



Tuscaloosa Ballroom Dance Club

eNewsletter June 2025

Blue Hawaií Dance

at McAbee Center

(3801 Loop Road; 35404)

Saturday, June 21, 2025

Music: *5 of a Kind*

7 - 10 pm

ADMISSION (cash, check, or venmo)

Members: \$8

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

Students: \$8

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

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

Attire: Tropical Casual

Co-sponsored by PARA4Life @ McAbee Center

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Aloha! TBDC and PARA4Life are pleased to invite you to our Blue Hawaii Dance. Plan to take a tropical vacation right here in Tuscaloosa at the McAbee Center! We guarantee that you will feel the magic of the islands. Wear your Hawaiian attire as you sway to the lovely music of 5 of a Kind. And be on the lookout . . . there may just be a celebrity appearance! Don't miss it!

Our June dance also includes the celebration of TBDC's 34th Anniversary. Come help us celebrate! There will be cake!

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Dancing begins at 7:00 p.m. and ends at 10:00 p.m.

Attire: Tropical Casual

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

Bring a wrap: Most dance clubs keep their dance spaces a few degrees cooler than normal for the comfort and well-being of their active dancers. So, if you are cold-natured or tend not to dance as much as others, please bring a wrap to all TBDC dances.

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.

Birds of a Feather Dance

Incredible is the word to describe the theme and decorations for the Birds of a Feather Dance. Each table was adorned with a unique birdhouse designed and hand made by Ken Lee. Every birdhouse was imaginative and special in its own way. . . Snoopy's doghouse, Mickey Mouse, a Ladybug, and a windmill to name just a few. Two lucky guests won a chance to take one home and had a difficult time choosing their favorite! Birds were also well represented. Ken's daughter, Christine, created a beautiful hand painted backdrop featuring birds of all types. She also decorated colorful bookmarks for each guest to take home.

In addition, the guests were treated to the inimitable sounds supplied by DJ Richard Richards . . . a great mix of music to bring everyone to the dance floor. It was a wonderful evening.

Thanks are again extended to these special people:

Lewis Cotton - talented publicist and special photographer,

Kathy Cotton - diligent attendance table manager, and

Kim Brown - always helpful venue manager.

In addition to the birdhouses, two other door prizes were given away - a lovely tray donated by Barkley Buick GMC Cadillac, and a dining gift certificate donated by City Cafe. Thank you for your generosity. Last, but not least, thanks to all who bring delicious treats for our snack table.

Looking ahead: Picnic Dance on Saturday, July 19, 2025

It's summertime, summertime, sum, sum, summertime! And what do we do in the summer? We have picnics! TBDC invites you to a summertime picnic dance with all the trimmings. Kick back and enjoy yourself as we dance to the sounds of the great Drew White Orchestra. It will be a night of fun.

Thursday and Friday Dances at the Northport Community Center

Dance! Dance! Dance! holds dances every Thursday and Friday from 6:30 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. The Country Gold Band plays on Thursdays and the Over the Hill Band plays on Fridays. *Attire*: casual. *Admission*: \$7/person.

TBDC's 2025 Sponsors

Ruby Sponsors (\$100-299)

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Barkley Buick GMC Cadillac: 3575 Skyland Boulevard East, Tuscaloosa, AL 35405
<http://www.barkleygmc.com>

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(205) 330-9098

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](#).

TBDC's 2025 Sustaining Members

Sustaining Members: Pat Atkins; Carolyn and Gary Bishop; Bruce Evans; Bryan Fair; Bonnie and Scott Porter; Diana Secor; Janet and John Weber; and Dr. Albert and Anna White.

Bronze Members: Kathy and Lewis Cotton; Carolyn and Jim Hill; Garry Pearson and Angie Summerlin; and Carol and Tom Russell.

Silver Members: Nita and Scott Hestevold.

Gold Members: Regina and Butch Noland.

Platinum Members: Melody and Wayne Roberts.

TBDC's 2025 Dance Schedule

	Band/CD	Theme	Decorators
Jan 18 (Sat)	5 of a Kind	January Frost Dance	Diana Secor
Feb 15 (Sat)	Drew White	Love in Bloom Ball	Carol and Tom Russell
Mar 22 (Sat)	5 of a Kind	Sock Hop	Regina and Butch Noland
Apr 26 (Sat)	Ain't Misbehavin'	Arbor Day Dance	Nita and Scott Hestevold
May 17 (Sat)	DJRR	Birds of a Feather Dance	Ken Lee
Jun 21 (Sat)	5 of a Kind	Blue Hawaii Dance	Janet and John Weber
Jul 19 (Sat)	Drew White	Picnic Dance	Bruce Evans
Aug 16 (Sat)	5 of a Kind	Denim and Diamonds Dance	Trisha Schuster
Sep 19 (Fri)	DJRR	National Dance Day Dance	Nita and Scott Hestevold
Oct 17 (Fri) Bobby Miller Center	Drew White	Autumn Leaves Dance	Regina and Butch Noland
Nov 21 (Fri) Bobby Miller Center	5 of a Kind	Stardust Dance	Janet and John Weber
Dec 13 (Sat)	Drew White	Nutcracker Ball	Kathy and Lewis Cotton

Attire: "Ball" designates a dressy event (with semi-formal wear or formal wear 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 p.m. whether to proceed with or cancel the event. By 4:30 p.m., 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 dance floor!

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

- ***TBDC's email address:*** TBDC.91@gmail.com
- ***Facebook:*** For announcements, last-minute information, and photos, visit TBDC's Facebook page [Tuscaloosa Ballroom Dance Club – Community Organization]. In the top box, click “Like” to be notified by Facebook when information and photos are posted.
- ***TBDC's website:*** www.tbdc.org [webmaster: Lewis Cotton]
- ***Instagram:*** tusc_ballroom_dance_club
- ***Tuscaloosa Patch:*** Look for our announcements.

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