



# USA Dance Willamette Chapter 1006

## Newsletter

July 2009

### River City Ball

By now, you who read the In Step magazine have seen and read our flyer announcing the River City Ball, on July 11th.

This is the only dance competition in the state of Oregon for amateur dancers. No professionals, or pro-am, just amateurs. We promise to deliver a quality, entertaining, fun event for all to enjoy and participate in (general dancing). On tap are some of the best and most recognizable adjudicators in the Northwest, our own Daniel Hutchison as DJ, Mr. Mike Wachal as MC, Steve Sowell as our scrutineer.



It is probably a big surprise to many of you in the Portland dance community, but there is parking available, and it's free!! Yes, we have secured free parking across the street from the Scottish Rite Temple, in the Artist Rep Theatre lot. Come early to acquire a good spot! If the ART lot is full, there is additional parking one block south on 15th in the Deluxe Hotel garage. This one isn't free I'm afraid.

The flyer states the dates as July 10-11. On Friday the 10th, there is a "Welcome Dance", sponsored by the Willamette chapter to get everyone out and about and loosened up and just have plain old fun. That evening's dance will be handled by Mark Richman, board member and also our DJ. Mark has a wealth of experience in playing the music that caters to all ranges of style and taste...and of course, your music by request.

There is one item that may not have been passed along. For the competitors, we have provided a practice floor located above the main ballroom, in the auditorium. There you may practice your routines, work on a particular pattern, warm up, or dance a little. Whatever you want (within reason of course).

Please check out our web site: [www.RiverCityBall.com](http://www.RiverCityBall.com). So do come one, come all! It's the River City Ball!



Yours in dance,  
*Roy F. Aveling*

# College Night 2009

What a year it has been for College Night! In 2009, USA-Dance Willamette (Chapter 1006)'s main initiative to promote dancing among the young has made huge strides.

January started off the year with a decent dance. If memory serves, I forgot to book someone, so I did the lesson myself (though it is possible someone jumped in at the last minute). February was our 3rd anniversary dance, which we celebrated with a waltz lesson by Rachel Lidskog and a performance by the River City Ball champion In Motion dance team! March was the best attended College Night yet with over 120 people! In partnership with Paradise Ballroom, we had Michael Kielbasa teach a West Coast Swing lesson. Also, we started using Paradise Ballroom's second ballroom to open a strictly West Coast Swing room, DJ'd that month by Andrew Sinclair and Andrew Slac! April had Jason Olson teaching Cha-Cha. May had Anya Klimova-Preston teaching Foxtrot. Chad Crader and Tonya Pevzner, a youth couple of hers performed, and Anya did her own show dances with Alex Por-

yadin, to the acclaim and joy of all in attendance! June had Melena Bronson jumping in on short notice to teach East Coast Swing.

Attendance has been great. Three dances have had over 100 dancers, and one in between had more than 90. The lessons have been packed, with frequently over 60 dancers participating by the final tally. Of special note is that College Night has really started to get true to its name as younger dancers are starting to make up a dominant portion of those attending. We would like to make special thanks to Melena Bronson, who teaches at PCC and whose recruiting of people to attend the dance is a huge reason for the uptick in attendance (I think she gives them extra credit for attending). We would also, of course, like to thank the management at Paradise Ballroom (Greg Krolicki, Jenica Krolicki, Astrid Perry, and Polly McBride) for continuing to work with us and supporting this project so well (might I note that a photo from College Night is on the front page of their homepage).

The demand for College Night has

been so great, that we are establishing a second monthly College Night on the 3rd Saturdays of the month! This will be starting in October. Stay tuned on that!

For the rest of the year, our instructors at the first Saturday dance will be: July - Leo McArdle and Laura Nelson, August - Andrew and Ida Slac, September - Sunnie Page and Mark Tabor, October - Jim and Michele Gray, November - Chris and Michelle Small, and December - Melena Bronson. Instructors for the third Saturday dance have not been booked.

