

Tucson Swing Dance Club Newsletter



Swing Dance Club

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President's Message

Hello everyone.

Before I begin, I would like to say thanks to everybody who makes this club such a great one. The club has been in existence since 1977. It remains a vibrant club due to the hard work of volunteers. Dancing has been a gift to me that has helped me through some very difficult days. When I lost my son in 2001, I could never imagine laughing or smiling ever again. After a couple of hard years, it became obvious that it was time to crawl back into a place where I could enjoy life. So I decided to try my hand (rather, my feet) at dancing. Never did I realize how much I would love it, and how therapeutic it would be for me. Being with a group of fun-loving people, learning to express with my body what the music is making me feel, wholesome touch, music awareness and appreciation.... So many good things. It has been an amazing healing experience for me, so I feel I owe a part of my soul to dance, and a debt of gratitude to my dance friends and those who make the club happen. Thank you, all of you. It is an honor for me to now take a turn at helping out, and who knows who may come along and find their way through dance like I did.

Thanks to all past board members who have volunteered their time to make the club happen. New board members include Ellen Colonna – VP (she's hardly new, having served in various capacities in the club for years), Eleanor Schrandt – Hospitality Director, and Tamra Hood – Music Director. All other positions will remain the same as last year. We still need a couple of volunteers to publish the newsletter, and to handle public relations. If you are interested, please see any of the board members. For a complete listing of the board members, see page 7 of the newsletter, or go to the web site: <http://>

www.tsdcl.org/

As the summer heat picks up, here is what is going on in the world of WCS in Tucson. Our May 3 Jack and Jill competition was the last one for the season. The next formal club competition will be the Jack and Jill finals, to be held on August 16th. The finalists are chosen from the September through May contests based on highest point totals. The competition is intense and \$1000 in prizes will be given away. You won't want to miss it.

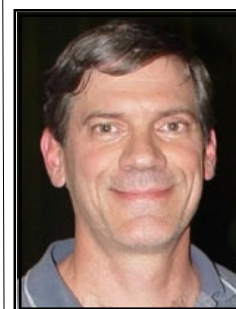
We will take a break on testing in new contestants until just before we start the new season in September. In the meantime, our dance director, Lisa Brink, and Vice President/head judge, Ellen Colonna, will be making some changes to the procedure for testing in. We will be communicating that to the membership this summer and kicking things off immediately after the Jack and Jill finals in August to make sure we have a great first contest on September 6th. As a novice competitor myself, I would like to say that it is GREAT to see so many new novice competitors entering the contests. Give yourselves a pat on the back. I know it can be scary at first.

On June 14th we will have a "just for fun" open Jack and Jill contest in which novice and intermediate dancers will be paired up with an advanced dancer. We'll have other activities as well including mixer dances and refreshments.

If you want to have a rockin'-fantastic good time, show up at the Greater Phoenix Swing Dance Club 4th of July convention from 4-8 July. For all the info, go to our web site <http://www.tsdcl.org/> or come talk to Jane at the front table. It will be non-stop dancing for 3 days – hundreds of people will be there. I guarantee a good time and that your dancing will reach a new level. Remember that our club will be closed on that Thursday, July 5th.

Steve Slocum

June
2007



President
Steve Slocum

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May Jack and Jill Photos



Photos by Shadow! Nightwing



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Novice Winners

1st Place:
Gail Vamadeva
and Tom Fox

2nd Place:
Giuliana Donnelly and
Tom Fox

3rd Place:
Sam Fox and
Don Adamavich

Intermediate Winners

1st Place:
Heather Mclean and
Martin Rubio

2nd Place:
Jordan Taylor and
Jim Davis

3rd Place:
Rosanne Crago and
Chris Mclean

Advanced Winners

1st Place:
Wendy Miller and
Hondo Velasco

2nd Place:
Jane Morgan and
James Hood

3rd Place:
Marta Buchanan and
Scott Miller

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 June

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www.swingdance council.com

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Vicki France 519-9342

**No TSDC Thursday night
dance on July 5th
'Gone to
The Greater Phoenix
Swing Dance Convention'**

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

**Calendar for Instructors
July: James & Tamra Hood
August: Jesse Dickson**

See the website for additional information
at www.tsdc.net
See the Newsletter online in color

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

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We have beginning classes all day!
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June 2007

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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3	4	5	6	7 Instructor L Perez DJ Jim Buchanan	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 Fun Contest Instructor L Perez DJ Tamra	15	16 Happy Hour at The Maverick 7-9pm
17	18	19	20	21 Instructor L Perez DJ L Perez	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 Instructor L Perez DJ Jim Buchanan	29	30

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

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

June Birthdays

Harvey Dong
6/2

Martin Rubio
6/5

Kari Rasmussen
6/11

Lisa Brink
6/11

Lon Hood
6/13

Daniel Moates
6/14

Andrew Poe
6/18

Tom Fox
6/20

Jeff Brucker
6/21

Norma Sebastian
6/22

Tatyana Gordievskaya
6/23

Donna Green
6/24

Kim Kirkpatrick
6/25

Ron Satterfield
6/28

Sherril Geer
6/30

Support TSDC by advertising in the newsletter. Send camera-ready ads and checks payable to the Tucson Swing Dance Club to: TSDC, P.O. Box 32226, Tucson, Arizona 85751-2226, or email a Postscript file of your ad to tsdcnewsletter@gmail.com and drop your check in the mail.

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

Issues	1	2	4	6
Business card	\$7	\$13.50	\$25	\$35
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Third page	\$19.50	\$37.50	\$65	\$95
Half page	\$25	\$45	\$70	\$100
Full page	\$40	-	-	-
Single-sided insert	\$50	-	-	-
Double-sided insert	\$80	-	-	-

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 Tamra Hood

Sergeant-at-arms Jim Buchanan

Hospitality/Publicity Director Eleanor Schrandt

Public Relations Steve Slocum

Dance Director Lisa Brink

Appointed coordinator:

Contest Coordinator Marta Buchanan

Newsletter Editor Jane until someone else steps in

New Members

Lucy Barraza

Board Meeting Date Yet to be Set

Get in FREE during the week of your Birthday

OK, ONE MORE 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

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

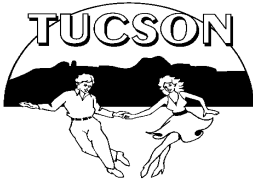
Open Dancing - 7:00 to 10:00PM

For more information call the hotline

(602) 269—5657

or visit the website

www.gpsdc.com



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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.