

The Tucson Swing Dance Club's March 2008

Newsletter

This month

James and Tamra Hood are March's volunteer dance instructors.

- Thursday, March 6th: Jack & Jill contest. L Perez is the DJ.
- Tuesday, March 11th: Board meeting.
- Thursday, March 13th: **St. Patrick's Day party.** Scott Miller is the DJ.
- Saturday, March 15th: Ad deadline for the April newsletter. Happy Hour at the Maverick, 6622 E Tanque Verde Road, from 7-9pm.
- Thursday, March 20th: Tamra Hood is the DJ.
- Thursday, March 27th: Joe Erker is the DJ. Jack & Jill testing for new contestants.



Wendy and Hondo

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President's Message

Hello again swing dancers! Serious issues to talk about this month:

1. The Board of Directors is losing some key folks: President, Dance Director, and Music Director for starters. The nomination meeting took place a few weeks ago, but it is not too late to get involved. This is your club. I encourage you to consider a position on the Board of Directors. Please e-mail me or any of the other board members.

2. Our board meetings are open to the membership. From time to time, critical decisions are made. We are currently in the process of making critical decisions. I encourage your attendance at the board meetings to help the board adequately represent the membership.

3. Our club is about dancing and music. It is our goal to provide a good atmosphere. It is not the place to come and promote any personal agendas. Personal agendas need to stay outside of the building. And that's all I'm gonna say about that.

We have a wonderful club. It will stay wonderful if we have a diverse group of volunteers come forward and if we keep our focus on the music, the dance, and our wonderful dance partner.

Sincerely,

Steve Slocum

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Nominees for the 2008-9 Board

- President: Bill Garrity
- Vice President: Jesse Dickson
- Treasurer: Don Bennett
- Membership Secretary: Robin Chlad
- Corporate Secretary: Heather McLean

The club runs on volunteer labor, and besides the elected positions there are many other opportunities to serve: the new board will appoint a Music Director, Dance Director, Hospitality Director, Publicity Director, Public Relations Director, Contest Coordinator, and newsletter editor. Any current board member will be glad to talk to you about what's involved, and how to get involved.

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February Jack & Jill results

- Novice: Kim Sundermeyer and Robin Chlad were in 1st place, Jeff Brucker and Robin Chlad were 2nd, and Don Adamavich and Terri Carter were 3rd.
- Intermediate: Tom Grubaugh and Heather McLean were in 1st place, Robert Grace and Giuliana Donnelly were 2nd, and Chris McLean and Rosanne Crago were 3rd.
- Advanced: Don Bennett and Wendy Miller were in 1st place, Ro Vaughn-Basden and Raquel Montanez were 2nd, and Scott Miller and Raquel Montanez were 3rd.



Kim, Robin, Jeff, Terri, and Don

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Heather, Tom, Giuliana, Robert, Rosanne, and Chris



Don, Ro, Raquel, and Scott

New members

Welcome Martha McLeod.

Birthdays

Members get in free the week of their birthday!

March 5th: Mathew Rounesville

March 6th: Ellen Colonna

March 8th: Jim Shiner

March 21st: Martha McLeod

March 25th: Mahnia Villazon

March 29th: Sherry Lotz

We play your music at **Dance Party Tucson**

Lessons: Beginner 6:30pm.

Intermediate/Advanced 7:15pm. Open Dance - 8pm. Cost: \$15 for the evening. **\$2 discount on admission for TSDC members.** 5000 square foot wooden dance floor!

Boys and Girls Clubs - 3155 E Grant (east of Country Country Club). Every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month.

www.dancepartytucson.com



Miro's dance studio

TSDC 2007-2008 Board

Steve Slocum is the President, Don Bennett is the Treasurer, Vicki France is the Membership Secretary, and Heather McLean is the Corporate Secretary.

The Music Director is Tamra Hood; Eleanor Schrandt is the Hospitality Director, Steve Slocum is the Public Relations Director, Bill Garrity is the Contest Coordinator and Publicity Director, Heather McLean runs the club website, Chris McLean is the club photographer, and Jim Davis edits the newsletter.

Dance lessons at the club

Each month the club's dance instructors teach the beginning patterns in West Coast Swing. Students may start the 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: Sugarpush, tuck throwout, turning basic.
- Fourth Thursday: Basic whip, whip with an inside turn, and whip with an outside turn.
- And in months with a 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.

About the TSDC

Founded in 1977 by Rose Marie Burrell, the Tucson Swing Dance Club holds dances every Thursday evening at the Tucson Woman's Club, 6245 E. Bellevue St. There are dances every Thursday except on Thanksgiving or other major holidays.

Club instructors teach a beginning lesson from 7-7:45pm and an intermediate lesson from 8-8:30pm, with dancing until 10:30pm.

Admission is \$3 for members and \$5 otherwise; annual memberships cost \$25 and run from January 1st through December 31st. With typically 50 dances a year, a membership can easily pay for itself! Members are also eligible to compete in the club Jack & Jill contests and can choose to get a printed copy of the newsletter. Anyone can read the newsletter online at www.tsd.net.

Questions? Call our hotline at 520 745-0255.

Ad rates

Email ads to tsdcnewsletter@gmail.com and send a check payable to the Tucson Swing Dance Club to TSDC, P.O. Box 32226, Tucson, AZ 85751

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St Patrick's Day Party

March 13th

Wear green!