If you're looking to check us out for the first time, come to Paradise Ballroom at 826 SE Belmont Street in Portland. The lesson runs from 7:30-8:30pm and the dancing, DJ'd by yours truly, from 8:30pm-Midnight. Cover is \$8 for normal people, and \$5 for students or normal people with a potluck item. Need info? Just email me at [pdxdancingfool@gmail.com](mailto:pdxdancingfool@gmail.com)!

Mark Richman

## BIG DANCE IN KEIZER

Mark your calendars for August 8, 2009

That's the date for you to dance the night away in Keizer!!! Yes, dancing in Keizer to the music of the **SALEM BIG BAND!**

The venue is the Keizer Salem Area Senior Center, 930 Plymouth Dr. N.E. located just north of the Salem Parkway and Cherry Ave. intersection. There will be a free dance lesson in beginner swing from 7:30PM-8:00PM, taught by Rich Petersen in the air-conditioned senior center, where there is plenty of room to strut your stuff and have a great time!

If you have never danced to the sounds of a big swing band but always wanted to, well here's your chance! The **SALEM BIG BAND** is an 18 piece band and most likely the busiest band in Oregon! They have performed for hundreds of public and private functions, dance and jazz events since 1989.

You don't want to miss this superb big band, bringing you the music and atmosphere of a bygone era that certainly is not gone. **SALEM BIG BAND** performs with featured vocalist, Ms. Christie Jungling.

Call the senior center for advanced tickets (\$10 p.p.) at 503-390-7441

All ages are welcome!!! Mark your calendars!!

# RIVER CITY BALL

## AMATEUR BALLROOM COMPETITION

INTERNATIONAL & AMERICAN STYLE  
YOUTH - ADULT - TEAM

JULY 10<sup>TH</sup> & 11<sup>TH</sup>

AT THE SCOTTISH RITE  
1512 SW MORRISON,  
PORTLAND, OREGON

[RIVERCITYBALL.COM](http://RIVERCITYBALL.COM)



USA DANCE  
WILLAMETTE CHAPTER #1006

# Rain Dance



# Free Parking!

## Wondering Where To Park for the Dances?

• **FREE PARKING** is now available across the street from the Scottish Rite Temple at the **Artists Rep Theater**. Come early to get your spot.

- For additional parking try the Hotel deLuxe Parking Garage. The entrance is on 15th between just north of Taylor. It's \$3-\$5 and just one short block to the Scottish Rite Temple.
- After 7 PM most street parking is free. Please check the meter at your spot to be sure.

## Would you like an escort to your car at the end of the dance?

- Please ask any board member for assistance and we'll accompany you to your car. (Bonus: it's a great way to get to know your board members)

**Ballroom**  
**Swing**  
**Latin**

*The Sesame Dance Club*  
Ballroom Dancing  
1st & 3rd Friday

**Norse Hall**  
**111 NE 11th**  
**Portland**  
(11th & NE Couch)

Members-\$7  
Guests-\$9  
Students-\$5

7:30 Dance Lesson  
8:30-11:30 General Dancing

[www.sesameclub.org](http://www.sesameclub.org)

503-675-0863 or 503-799-6024

*...how can I get involved?*

## Involvement is easy and rewarding

Just ask any board member how you can be involved. They will help you find a place suitable to your interests and availability.

## USA DANCE *Willamette Chapter*

Website: [www.portlandballroomdancers.com](http://www.portlandballroomdancers.com)

### 2008 Board of Directors and Officers

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*Our organization is all volunteer.  
Without you, it won't work.*

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

*Please contact any board member to find out how you can help promote and support social and competitive dancing for all ages.*

*We have needs in the following areas:*

**FUNDRAISING**  
**PUBLICITY**  
**SOCIAL DANCE**



### Membership Benefits *Discounts by Local Merchants*

Accent Plus (503) 635-2524	30-40% off Cosmetics
American Showcase (503) 242-9373	10% merchandise
Carrie B's Dance Shop (503) 254-1164	15% Discount with valid membership card
Dance Toggs (503) 644-7545	10% shoes in stock with valid membership card
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*Free Monthly Newsletter*

*Free Amateur Dancers Magazine*

*Reduced admission fee at the monthly USABDA dances and other events.*

### Advertising Rates

#### Non Member Rates\*

Business Card	\$11.25 per issue
1/4 page	\$18.00 per issue
1/2 page	\$30.00 per issue
Full page	\$51.00 per issue

#### USABDA Member Rates\*

Business Card	\$7.50 per issue
1/4 page	\$12.00 per issue
1/2 page	\$20.00 per issue
Full page	\$34.00 per issue.

