

Tucson Swing Dance Club Newsletter



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President's Message

Hello everyone.

This is my last letter to you as Steve Slocum is now the President of the Tucson Swing Dance Club. I wanted to thank everyone who has been involved the last three years in working in the Club in all of the various functions. I am always talking about how it's a volunteer Club and how people need to participate. I may give the impression nobody ever wants to help out at the Club but it is just the opposite.

There are a lot of individual functions that need to be taken care of. The members able to help at any given point in time are always changing, so I am always asking for new people to make themselves available. And we are all fortunate to have a friendly amicable Club where people do volunteer. The tasks are accomplished. The rotation of people helping goes on.

In being on the Board the most basic concern is the Thursday night dance. Having a nice place to hold it, equipment that sounds nice and the right music. Over the last three years we have upgraded and repaired all of our equipment and expanded our music library. I would like to thank Jim Buchanan for all he did in this area. I am always thankful for all of our DJ's. The music played in the open dance is always the subject of comment. If I don't particularly like the music on Thursday, what I do at the end of the dance is go up and thank the DJ for playing music all night. I don't expect that I'm always going to like the music played that night. But I always appreciate the time and effort out DJ's are putting in. Everyone likes different music, a DJ can't please the entire crowd. Let them know you appreciate their effort.

The next big concern for the Board is the quality of lessons we offer. I think Lisa Brink has done a wonderful job of rotating

instructors in for the monthly teachings. I like the way we have a different instructor each month. I have been very happy with the ability of all of our Club instructors as well as their willingness to volunteer. Most Clubs would feel lucky with one or two qualified instructors, we are rotating six or seven with a couple of assistants as well. I have said it before, and I'll say it now, our Thursday lesson is the perfect place to see the instructors, make comparisons and then make your contacts.

Our Club contest are one of the main events we sponsor. There is a lot of work in putting on a contest. More individuals are involved, some come just to help with the contests. And of course all of the contestants. I would like to thank everyone involved. Especially, behind the scenes, Marta Buchanan had put in a lot of work every contest night as the contest coordinator. That position works most of the night on the contest, before during and after. We are fortunate to have members willing to put in time and effort like that to have a successful Club. Marta Buchanan was the main organizer of most social events during the last three years.

I can not thank everyone who has helped out during the last three years except to say "thank you everyone". The last individual I will mention is Wayne Schiebe who was always my consultant and advisor on Club issues, and one of the main workers on all social events. Thank you Wayne. I also consulted Jim Buchanan on most issues since he is a past President of the Club.

Now for my always repeating theme, there will be spots open this next year, and new people will be needed to help out. Think about if you should be one of them. Talk to Steve Slocum if you are interested.

And as Always, I will continue to see you out dancing.

Bill Garrity

May
2007



**Past
President
Bill Garrity**



**New
President
Steve Slocum**

April Photos



Photos by Shadow! Nightwing



April Jack and Jill Photos

Novice Winners



1st Place:
Steve Slocum
and Sam Fox

2nd Place:
Steve Slocum and
Eleanor Schrandt

3rd Place:
Tom Fox and
Nikki Charns

Advanced Winners



1st Place:
Harvey Dong and
Tamra Hood

1st Place:
Hondo Velasco and
Marta Buchanan

2nd Place:
James Hood and
Jane Morgan

3rd Place:
L Perez and
Ellen Colonna

Photos
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Shadow!
Night-
wing

On June 14th (second Thursday of the month)
we have an open Jack and Jill Contest.
No points, just fun.

All novice and intermediate contestants
will draw an advanced dancer from the hat.
We will also have a mugging ceremony for those
who place 1st during this past contest season



Volunteer Instructor for the Month of May

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www.swingdance council.com

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**Last Jack n Jill of this
contest season
May 3rd**

**Finals will be held on
August 16th
(No Contest in July)**

Calendar for Instructors

June: Lacy Petterson

July: James & Tamra Hood

August: Jesse Dickson

**No TSDC Thursday night
dance on July 5th
'Gone to**

**The Greater Phoenix
Swing Dance Convention'**

See the website for additional information
at www.tsdc.net

See the Newsletter online in color

Happy Hour FREE from 7pm to 9pm
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At The Maverick

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Swingin' Dance Camp*

Dec 28-Jan 1, 2007-8

Get your tickets early this year!

Wyndham Hotel, Palm Springs, California

May 2007

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

		1	2	3 Last of Season Jack N Jill Contest Instructor LP DJ to be announced	4	5
6	7	8	9	10 Instructor LP DJ to be announced	11	12
13	14	15 The New Board meets at new President's home 6pm	16	17 Instructor LP DJ to be announced	18	19 Happy Hour at The Maverick 7-9pm
20	21	22	23	24 Instructor LP DJ to be announced	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 Instructor LP DJ to be announced		

Thursday dances: 6245 E. Bellevue Street 520 745-0255 www.tsdclub.net

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

May Birthdays

Eleanor Schrandt
5/3

Ferne Ross
5/5

Hondo Velasco
5/6

Ed Brown
5/7

Ro Vaughn
5/11

Dana Switzer
5/13

Sophia Penrod
5/15

Richard Maxwell
5/19

Wendy Miller
5/20

Dan Carlson
5/21

Jon Dyhr
5/26

Larry Mulhern
5/26

Robin Chlad
5/30

Bruce Johnston
5/30

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

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TSDC 2007-2008 – Board

Elected positions:

President Steve Slocum
 Vice President Ellen Colonna
 Treasurer Don Bennett
 Membership Vicki France
 Corporate Secretary Kari Rasmussen

Appointed directors:

Music Director to be announced
 Sergeant-at-arms to be announced
 Hospitality/Publicity Director to be announced
 Public Relations to be announced
 Dance Director to be announced
Appointed coordinator:
 Contest Coordinator to be announced
 Newsletter Editor to be announced

New Members

Jordan McGary
 (Wendy's son)
 Stryder Crown
 Anna Basden
 Nancy Gurley

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

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For more information call the hotline

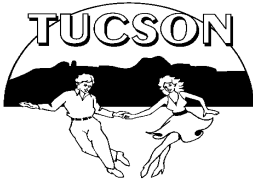
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This is my last newsletter. If you are interested in replacing me as the editor of the newsletter, please see me at the sign in desk. Thank you Jane Morgan



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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.tsdc.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.