



Tuscaloosa Ballroom Dance Club

eNewsletter October 2021

Make It Magical Ball

Friday, October 15, 2021

McAbee Center

(3801 Loop Road; 35404)

Music: Drew White Orchestra, 7:00 - 10:00 pm

ADMISSION:

Members: \$8

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

Non-members: \$15; \$25/couple

Students: \$5

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

ATTIRE: Dressy!

Make It Magical Ball: Friday, October 15; The Drew White Orchestra

TBDC and PARA4Life will co-host the Make It Magical Ball on Friday, October 15 at McAbee Center (3801 Loop Road; 35404). The Drew White Orchestra will provide the music. Based in the Shoals, this orchestra is the successor to The Edd Jones Orchestra; so if you enjoyed Edd's elegant dance music, you will enjoy Drew's mix of ballroom standards and contemporary dance tunes. There is an unconfirmed rumor that there may be a trick or two to make the ball magical.

Attire: Dressy! This dance is semi-formal with formalwear invited. For men, this means a dark suit and tie (or tuxedo, if so inclined); women should opt for a nice dress or cocktail dress (or gown), a dressy pantsuit, or dressy jumpsuit.

Admission: \$8/member, \$15/non-member, \$25/non-member couple, \$5/student. TBDC's sustaining members are prepaid!

Snacks. TBDC encourages friends and members to bring an item for our snack table! Water will be provided.

Masks are strongly recommended for all! At the time of this eNewsletter's distribution, Tuscaloosa and Jefferson Counties remain at "extremely high COVID-19 risk." UA has again extended its indoor mask requirement through late October. To protect one another *and* our overburdened hospital and healthcare workers, TBDC *strongly recommends* that *all* dancers wear masks. (*Note:* TBDC will comply with the CDC's recommendations and McAbee Center's requirements the night of the dance.)

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.

The September Sock Hop

DJ Jimmy provided an appropriate mix of lively dance music for 54 dancers at the September 10th Sock Hop sponsored by TBDC and PARA4Life. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed two exhibitions by members of UA's Competition Ballroom Dance Team. At first break, Lauryn Smith and team president Louis LeBoeuf offered a lovely tango exhibition; and during second break, Lauryn and David Crump danced a lively swing. Lauryn is a double-major in UA's Marketing and Management programs, Louis is an engineering student, and David is UA graduate and former team member who now serves as an assistant coach for the competition team.

For the delightful soda-shop/bubblegum decorations, TBDC extends thanks to Patricia Box and to her assistants, Carolyn & Jim Hill and Nita Hestevold. TBDC is grateful to Lewis Cotton for overseeing publicity and to Kathy Cotton and Carol & Tom Russell for taking turns at the admissions table. For providing a door prize, TBDC thanks our loyal corporate sponsor, Barkley Buick Cadillac GMC. (Thank you, Bonnie Porter, for serving as TBDC's liaison with Barkley.) And thanks to those who contributed to the snack table!

TBDC's introductory dance lessons are underway – ‘not too late to join!’

TBDC's introductory dance classes began on September 7. Victoria DaCosta (Let's Dance) taught basic steps for Waltz and Hustle in the first four classes; last Tuesday, she introduced Foxtrot and Single-Step Swing. It is not too late to join: The class on October 12 will begin with a review; and the four classes on Rumba and Cha Cha will begin November 2. Classes are 6:30-7:30 PM on Tuesdays at McAbee Center (3801 Loop Road; Tuscaloosa, 35404). For additional information contact Regina Noland, regina001@aol.com.

TONIGHT, Friday, October 8! Crimson Tide Ballroom Dancers: 6:30-9:30 pm

If you are reading this on Friday afternoon, October 8, there is a dance tonight! Crimson Tide Ballroom Dancers will host a DJ dance 6:30-9:30 pm, Friday, October 8 in UA's Ferguson Center ballroom (751 Campus Drive). *Music:* DJ Jimmy Kunz. *Admission:* \$5/student; \$10/general admission. *For further information:* contact info@CTBD.org. CTBD will host another dance in the Ferguson Center ballroom on November 19; and CTBD will host a holiday dance on December 3 in the Alabama Museum of Natural History (Smith Hall; 427 6th Ave).

TBDC's 2022 Dance Schedule

All 2022 TBDC dances and balls will be held 7-10 pm at McAbee Center. TBDC's dance dates for 2022: Jan 15 (Sat), Feb 19 (Sat), Mar 26 (Sat), Apr 23 (Sat), May 21 (Sat), Jun 18 (Sat), Jul 16 (Sat), Aug 20 (Sat), Sep 23 (Fri), Oct 14 (Fri), Nov 4 (Fri), Dec 10 (Sat).

TBDC's 2021 Dance Schedule

Date	Music	Theme	Venue
Fri, OCT 15	DW	Make it Magical Ball	McAbee Center
Fri, NOV 12	5K	Autumn in New York Dance	McAbee Center
Sat, DEC 11	CH	Nutcracker Dance	McAbee Center

Music: 5K = 5 of a Kind; AM = Ain't Misbehavin'; CH = The Chekmates;
DW = Drew White Orchestra; DJJK = DJ Jimmy Kunz; 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.

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]

World Games in Birmingham: Ballroom Dancing, July 8-9; tickets are on sale!

Birmingham will host The World Games in July 2022, and tickets for the ballroom dancing competition are already on sale! The International Latin competition is scheduled 6-10 pm on Friday, July 8; and the competition for International Standard (Foxtrot, Quickstep, Foxtrot, Waltz, Viennese Waltz) will be held 5:10-10:10 pm on Saturday, July 9. To purchase tickets, follow this link: [2022 World Games Ballroom](#). Click on 'DanceSport'; and then click on 'DanceSport' in the drop-down window.

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TBDC's 2021 Supporting Members

Sustaining Members: Butch & Regina Noland; Bonnie & Scott Porter; Diana Secor; Anonymous

Bronze Members: Kathy & Lewis Cotton; Carol & Tom Russell

Silver Members: Nita & Scott Hestevold

Gold Members: Garry Pearson

Platinum Members:

Scott Hestevold

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