The deadline for submitting ads and articles is the 20th of the month.

Please send files to [Joolietta@hotmail.com](mailto:Joolietta@hotmail.com) or a hard copy to:

USA Dance Willamette  
PMB #108  
9220 SW Barbur Blvd. #119  
Portland, OR 97219

# Where to Dance

## Portland

### Ballroom Dance Company

8900 SW Commercial Street  
Tigard, OR 97223  
(503) 473-8947  
www.theballroomdancecompany.com

### Ballroom Parkrose

4848 NE 105th Ave  
Portland OR  
(503) 254-1920  
www.ballroomparkrose.com

### Dance Every Friday Night

North Portland Eagles Lodge  
7611 N Exeter  
Portland OR  
(503) 286-8788

### Dance With Joy

Ankeny Street Studio  
SE 9th and Ankeny Street  
Portland OR 97214  
(503) 704-5617

### DanceWell

Tigard Dance Center  
11945 SW Pacific Highway, Ste 115  
Tigard OR  
(503) 241-0460  
www.dancewellballroom.com

### Elsie Stuhr Center

5550 SW Hall Blvd  
Beaverton OR  
(503) 629-6342  
www.thprd.org

### Flirts Lounge & Nightclub

Holiday Inn—Airport  
8439 NE Columbia Blvd  
Portland OR  
(503) 256-5000

### Friday Night Fever

PPAA  
618 SW Alder  
Portland OR  
(503) 289-0861  
Home.mindspring.com/~rsmith/fridaynightfever/index.com

### Let's Dance Band Club

Dances held at various locations  
(503) 639-8669  
www.letsdanceband.com

### Paradise Ballroom

826 SE Belmont St  
Portland OR  
(503) 231-8308  
www.paradisestudio.us

### Pioneer Community Center

Washington & SW 6th  
Oregon City OR  
(503) 657-8287  
www.oregoncityparks.org/pioneer-center/

### Portland Swing Dance Club

Dances at various locations  
www.portlandswing.org

### Renaissance Ballroom Dance Studio

610 McLoughlin Blvd  
Oregon City OR 97045  
(503) 722-9922  
www.renaissanceballroomdance.com

### Satin & Latin Dance Studio

707 NE Broadway, Ste 201  
Portland OR 97232  
(503) 281-6691 or (800) 927-9442  
www.satinlatindance.com

### Sesame Dance Club

Norse Hall  
111 NE 11th Ave  
Portland OR  
(503) 675-0863 or (503) 799-6024

### Susan's Social Dance Studio

Norse Hall  
111 NE 11th Ave  
Portland OR  
(503) 221-3083  
www.norsehall.org/molitor.htm

### Uptown Ballroom

8936 SW 17th Avenue  
Portland OR 97219  
(503) 789-3023  
www.UpTownBallroom.net

## Vancouver

### Dance It's Good For Your Heart!

Dance Fusion  
11815 NE Highway 99  
Vancouver WA 98661  
Info: William Milmo (360) 695-4482

## Salem

### RJ Dance Studio

Pearce Ballroom  
317 Court Street NE  
Salem OR  
(503) 363-3341  
Toll Free WA/OR (800) 363-3341  
www.rjdance.com

## Eugene

### Eugene Swing Dance Club

Agate Hall U of O  
Eugene OR  
Info: (541) 687-9464  
www.68swing.com

### Robert Alexander Dance Club

Studio B  
189 W 8th  
Eugene OR 97401  
www.alexanderdanceonline.com

### USA Dance Eugene/Springfield

Vet's Club  
1626 Willamette  
Eugene OR 97401  
Info: (541) 554-0541  
www.USADanceEugeneSpringfield.org

