



# The Official Newsletter of the Ballet Women's Committee

March 2009

Dear Ladies,

What a wonderful meeting we had at Judy Campbell's beautiful home! Thanks so much to Judy and to Belinda Malke and her committee for the delicious food.

Please remember to mail your new member forms to Leigh Ann Yeilding. We will vote on these proposed ladies at the April meeting. Try to have your forms to Leigh Ann before the meeting so we can type up a list of names before the vote. The form was mailed with the last Tutu and is available on our web site.

Also, we need your completed applications for this year's Poinsettia debs. Please send your forms to Judy Campbell by March 18. This form is also available on the web site.

Our next meeting is a night meeting at my house. It is a dinner meeting so everyone must RSVP to me so we can have an accurate count for the food. This is always a fun evening with a short business meeting and then lots of social time and eating! (What could be better than that?) I hope to see all of you there!

Melinda Helveston

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## Thursday, April 2nd Meeting 6:30pm Dinner Meeting

Please RSVP—967-3728  
No Board Meeting

Home of Melinda Helveston  
2404 Ridge Crest Lane  
Birmingham, Alabama 35243  
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From Rocky Ridge Road, turn left onto Dolly Ridge Road. Go under the two traffic lights and take the next right turn, Dolly Ridge Crest. Take an immediate right and my house is the second house on the left. You can park up the long driveway or on the street.

Food Chairman: Sarah Cowart  
Food Committee: Cheri Amos, Susan Baker, Susan Bishop, Julie Blumenthal, Karen Cory, Beth Glisson, Liz Guest, Susie Helton, Desiree Maples, Mary Esther Mathis, Suzanne McQuiston, Suzanne Phillips, Tammy Towns, Donna Vaughn, Tina Westbrook, Buffie Whitt, Rita Wood

## Don't Miss the Ballet's Last Performance of the Season - Tharp's *Nine Sinatra Songs*

Complete with Red Carpet and Best Dressed Competition!  
And A Sinatra-Worthy offer for the Ballet Women's Committee

To celebrate the Alabama premiere of Twyla Tharp's *Nine Sinatra Songs*, Alabama Ballet and Saks Fifth Avenue have created an exciting **red carpet event** with a special offer just for you!

Prior to our Saturday night April 4<sup>th</sup> performance, beginning at 6:30 PM, the Ballet will host a red carpet event honoring our city's **Best Dressed Couples** (that could be a lady and a gentleman, or two ladies and two gentlemen, a mother and a daughter—you choose!) There will be a distinguished panel of judges to award three \$200 certificates to Saks for "Most Sophisticated" "Most Glamorous" "Most Innovative." Walk down the red carpet at Samford's Wright Center, be seen, photographed and judged for your personalized outfit. Cocktails will precede the show at Brio.

For **Ballet Women's Committee members** only, purchase **one full-price ticket and get the second ticket for free!** Saks wants Guild members to have an "added advantage" so they are issuing a **15% Saks Gift Card at the time of your ballet purchase.** This discount gives you the perfect opportunity to purchase a swanky new outfit or some fabulous accessories.

Here's how it works. Just visit **Saks' 2<sup>nd</sup> floor General Office**, Mon-Sat between 9A-5p and Sunday, noon – 6 pm beginning Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>. Receive **two ticket "vouchers"** and your 15% Saks discount. The discount is to be used **Sunday, March 22 through Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>.**

Option 1: When you come the night of the ballet, come early with vouchers in hand. You will exchange your vouchers for tickets at Samford's ticket window. Remember, one voucher represents a free ticket, the other you will pay for. Option 2: Visit the Alys Stephen's Box Office, located at 1200 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue South- on the UAB campus and select seats ahead of time. You're sure to get the best selection this way.

With on-stage fashions by Oscar de la Renta, and memorable tunes by 'ol Blue Eyes himself, ***Sinatra Songs*** is the perfect ballet for Red Carpet glamour! For more information, call Leslie Cooper at 205-322-9095 or email [lesliecooper@alabamaballet.org](mailto:lesliecooper@alabamaballet.org).

**Did you know???????**  
 The Alabama Ballet School Scholarship Program offers talented students the opportunity to train at the Alabama Ballet's Royal Academy of Dance-affiliated school. Alabama Ballet is the first dance school in the state to offer training under the RAD syllabus. The scholarship program also grants financial assistance to eligible students who attend Alabama Ballet's Summer Program.  
 Read more at [www.alabamaballet.org/school-about.html](http://www.alabamaballet.org/school-about.html).

<p><b>General Meetings</b>          First Thursday of the month 10:30 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Board Meetings</b>          Prior to General Meetings 9:30 a.m.</p>
<p><b>April Meeting:</b>          Thursday, April 2          Dinner meeting 6:30pm          Home of Melinda Helveston          No Board Meeting</p>	<p><b>May Meeting:</b>          Thursday, May 7 10:30 a.m.          Home of Mary Jo Angelo          Coffee for New Members          Installation of Officers for 2009-2010</p>

*Mark your calendar...*

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## *Ballet Women's Committee*

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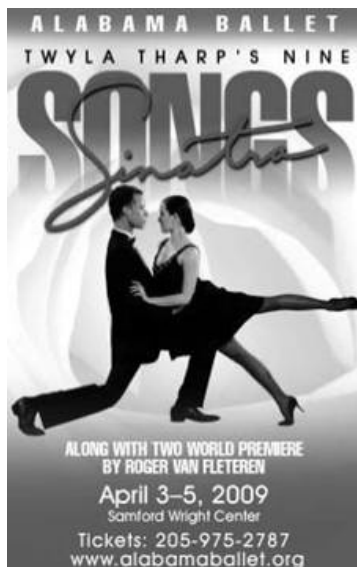
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