Tuscaloosa Ballroom Dance Club

eNewsletter

January 2017



Saturday, January 21, 2017

7:00 - 10:00 pm

Taylorville United Methodist Church

(640 Bear Creek Road; 35405)

Music by DJ Jimmy

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: casual; theme attire strongly encouraged!



The Classic TV Dance: Saturday, January 21

To continue ringing in the New Year, join your TBDC friends for the first dance of 2017 on January 21, 7-10 pm. DJ Jimmy Kunz has assembled a delightful mix of dance music that will feature themes from classic television shows. Though this will be a casual event, you are encouraged to attend the dance dressed as a favorite TV character. Contributions to the snack table are invited!

TV Trivia. During a break, TBDC vice-president Ken Lee will serve as MC for a classic TV trivia contest.

December's Holiday Ball

On December 10, fifty-two dancers attended our Holiday Ball and enjoyed a festive mix of dance music provided by The Tradewinds. Yes, there was even a Christmas tango! Paul & Danielle You offered dancers abundant holiday decorations, which included a Christmas tree surrounded by wrapped packages! Thank you, Paul & Danielle! TBDC is also grateful to Kathy Cotton and Nita Hestevold for managing the admissions table.

Door Prizes! During the second break, four door prizes were awarded:

- TBDC extends thanks to Kathy Cotton for donating a holiday door prize.
- Our retired door-prize captain, Ginny Perry, came out of retirement long enough to secure a gift certificate and grilling spices from Texas Road House. Thank you, Ginny; and thanks to Texas Roadhouse!
- Barkley Buick GMC Cadillac donated a ceramic house decorated for the holidays. TBDC extends thanks to Bonnie Porter for working closely with our 2016-17 Emerald Sponsor, Barkley Buick GMC Cadillac.
- Murphy's Tree Farm donated a fresh holiday wreath. Hearty thanks to Pat Atkins and Wayne Murphy!

Introductory Ballroom Dance Lessons, second lesson: 6:30 pm, January 17

TBDC's twelve-week introductory ballroom dance course began last Tuesday, but it is not too late to join! Introductory lessons begin at 6:30 PM on the next eleven Tuesday evenings in the gym at Taylorville United Methodist Church. The professional instructor is Victoria DaCosta (Let's Dance in Northport), and the fee is \$25 for students, \$40 for TBDC members, and \$60 for non-members. *For information:* contact Regina Noland (reginatbdc@aol.com or 758-4567).

Intermediate Ballroom Dance Lessons, second lesson: 7:30 pm, January 17

The intermediate lessons for *couples* began last Tuesday. The fee remains \$120/couple. These classes are for those who have completed TBDC's introductory series (or the equivalent). *For information*: Regina Noland, <u>ReginaTBDC@aol.com</u>

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, using email and a posting on TBDC's Facebook page.

Looking ahead to February and March...

TBDC will be hosting special events in February and March. Details will follow in the next two newsletters, but please make a couple of notations on your calendar:

- *TBDC returns to North River Yacht Club in February!* NRYC has graciously invited TBDC to return to their dance floor in 2017. Join your dance friends for the Hearts and Roses Ball at NRYC on February 25.
- Arrive at 6:45 pm for the March "Pittsburgh" event! Inspired by the monthly schedule of a Pittsburgh ballroom club, TBDC will sponsor a group class followed by two hours of dance music. Richard Richards and Rita Snyder, will teach a group class 7-8 pm. Richard will then serve as DJ for the next two hours. Arrive by 6:45 pm to allow time to visit the admission table and change shoes; the lesson will begin promptly at 7 pm. Richard and Rita are national amateur ballroom champions, and they coach The University of Alabama Collegiate Ballroom Team.

Date	Theme	Venue	Music
Sat, JAN 21	The Classic TV Dance	TUMC	DJJK
Sat, FEB 25	The Hearts and Roses Ball	NRYC	TR
Sat, MAR 25	Film Noir Dance	TUMC	DJRR
Sat, APR 22	The Spring Fever Dance	TUMC	EJ
Sat, MAY 20	The Picnic Dance	TUMC	DJJK
Sat, JUN 17	The Run for the Roses Ball	TUMC	TR
Sat, JUL 15	Country Classics (dance)	TUMC	DJJK
Sat, AUG 19	Kickoff Dance	TUMC	AM
Fri, SEP 15	Fresh off the Farm (dance)	TUMC	DJJK
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: AM = Ain't Misbehavin'; EJ = Edd Jones; TR = The Tradewinds; 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.

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@tcpara.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 <u>ctaylor@tcpara.org</u>

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

TBDC Board Meeting: Monday, January 30, 2017; 7 PM

The next TBDC Board Meeting will be Monday, January 30 at 7 PM in the Rotary Room of the Tuscaloosa Public Library.

Miscellaneous updates...

- *The Christmas Parade*. Inclement weather forced the postponement of Tuscaloosa's 41st Annual Christmas Parade. Unfortunately, most volunteers were unavailable for the rain date, so TBDC did not have an entry in the 2016 parade. The Board is optimistic that we will invite you to join us for a waltz down University Boulevard next December!
- *Crimson Tide Ballroom Dancers*. CTBD will host their first 2017 event in February and will post their spring schedule on the CTBD website later this month.

TBDC Directory

To request an electronic copy of TBDC's photo directory, 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's 2016-2017 Sponsors

<u>Ruby Sponsors</u> Steve Richardson & Company CPAs <u>Emerald Sponsors</u> Barkley Buick GMC Cadillac: <u>http://www.barkleygmc.com</u> <u>Sapphire Sponsors</u> Let's Dance (Victoria DaCosta): <u>https://www.facebook.com/Lets-Dance-309427795794/?fref=ts</u>

When shopping for goods or services, please keep our sponsors in mind.

Supporting Members of TBDC (2016-2017)

Sustaining Student Members: Maria Gerasikova

Sustaining Members: Andy & Regina Harrell; Butch & Regina Noland; Jennifer Pederson; Scott & Bonnie Porter; Richard Richards & Rita Snyder; Anonymous (2)

Bronze Members: Lewis & Kathy Cotton; Anonymous (2)

Silver Members: Scott & Nita Hestevold; Jim & Sandra Hulsey; 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.

-- Scott Hestevold <u>Tuscaloosa.Ballroom.Dance.Club@gmail.com</u>