## Corvallis

### Oregon State Univ. Ballroom Dance Club

Memorial Union Ballroom  
OSU Campus  
Corvallis OR  
Info: Cathy Dark (541) 737-5929  
www.oregonstate.edu/groups/ballroom/dances/pots

## Medford

### USA Dance So. Oregon

Evergreen Ballroom  
6088 Crater Lake Ave  
Central Point OR  
Info: Jeri (541) 482-8812

## Yachats

### YACHATS Big Band

Yachats Commons  
441 N Coast Hwy 101  
Yachats OR  
Info: Gary Cleasby, (541)547-5474 or Susan Garner (541) 547-4734  
www.geocities.com/yhtsbgbnd/

## Central Oregon

### Bend Dance

541-610-2114  
www.BendDance.com

### Bend Senior Center

1600 SE Reed Market Rd  
Bend OR  
541-388-1133

### Central Oregon Dance Company

1368 S Hwy 97  
Redmond OR 97756  
541-419-8998  
www.centraloregondance.com

### Deschutes County Ballroom Dance Club

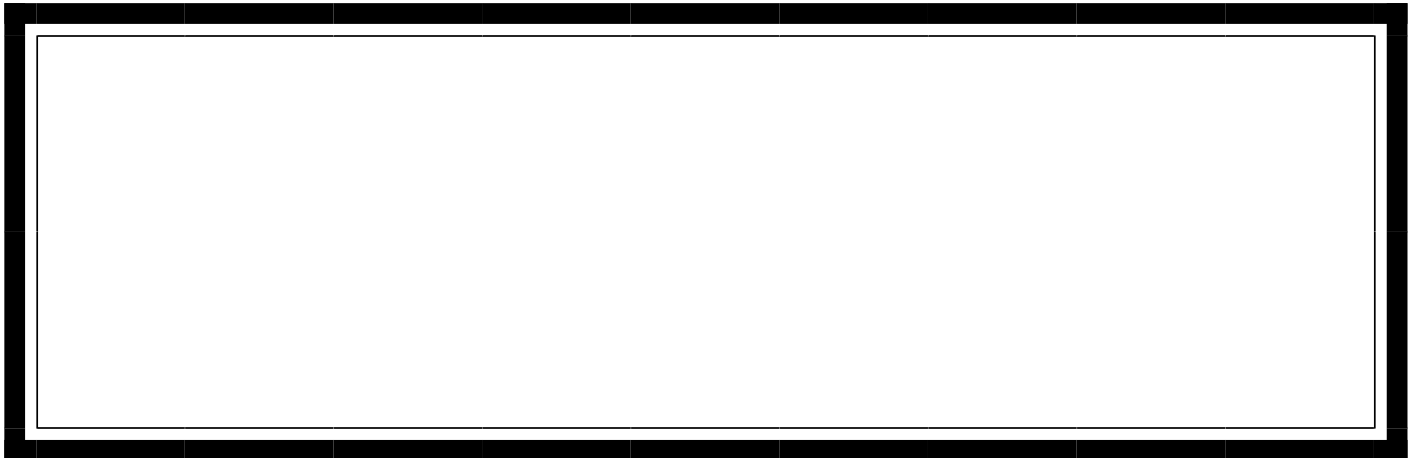
175 NE Greenwood Ave  
Bend OR 97701  
541-322-0220  
www.deschutescountyballroom.com

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*Promoting the Spread  
and Enjoyment of Ballroom Dancing*



**Next Dances:**  
July 10th & 11th: River City Ball Amateur Competition  
September 19th: Day of Dance  
December 19th: Winter Wonderland Ball

**Location:** Scottish Rite Temple  
1512 SW Morrison St  
Portland OR

***REMINDER:*** *Parking is available for a \$5 or less in the DeLuxe Hotel parking lot just l  
block south of the Scottish Rite Temple.*