



Magnolia Ballroom Dancers' Association

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"A Non-Profit Social Dance Club"

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Welcome New Members . . .

Donald Chivas
Trish Drake
Ernest Gibson
Darron McGuffee

Bob Pillow
John Reeves
Vickie Smith

Jim Vines
Beverly Watkins
Paul Wimberly
Al Wylie

♠ ♠ ♠ *January Dance* ♠ ♠ ♠

Saturday, January 13 • 8-11 P.M.

Forestry Auditorium* at the Ag and Forestry Museum

Dance Exhibitions
Saturday Night Ballroom
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

"Elegantly Casual" • \$10 Member • \$15 Guest

"BYOB" • Price of Admission Includes Setups

Upcoming Dances

February 10 • March 17 • April 14
Forestry Auditorium at the Ag and Forestry Museum

* **PARKING:** Our contract with The Ag and Forestry Museum requires that **parking for the Forestry Auditorium is in the Smith Wills parking lot.** After turning into the Smith Wills parking lot, park to the left in front of the Ag & Forestry Café and walk up the boardwalk to the first building. Do not park in the area immediately in front of the Crawfish Shack. **The doors on the west side of the Forestry Auditorium will be locked!**



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December Recap . . . Magnolia Ballroom closed out 2006 with a bang! We had great attendance at our Christmas dance and at the free rumba and cha cha workshops taught by Percell St. Thomass and his partner Shellie Hubbard on December 9. Thanks to all who brought toys for the Family Support Center toy drive and snacks to share, and thanks to the Decorations Committee for the festive Christmas decorations and to Jim Frechette and Tatiana Kadylinsky who entertained us with an exciting hustle exhibition. We also had an exciting New Years Dance in the Forestry Building on December 30 with a great turnout despite the inclement weather. Dancers enjoyed the live and very danceable music of the George Winter Band, and we are very excited that **the band will be returning for our dance on February 10**. Finally, we ended 2006 with 11 new members in December thanks in large part to the free workshops. A special thanks to our Board members who worked extra volunteer time in December to make all the activities a big success.

Road Trip . . . Saturday Night Ballroom of Baton Rouge will be visiting our dance on January 13 and performing exhibitions. We are getting together a group to **attend their Mardi Gras Dance on February 3**. Mark your calendars and plan on making this road trip. We will have a sign up sheet at the dance if you are interested.

Commemorative Gift for Members . . . In celebration of Magnolia's 15th Anniversary, wine glasses with the MBDA logo are being distributed to all members as a membership benefit. If you did not get your wine glass at the New Years Dance, you can pick it up (or get a member to pick yours up) at the January Dance.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE . . . Sponsor a new member and get a Free Dance Admission!!! For the months of January through March, any member who sponsors a NEW member will receive a \$10 voucher which can be used for any Magnolia event. But that is not all! The NEW member signing up at a dance will receive a 15th Anniversary wine glass and free admission to the dance (or a \$10 voucher good towards any other Magnolia event). Only one sponsor per new member and the sponsor's name must be listed on the new member's application. Applications must be submitted by March 31, 2007. The vouchers will be distributed in April after the membership applications have been processed. There is no better time to encourage your non-member friends to join MBDA!

OTHER DANCE CLUB EVENTS

Saturday Night Ballroom in Baton Rouge will have their "*Winter Wonderland*" dance on **January 6**, at the American Legion in Baton Rouge. Exhibitions will be performed by Yvette Hadley-Ecuyer's award-winning dance team, "*Fever*". On **February 3**, they will have their "*Mardi Gras*" dance with exhibitions by Keith and Celeste Gussoni. For more information, email [snbdancer@cox.net](mailto:snb dancer@cox.net), call 225-665-5442, or check out their website at www.saturdaynightballroom.org.

Richland Community Dance Club will have a "*Fun Friday*" dance on January 12, at Richland's Community Center located off Highway 49S behind Wal-Mart. There will be a dance class at 6:30, and Roy Lunn and the Music Men will be playing for general dancing from 7:00-9:30. Refreshments will be served, and the cost is \$4 per person. For more info, call Fran Graves at 601-939-2241.