viennese Waltz, Foxtrot, Quickstep, Tango). This past summer, they attended a ballroom dance intensive in Italy, studying with prominent European dancers and coaches. Richard and Rita continue to be Sustaining Members of TBDC, reflecting their ongoing commitment to encourage ballroom dancing locally.

***Line dancing is invited throughout the evening.*** At McAbee Center, our expanded space can accommodate line-dancers all evening long. Line-dancers should use the dance floor between the tables and snacks; and ballroom dancers should use the space between the tables and the band. This space is also large enough to accommodate couples who would like to practice a dance pattern.

***Snacks.*** PARA4Llife furnishes water and soft drinks at no charge. TBDC encourages friends and members to bring an item for our snack table.

## **October's Harvest Ball**

60 dancers enjoyed the fine dance music of The Edd Jones Stage Orchestra at the Harvest Ball on Friday, October 19. TBDC is grateful to Ken and Janet Lee for the festive orange and yellow autumnal decorations. TBDC also extends thanks to Nita Hestevold and to Janet Lee for tending to the admissions table. During the first break, Jerry & Irina Donahue offered an elegant but playful Foxtrot exhibition, dancing to "Red Roses for a Blue Lady." The exhibition was well-received, and TBDC extends heartfelt thanks to Jerry & Irina!

## TBDC's 2019 Dance Schedule

Please mark your calendar now with TBDC's 2019 dance dates. All 2019 TBDC monthly events will be held at McAbee Center, 7-10 PM.

All 2019 TBDC dances & balls will be 7-10 pm @ McAbee Center		
Date	Theme	Music
Sat, JAN 19	Ball (TBA)	EJ
Sat, FEB 16	Mardi Gras Ball	CH
Sat, MAR 23	Springtime in Paris Dance (Group class @ 7 pm)	DJRR
Sat, APR 2	Novel Night Dance	5K
Sat, MAY 18	Spring Fling Dance	DJJK
Sat, JUN 15	Anniversary Dance	CH
Sat, JUL 20	Red, White, & Blue Dance	AM
Sat, AUG 17	Back to School Dance	5K
Fri, SEP 13	Tailgate Dance	DJJK
Fri, OCT 18	Jack-O-Lantern Jubilee Dance	EJ
Fri, NOV 22	Autumn Leaves Dance (Group class @ 7 pm)	DJRR
Sat, DEC 14	Mistletoe Ball	CH

**Music:** 5K = 5 of a Kind; AM = Ain't Misbehavin'; CH = The Chekmates;

EJ = Edd Jones; DJJK = DJ Jimmy Kunz; DJRR = DJ Richard Richards

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

### Looking ahead...

- **Holly-Day Dance @ 7 PM on FRIDAY, December 8.** Beginning with the Holly-Day Dance on December 8, TBDC dances return to Saturday nights. Please join DJ Jimmy on the second Saturday of December for his festive mix of holiday dance music! This is TBDC's last 2018 ballroom event!
- **Christmas in Dixie Ballroom Competition, December 14-16 in Birmingham.** For further information on participating in or watching the Christmas in Dixie Ballroom Competition: <http://www.christmasindixiedance.com/2018/schedule-2/>
- **Directory.** Thanks to Lewis Cotton's efforts, TBDC will produce a revised **eDirectory**. Watch eNewsletters for the announcement. In the meantime, if you would like a copy of the current directory, send your request to:

[Tuscaloosa.Ballroom.Dance.Club@gmail.com](mailto:Tuscaloosa.Ballroom.Dance.Club@gmail.com)

And, send email to the same address if you would like to be added to or deleted from the directory.

## **In Case of Severe Weather...**

November and December can bring severe storms to Alabama; so the usual weather notice enjoys a more prominent spot in the eNewsletter this month. 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. *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!

## **TBDC Board Meeting: Monday, November 26, 2018; 7 PM**

The next meeting of the TBDC Board will be held at 7 pm on Monday, November 26, 2018 in the Rotary Room of the Tuscaloosa Public Library. This will likely be the last 2018 board meeting.

## ***MONTHLY LISTINGS...***

### **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 [ctaylor@tctpara.org](mailto:ctaylor@tctpara.org).

### **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 [ctaylor@tctpara.org](mailto:ctaylor@tctpara.org).

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

- *TBDC's email address:* [Tuscaloosa.Ballroom.Dance.Club@gmail.com](mailto:Tuscaloosa.Ballroom.Dance.Club@gmail.com)
- *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:* [www.tbdc.org](http://www.tbdc.org) [webmaster: Lewis Cotton]

## TBDC's 2018-2019 Sponsors

### Ruby Sponsors

Steve Richardson & Company CPAs

### Emerald Sponsors

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

### Sapphire Sponsors

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

## TBDC's 2018-2019 Supporting Members

*Sustaining Student Members:*

*Sustaining Members:* Bob & Nina Barnes; Butch & Regina Noland; Scott & Bonnie Porter;  
Richard Richards & Rita Snyder; Diana Secor

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

*Silver Members:* Scott & Nita Hestevold; Garry Pearson

*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](mailto:Tuscaloosa.Ballroom.Dance.Club@gmail.com) if you would like your name included in the next newsletter.

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