

Tucson Swing Dance Club Newsletter



The Official Publication of the Tucson Swing Dance Club: Established 1977 by Rose Marie Burrell

President's Message

Hello Everybody!

It was great to see such a fantastic turnout for the Jack and Jill finals, and all the contestants put on a great show. It's always a treat to watch all the levels step it up a notch for the finals. You'll see photos in this newsletter as well as on our web site at

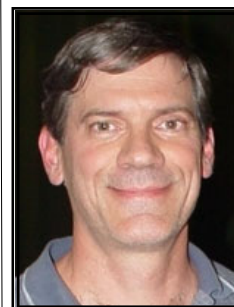
tsdc.net. Congratulations to all the finalists, and to our winners. I would like to highlight a few of our members who really put a lot of effort into making the contest happen: Marta Buchanan, our contest coordinator handled all of the logistics and organizing, and our VP, Ellen Colonna put together the technical side. Thank you, Marta and Ellen. Special thanks goes out to Bob Brown and Stan Erb from our sister club in Phoenix. Bob deejayed the evening dance and the contest, and Stan was our head judge. We had other behind-the-scenes volunteers as well including Shadow!,

ever present taking photos of the contest, Bill Wieboldt, shooting video, and our hospitality coordinator, Eleanor Schrandt. Thanks to all who volunteered their time and pulled off a great evening of dancing entertainment. On to our next dance season. I know you've been thinking about it, maybe this is the year you will take that big step and enter your first contest. It's difficult to imagine, but all our advanced dancers were at that point once. I, personally, have found it a great opportunity for personal growth. So, there's no time like the present. Go for it!!!

In this issue of the newsletter, as well as on our web site at tsdc.net, you will find our procedure for getting tested and qualified for competition, put together by our dance director, Lisa Brink. If you have any questions or concerns about getting started in competition, just talk to Lisa, or any other of our board members. Happy dancing,
Steve

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President
Steve Slocum

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TSDC 30th Anniversary Party

Thursday

September 20th

Live Band 'Blues Cubed'

Hawaiian Theme

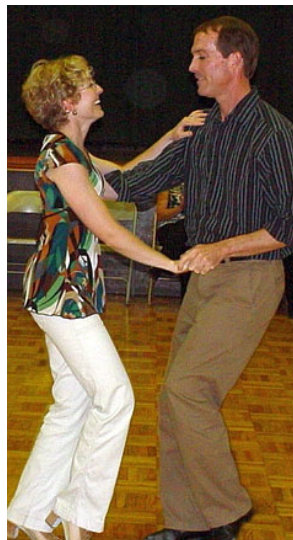
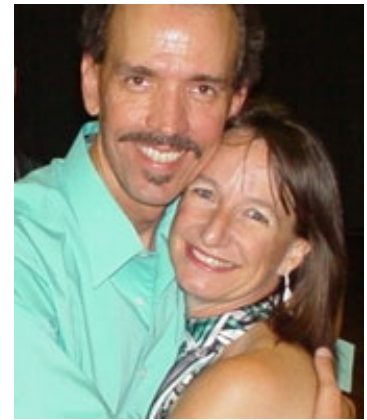
and

Pot Luck

Bring a Pot Luck Dish For Free Admission

Lessons as usual

Jack and Jill Finals Photos



Also Congrats to Out of Town Events

**Swingin' Summer Dance Camp
Palm Springs CA
Aug 2 - 5, 2007**

Members of our club
who placed in the competitions:

Wendy Miller,
5th place
Champions J&J

Tamra & James Hood,
1st place,
Advanced Strictly Swing

Mike Gadberry,
1st place,
Masters J&J



Photos by Shadow! Nightwing

Tucson Swing Dance Club Jack and Jill Finals Winners

Novice Finalists:

1st Place: Tom Fox and Christine Daum
2nd Place: Todd Crawford and Cathy Schreiber
3rd Place: Steve Slocum and Nikki Charns



Intermediate Finalists:

1st Place: Chris McLean and Heather McLean
2nd Place: Jim Davis and Brooke Schilling
3rd Place: Chris McLean and Jordan Taylor



Advanced Finalists:

1st Place: James Hood and Tamra Hood
2nd Place: Hondo Velasco and Jane Morgan
3rd Place: Don Bennett and Marta Buchanan



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Club History—ANNIVERSARY

The Tucson Swing Dance Club was Established in 1977 by our founder Rose Marie Burrell.

