

REGISTRATION

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

PHONE: _____

PLEASE REGISTER BY OCTOBER 15:

 **WORKSHOP & BALL**, *age 12 and over only.*
(Lunch included)


- RSCDS member: \$75 / \$80 after Oct. 15
- Non RSCDS member: \$85 / \$90
- Youth: \$45 / \$50 (*youth: 12-17*)
(maximum \$130 youth/family)

Level: (*see descriptions overleaf*)

- Basic* *Intermediate/Advanced*

 **BALL ONLY**, *age 12 and over only.*

- RSCDS member: \$35 / \$40 after Oct. 15
- Non RSCDS member: \$40 / \$45
- Youth: \$15 / \$20, (*youth: 12-17*)
- Non dancer: No charge

 **AFTER PARTY:** non-dancers \$5, dancers free
#of dancers: _____ #of non-dancers: _____

 **SUNDAY DUTCH BRUNCH:** La Madeleine
(for planning purposes)

Total: _____

Please send registration(s) and check(s) to:

Raquel Scarone, Branch Treasurer
67 N. Acacia Park Circle, The Woodlands, TX 77382

Make all checks payable to "Houston RSCDS." For RSCDS membership, enclose membership application located at www.houstonrscds.org with payment.





Ball briefs and more info will be sent upon receiving registration form.

For questions, call Raquel Scarone: 832-293-5409

BALL PROGRAM 2011





Attire: 'After Five' or Scottish; NO hoop skirts, please.

Grand March

-  Machine Without Horses *8x32J, RSCDS Bk 12*
- Miss Johnstone of Ardrossan *5x32R, 14 Social Dances*
- Sea Tangle of Skye *6x32S, Dances from an Island Clan*
-  Clutha *4x48R in a square set, RSCDS Bk 31*
- The Chequered Court *8x32J, RSCDS Bk 42*
- Bonnie Stronshiray *8x32S, Glasgow Assembly*
-  Joie de Vivre *8x32J, RSCDS Bk 39*
- Peat Fire Flame *8x40R, Bon Accord Bk*
-  Sugar Candie *8x32S, RSCDS Bk26*
- Bauldy Bain's Fiddle *8x32R, Lothian Collection*

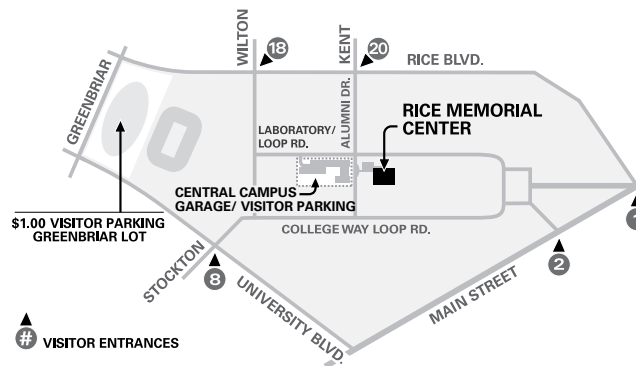


Waltz

-  Sleepy Maggie *8x32R, RSCDS Bk 11*
- The Compleat Gardener *8x32J, Irene Paterson*
-  Blue Mess Jacket *4x32S, Kinclaven Pocket Bk of 6 SCDs*
- Best Set in the Hall *8x32J, RSCDS Bk 46*
- Wicked Willy *4x32R, Bicentennial Bk*
- The Gentleman *8x32S, RSCDS Bk 35*
-  The Reel of the Royal Scots *8x32R, SCD Leaflets*
-  *Suitable for less-experienced dancers*

BALL & WORKSHOP VENUE

Rice Memorial Center, 6100 Main, Houston



HOUSTON DISTRICT

2011 workshop & BALL



OCTOBER 28-30

Guest Teacher:

Elinor Vandegriff
from Seattle, Washington

Music:

Muriel Johnstone - *Piano*
Judi Nicolson - *Fiddle*



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workshop Level DESCRIPTIONS

- age 12 and over.

BASIC SCD - for those who have had an introduction to Scottish Country Dancing, have a basic understanding of progressions, but need practice on basic steps and formations at a relaxed pace. Suitable for dancers with at least one month experience, or those who have had interrupted instruction in basic footwork and formations.

INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED SCD - for those with at least one or two years' experience who KNOW all the standard steps and formations, are comfortable with them and can generally maintain a good standard of technique (footwork, phrasing and handing) from exercises to actual dancing. This session will focus on new or less familiar material at a faster pace than the Basic workshop. Dances will be walked, but not necessarily from every position. Dancers attending this workshop are welcome to attend the Basic workshop as well if they wish.

workshop/BALL schedule

FRIDAY, OCT. 28 - The Courtyard by Marriott
7:00-9:30 pm Ball Walk-through and refreshments.

SATURDAY, OCT. 29 - Rice Memorial Center
9:00 am Late registration
9:30 am-12:00 Intermediate/Advanced Workshop
(Please see description)

12:00-1:00 pm Lunch
1:00-3:00 pm Basic Workshop
(Please see description)

BALL -Rice Memorial
7:00 pm Door open / late registration
7:30 pm Grand March & Ball
11:00 pm After Party - The Marriott

SUNDAY, OCT. 30 - La Madeleine
10:00 am Dutch Brunch
(Please indicate on registration)

hospitality

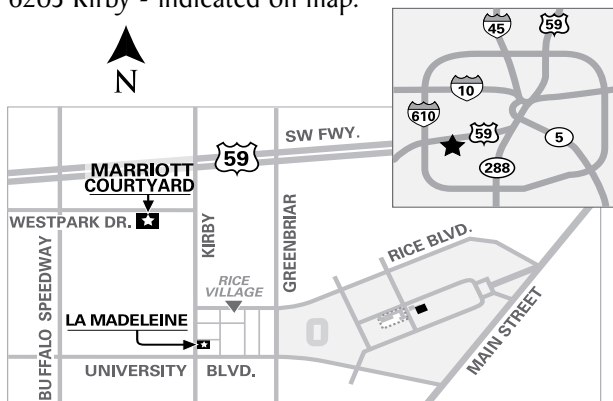
Courtyard by Marriott - West University

2929 Westpark, Houston, Texas 77005
713-661-5669 or 1-800-321-2211

Reserve rooms by Oct. 14 and mention Scottish Country Dancing for a special rate of \$85.00 a night, plus tax.

Both the Friday Night Registration/Walk-through and the After Party will be held at the host hotel.

SUNDAY BRUNCH at La Madeleine, 6205 Kirby - indicated on map.



GUEST TEACHER: ELINOR VANDEGRIFT



With parents from Glasgow, Elinor has a Scottish heritage that made SCD an easy thing in which to be involved from an early age. Since receiving her Full Certificate under Anna Holden's tutelage in 1970, she has taught all ages and levels of ability. In 1995 she was honoured to be appointed one of the first two North American RSCDS examiners. In 2007 Elinor was awarded the RSCDS Scroll of Honor for outstanding contribution to the preservation of Scottish Country Dancing. Elinor retired, a few years ago, from teaching adapted P.E. She taught children, with special needs, pre-school through 12th grade. She is now involved in a variety of volunteer activities, teaching and dancing with the local Branch in Seattle,

and learning to play golf! She and her husband Dave enjoy travelling and experiencing new cultures.

She looks forward to sharing the "joie de vivre" of dancers and musicians in Houston.

MURIEL JOHNSTONE

Muriel writes: "I have been lucky enough to have had an extraordinary life in traditional Scottish music and dance. What started as a childhood hobby in Miss Ann Hughes' class in Saltcoats, Ayrshire, has taken me from Scotland to the USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Africa and across Europe! It's hard to decide which I enjoy more, the music or the dance; I'm very lucky to be involved in both.

I have enjoyed some wonderful musical liaisons with many talented musicians. It's hard to say who has been the biggest influence but the process started with my mother Dorothy (also a pianist). My first band engagement was with Bobby Crowe who introduced me to 'the dots'. Another colossal influence is Alasdair Fraser who encouraged me to abandon the printed copy and live dangerously!

In 1988, with the help of Bill, the fledgling company "Scotscores" released its first recording - "Dancing Fingers". There are now 25 CDs on the Scotscores label and 8 books of music.

Composition is one of my favourite pastimes, but there are other loves in my life - family, golfing, cooking, reading and spending time with friends - never enough!"

JUDI NICOLSON

Judi is originally from Banchory, Scotland, the heart of North-East fiddle tradition. In 1984, aged 15, she won the Golden Fiddle Championship.

She has appeared on television and radio and performed live as a solo artiste and also in groups and bands, including the Colin Dewar Scottish dance band. She has several solo and band recordings to her credit, and has published her own book of compositions. She lived in Shetland for 15 years before moving back to Aberdeenshire to teach violin in the schools. Judi moved to the Houston area a few years ago with her husband and family and is now teaching violin/fiddle lessons here.