

# Tucson Swing Dance Club Newsletter



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## President's Message

Hello everyone.

I hope you are enjoying our beautiful spring weather. I hope those of you planning to attend Phoenix 4th of July take my advice on getting a room early. In case you are going to do that, I thought I would give you the name of the correct hotel. Last month I said it was at the Camelback Resort and Spa because it has always been there. Until this year that is. **This year it is at the Arizona Biltmore Resort and Spa.** The dates are **July 4th through the 8th.** Complete information is available on the Phoenix website at <http://www.gpsdc.com>. As has been said many times in the past, this is a great convention that is real close to home and well attended by our Club. Our Club normally has 30 tickets available for distribution. But this year Phoenix will have a larger capacity and will be selling more tickets. **So we will have tickets on sale at our Club starting March 1st and it is expected that there will be enough for everyone who wants one.** Early purchases are preferred because Phoenix is trying to get an early head count. Also the special room rates from the Biltmore are currently only guaranteed through

the end of May. So that early registration is important. You can also think about helping out at the convention. The Phoenix Club always needs help at the doors and registration tables.

On March 15th we will have a nominating committee meeting for the election of Club Officers, with elections in April. If you want some input, please see me, Wayne, or Steve Slocum. On the night of March 15th we will also have our St. Patrick's day dance/party. It will be a pot-luck, bring a dish and get in for free that night. This is one of my favorite parties, but of course I'm Irish.

As always, I encourage new dancers to get lots of lessons and/or go out with people you can practice with. It takes time and effort to build proficiency in this dance but it is well worth that effort and the learning itself can be an adventure. If you have no prior dance experience, most people have to learn something about music as well as body movement to succeed at WCS. That coupled with the exercise you get is a life enriching experience. So take advantage of our Thursday classes, they are the best deal in town.

Until next month I'll see you out dancing.  
Bill Garrity

**We have Great Instructors.  
They Volunteer their time.**

**What have you done lately to help  
out at your club?**

**We always need someone to get  
water or sodas or someone to help  
decorate or someone to push in  
chairs and pick up trash at the end  
of the evening.**

**Your club needs your skills.  
Be helpful.**

Photos by  
Shadow! Nightwing

**March  
2007**



**President  
Bill Garrity**

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# February Valentine Photos



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## February Jack and Jill Photos

### Novice Winners



**1st Place:**  
Tom Fox and Sue Koepke

**2nd Place:**  
Steve Slocum and  
Nikki Charns

**3rd Place:**  
Giuliana Donnelly and  
Dan Sweeny

### Intermediate Winners



**1st Place:**  
Jim Davis and Jordan Taylor

**2nd Place:**  
Jim Davis and  
Heather McLean

**3rd Place:**  
Rosanne Crago and  
Chris McLean

### Advanced Winners



**1st Place:**  
Wendy Miller and  
James Hood

**2nd Place:**  
April Amstutz and  
Don Bennett

**3rd Place:**  
Jane Morgan and  
Scott Miller

St Patrick's Day  
On Thursday March 15th  
Wear Green  
Bring your Pot Luck  
To Get in Free

If you have the time before the lesson to decorate  
please let Marta or Jane know.

## Desert Garden

### Design

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**Happy Hour FREE from 7pm to 9pm**  
**3rd Saturday each month**  
**At The Maverick**

**Contact Cathy Schreiber for information 272-3355**  
**Or call the TSDC hotline 520 745-0255**

**The BY LAWS and TSDC Club Rules**  
**and Jack n Jill Contest Rules**  
**are available at the sign in desk**

**National Swing Dance Website**  
**[www.swingdance council.com](http://www.swingdance council.com)**

## **Volunteer Instructor for the Month of March Lisa Brink**

**Nominating Committee  
for the 2007-2008  
New Board Members  
To be held on March 15th  
*What can you do for your club?***

*March 1, 2007*

*Begins the Phoenix Dance Convention Ticket Purchase*

*If your membership is current \$105.00*

*For non members \$110.00*

*Cash or Check ready in hand*

*Buy early do not delay*

*(No Lottery this year)*

**See the website for additional information  
at [www.tsdclub.net](http://www.tsdclub.net)  
See the Newsletter online in color**