The idea of a dance club in Tucson came to Rose Marie after attending a West Coast Swing Dance Convention in San Diego, California. Rose Marie guided the club as President with a small group of dance enthusiasts while the club moved from place to place in an attempt to establish a home base.

The Tucson Swing Dance Club has been up and dancing at its current location for over a decade, with our current membership at approximately 150.

Our Anniversary Party will be September 20th.
This is a special event that you don't want to miss.
Live Band 'Blues Cubed'
This year's theme is a "Hawaiian PARTY"
Bring a potluck item and get in free.

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

Do you remember the intermediate pattern that was taught last week? How about the week before?

Go check out the lesson library on our website
www.tsd.net for a refresher on your favorite patterns.

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Vicki France 519-9342

**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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**Volunteer
Instructors
for the
Month
of
September:**

**Wendy Miller
And
James Hood**

September 6th

**1st
Jack and Jill Contest
of the New Season**

**Must have
membership to
compete**

**Jack and Jill
Contestant
Testing
Sign in 8pm
at the stage area**

**Testing
Thursday
September 27th
8:45 pm**

**National Swing Dance Website
www.swingdance.council.com**



Photo by ShadowI Nightwing

CONTEST EVALUATION PROCEDURE

1. All testing to be done on last Thursday of every month.
2. Results to be returned by 10:30 on the night of testing.
3. Evaluation sheet will be combination of Phoenix and Tucson evaluation sheets, to include evaluator's signatures.
4. Testing will be done on the stage in a formal environment, so as not to be interrupted by social dancing. Two evaluators will dance with the member who is testing in, while a minimum of one to three different evaluators observe. A minimum of three to five evaluators will fill out evaluation sheet. All members wishing to test in will do so in succession (i.e., no social dancing in between).
5. Coordination with DJ during evaluation process to ensure "appropriate" songs are played during testing (i.e., average beats per minute).
6. Sign-in sheet will be posted by 8:00 p.m. on the night of testing and testing will begin at 8:45 p.m.

September 2007

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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2	3	4	5	6 Jack n Jill contest Instructors Wendy Miller and James Hood DJ LP	7	8
9	10	11 Board Meeting 7pm Ellen's place	12	13 Instructors Wendy Miller and James Hood DJ Scott Miller	14	15 Happy Hour at the Maverick 7-9 pm <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>
16	17	18	19	20 30th Anniversary Party Blues Cubed Band	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 Jack n Jill Testing Instructors Wendy Miller and James Hood DJ Tamra	28	29
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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

September Birthdays

- Tamra Hood
9/8
- H. VanDenAssem
9/8
- Rose Marie Burrell
9/9
- Bruce Holland
9/9
- Peary Polley
9/11
- Victoria Bursott
9/16
- Todd Crawford
9/18
- Bonnie Scheibe
9/20
- Laurie Krupski
9/20
- Heather McLean
9/23
- Jane Morgan
9/26
- Connie Folsie
9/26
- Lynn Carpenter
9/29

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
Quarter page	\$14	\$27	\$50	\$68.50
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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 Heather

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 Morgan for one more
- Website Heather McLean

New Members

- Pamela Powers
- Harold Beatty
- Amy Koepke

**Board Meeting
Date September 11th
7pm: Ellen's place**

Get in FREE during the week of your Birthday

OK, ONE MORE newsletter.

Jim Davis will be your newsletter editor as of the November issue.

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

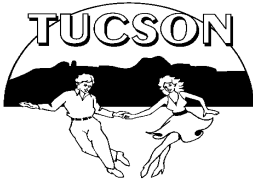
Open Dancing - 7:00 to 10:00PM

For more information call the hotline

(602) 269—5657

or visit the website

www.gpsdc.com



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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

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.