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# AUSTIN BALLROOM DANCERS

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December 2002

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## Christmas Dance

The dance on December 14 will be the last regular dance of the year 2002. It will have a Christmas theme for decorations and snacks. We look forward to seeing you there.

## New Years Eve

Update on the New Years Eve dance.

The dance will be held at Westlake Hills Presbyterian Church on Tuesday, December 31st. Dancing will be from 9:00 PM to 1:00 AM, with music provided by Paul Labuda. Keep the date open, brush off your tux, and/or check out your most elegant long dress. It should be as much fun as last year. Costs for the New Years Eve tickets are \$20.00 per person for members, and \$30.00 per person for non-members. Tickets must be purchased from any of the board members, since there will be no tickets sold at the door.



## Changes - Board of Directors

A sudden group of resignations for personal reasons has produced some turnover in the board of ABD. Resigning board members are: Acting President-John Nichols, Vice President-David Robinson, Program Director-Gerri Nichols, and Publicity-Kathy Center.

Since the resigning members spoke to the nominating committee prior to their resignation, the nominating committee had recruited volunteers for several of the openings on the board. These volunteers were presented to the remaining members of the board on November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2002. They were unanimously appointed to fill the openings.

The newly appointed board members are: President-Tom Kamrath, Program Director-Kasey Vowell, and Publicity-Katharine Kimbriel. At a special meeting of the board on November 16, the board appointed Randy Posey as Vice President.

The nominating committee is looking for volunteers for the position of Membership Chairman.

We appreciate the input by members and hope we can together accomplish our primary goal of learning and enjoying ballroom dancing.

## Web Site Changes

In the months to come, you will notice changes in our web site. First, we've decided to change hosts, because the management of our server can't seem to stay accessible. Then our Publicity Director plans to overhaul the design, add links to other venues, etc.

Your patience will be appreciated during this time. If you have suggestions, photos to contribute that can be seen at 72 dpi on a monitor, if you like to design .jpgs and animations, please call Kathi at 345-8784, or email her at [kkimbriel@austinballroomdancers.org](mailto:kkimbriel@austinballroomdancers.org)

## New Years Resolutions

As we enter into 2003, may we make two suggestions for our members? The first suggestion is, resolve right now to bring a friend to an ABD class or Saturday dance sometime soon! As a non-profit, we are not trying to make large sums of money—we're trying to provide accessible, affordable ways to learn and enjoy ballroom dancing. But we need our members to spread the word about our great, inexpensive classes and smoke-free Saturday night dances. (No, we don't have free classes before the dance—but if you compare our package prices with any dance studio in town, you'll find out why ABD is such a bargain!)

The second suggestion is, make a resolution to "sit desk" at least once this year, and/or offer to help set up or clean up for a special dance, like Valentine's Day. A volunteer organization needs its volunteers—**YOU!** Remember, sitting desk means you get to dance free that night, and you also get to greet and meet new folks and old—it's a great way to learn names and faces.

# Workshop Schedule

There are no new classes starting in December.  
Both Richard and Don will be teaching workshops.

## Richard's workshops:

7:30 PM to 9:45 PM with a short break

One workshop: \$8 member/\$10 non-member

6 workshops: \$38 member/\$48 non-member

Thursday Dec. 5	Making Stuff Up
Friday Dec. 6	Leading and Following
Thursday Dec. 12	Styling and Dropping
Friday Dec. 13	Floor Craftiness
Thursday Dec. 19	Not-so-beginner's Tango
Friday Dec. 20	Beginner's Tango

## Don's workshops:

Early (7:30 PM-8:30 PM) Late (8:45 PM-9:45 PM)

West Coast: \$12 member/\$15 non-member

Quickstep: \$20 member/\$25 non-member

Polka: \$16 member/\$20 non-member

ALL: \$36 member/\$48 non-member

Dec 3 West Coast Swing (7:30-8:30 & 8:45-9:45)

Dec 5 West Coast Swing (8:45-9:45)

Dec 5, 10, 12, 17, 19 Quickstep (7:30-8:30)

Dec 10, 12, 17, & 19 Polka (8:45-9:45)

## Board Members:

President:	Tom Kamrath	280-9882
Vice Pres:	Randy Posey	573-4928
Treasurer:	Lanette Bond	892-4076
Secretary:	Jeannene Wood	244-7348
Program Dir:	Kasey Vowell	218-8447
Publicity:	Katharine Kimbriel	345-8784
Membership:	OPEN	

## Dance DJ Schedule

Dec 7	Fred Crumley
Dec 14	Paul Labuda
Dec 21	NO DANCE
Dec 28	NO DANCE
Dec 31	Paul Labuda

DJs are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances. Call the ABD

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