**Send newsletter input to  
[tsdclubnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:tsdclubnewsletter@gmail.com)**

# March 2007

**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

				1 Jack and Jill Contest Instructor Lisa Brink DJ to be announced	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 Instructor Lisa Brink DJ to be announced	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 St. Patrick's Pot Luck Instructor Lisa Brink DJ to be announced	16	17 Happy Hour at The Maverick 7pm 9pm
18	19	20	21	22 Instructor Lisa Brink DJ to be announced	23	24
25	26	27	28	29 Instructor Lisa Brink DJ to be announced	30	31

**Thursday dances: 6245 E. Bellevue Street    520 745-0255    [www.tsdcl.net](http://www.tsdcl.net)**

**Beginning lesson 7-7:45pm    Intermediate lesson 8-8:30pm    Dancing until 10:30pm**

**March Birthdays**

- Dave Pedigo  
3/2
- Elly Cummings  
3/5
- Jose Garcia  
3/5
- Ellen Colonna  
3/6
- Jim Shiner  
3/8
- Jordan Taylor  
3/14
- Natanya Siegel  
3/17
- Barbara Lacinski  
3/23
- Mahnia Villazon  
3/25
- Sherry Lotz  
3/29

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**Must be received by the 15th of the month for the following month's newsletter.**

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**TSDC 2005-2006 –2007 Board**

**Elected positions:**

- President Bill Garrity
- Vice President Wayne Scheibe
- Treasurer Don Bennett
- Membership Vicki France
- Corporate Secretary Kari Rasmussen

**Appointed directors:**

- Music Director L Perez
- Sergeant-at-arms Jim Buchanan
- Hospitality/Publicity Director Marta Buchanan
- Public Relations Steve Slocum
- Dance Director Lisa Brink
- Appointed coordinator:**
- Contest Coordinator Sam Fox
- Newsletter Editor Jane Morgan

**New Members**

- Dennis Brunelli
- Robin Chlad
- Jon Dyhr
- Richard Maxwell
- Art O'mara
- Ferne Ross
- Donna Switzer
- Natanya Siegel
- Jasmine Lane
- Ross Hughes
- Susan Saunders

**Get in FREE during the week of your Birthday**

**Greater Phoenix Swing Dance Club**

**Dances are held every Sunday night**

**At the VFW Post 720**

**4853 E. Thomas Road , Phoenix**

**Lessons—5:00 to 7:00 PM**

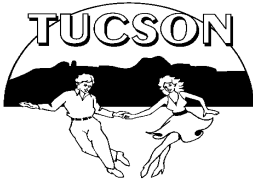
**Open Dancing - 7:00 to 10:00PM**

**For more information call the hotline**

**(602) 269—5657**

**or visit the website**

**[www.gpsdc.com](http://www.gpsdc.com)**



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We're on the WEB!  
WWW.TSDC.NET

*Swing Dance Club*

## **Tucson Swing Dance Club**

**The only place to be on Thursday**

### **Free pass**

This pass entitles \_\_\_\_\_  
to a free beginner's lesson at the Tucson Swing Dance Club, compliments of

\_\_\_\_\_

who is a club member. **Good for the first visit only.**

**Tucson Swing Dance Club - 6245 E. Bellevue - 520 745-0255 [www.tsdcc.net](http://www.tsdcc.net)**

**Beginning Lesson at 7pm**  
**Intermediate Lesson at 8pm**  
**Open dance till 10:30pm**

**Member entry donation \$3.00**  
**Guest and non members \$5.00**

**Annual membership \$25.00**

**Hot Line phone #520 745 0255**

## **Dance Lessons At the Club**

Each month the club dance instructors teach the beginning patterns in West Coast Swing. Students may start the lesson sequence on any Thursday.

**First Thursday of the month:** Left side pass, underarm turn, underarm turn with a hand change, and the right side pass.

**Second Thursday:** 4-beat starter step, throwout, closed basic.

**Third Thursday:** Sugar push, tuck throwout, turning basic.

**Fourth Thursday:** Basic whip, whip with an inside turn, whip with an outside turn.

**Fifth Thursday:** Basket whip and variations.

We recommend taking the basic class for three months before going on to the intermediate class. Intermediate classes teach pattern variations, combinations, and syncopations beyond the basics.