



Dear Dancers---

Our February Sweetheart Ball was such fun, and it seemed as though everyone there had a great time.

Special thanks to Kelley Fletcher and her band for providing wonderful dance music. Something you may not realize is that all our bands spend countless hours working on a play list that provides a balanced selection of the various dances. They also plan songs for each waterfall dance to provide opportunities for participating ladies to make several rounds on the floor as well as incorporate music compatible with the theme for that evening. Thanks also to Israel for the beautiful Bolero step. It was such a fabulous lesson.

Though members and sponsors can join at any time, March will be the last opportunity to join and be included in the Directory. If you haven't renewed your sponsorship or membership, please be ready to do so at the March 16 dance. For more information, you can go to our website, www.Ballroomdancedallas.net, or contact a board member.

Speaking of our March dance, we are planning another great event. If you like to "paddy," Ballroom Dance Dallas is the place to be. Mark Van Sickle Music will provide our dance music, and Vince Duhon will teach a fun, energizing Mambo step.

So, be sure you have us on your calendar for March 16 because we "do like to paddy." **If you are one of the first three to read this newsletter and reply to Elaine Foster, you will receive a \$10 gift card to Starbucks. However, you must be in attendance to win.**

In closing, as the Irish would say, remember: **"Take more chances and dance more dances. If you stumble, make it part of the dance."** See you there.

Linda



Ballroom Dance Dallas

March 2024



We Like to Paddy



Saturday, March 16, 2024

Sokol Hall – 7448 Greenville Ave., Dallas, TX 75231

Doors Open at 6:30 p.m. - Dance 8 - 11 p.m.

Featuring: *Mark Van Sickle Music*

Dance Lesson: *Mambo - 7 p.m. Instructor: Vince Dubon*

Admission: Members \$15 Guests \$20 Students 16 & older \$10 (Cash or Check only)

Dance Hosts for Unescorted Ladies - Waterfall Dances

Attire: *Ladies: Dressy or After 5*

Gentlemen: Dress Shirt (Long or Short Sleeved), Dress Slacks (No jeans please)
Coat & Tie Optional

Reservations: 6 or more, contact Mary – 715-379-4683 or maryefares@yahoo.com

Get bottled water, beer, wine, popcorn & tap water at snack bar. OK TO BRING SNACKS.

NOTE: Texas Liquor Laws dictate alcoholic beverages must be purchased on site.

Next Dance: April 20, 2024



Join Ballroom Dance Dallas and enjoy the perks: \$15 entry fee, receive all emails,
plus your name will be included in the directory.

Mark Van Sickle has recorded, toured, and worked with some of the most recognized performers, musicians, and vocalists in the music industry. These include **Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award**-winning artist, vocalist and producer **Ray Charles**, **Oscar**-nominated orchestrator, Motown arranger and producer **Gil Askey** (known as “one of the architects of the legendary Motown sound” – Berry Gordy often called Askey “The glue that kept everything together”), **Grammy Award**-winning artist, vocalist, producer and record executive **Chris Christian**. Mark has applied the knowledge gained from these experiences to his own musical endeavors, such as producing projects for **American Idol** contestants **Kristi Lee Cook** and **Celena Rae**, and in recording sessions, television productions and various live performances in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. He has been leading his own band, the DFW MusicMakers, since 2016.



Vincent Duhon, Dance Instructor, will teach **Mambo** at our March event. Vince is a second-generation dance professional and Rising Star American Rhythm Champion, open professional finalist, **world Mambo finalist**, and show dance champion. Teaching, coaching, and choreography are his passion. His coaches include Martin Lamb and Shirley Ballas. Whether you wish to compete or just want to brush up on your social dance skills, Vince loves to dance and to teach all levels. Reserve instruction from Vince by reservation only at 682-445-4867 or Vinceduhon@yahoo.com .



NEXT Dance: Saturday, April 20

Spring Has Sprung Ball

Featuring: Classic Swing Band

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Margaret Kochan teaching FoxTrot

Photos from February dance: Sweetheart Ball I Want To Hold Your Hand

By Ron Turner

www.RonTurner.Dance







BALLROOM DANCE DALLAS

Date: _____ **2024 MEMBER APPLICATION**

Members receive notices of each upcoming dance as well as a monthly newsletter by e-mail. Members also receive our yearbook of fellow club members with addresses and phone numbers. (Any member may request not to publish their information).

Membership dues for 2024 ~ \$40 per person

Please return Membership Application with your check for \$40 payable to: Ballroom Dance Dallas (BDD)

Mail to: Walt Hannon – Membership, 1447 Lonestar, Allen, TX 75013

2024 MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Please print clearly.

Name _____ Birthday (month & day only) _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email: _____

If there is anything you don't want shared with others, please note on application.

Questions about Membership contact Walt Hannon at 469-585-0312 or walt@saberdevelopment.com

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