

Swingcopations

Short and sweet from the President

Hello Dancers,

Have you read the TSDC Bylaws lately? Section 1.01.A of the Bylaws reads:

“The Tucson Swing Dance Club is a nonprofit organization established to promote West Coast Swing dancing and to provide for its growth and development in the community and elsewhere.” I love that line! And we have been doing just that for 26 years.

In keeping with the promotion of West Coast Swing dancing, TSDC is very blessed to have some of the best instructors from around town teaching for a month at a time at our Club. And they’re doing it for us on a voluntary basis because of their love for the dance. Having a variety of instruction is an incredible

opportunity for students to learn and to find their niche. Almost every instructor words things differently and/or has their own opinions about patterns, movement, et cetera. What a great way to find the perfect fit, taking away a little piece from every lesson, from every teacher, and creating a style all your own. Even when we think we know it all, there’s always more to learn!

Just a quick note to mark your calendars for October 30th, our annual Halloween party, complete with costume contest! And please check out the attached flyer regarding USABDA’s special event, Dancing in the Park, on October 18th.

Peace and harmony,

— Ellen



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September Jack & Jill winners

Novice: Connie Luttrell and Al Sipes were in 1st place, Jo Getchen and Josh Holden finished 2nd, and Christa Devitt and Martin Fricke were in 3rd place.

Intermediate: Maryanne O'Shaughnessy and Jim Davis came in 1st place, Rosanne Crago and Jim Davis were in 2nd place, and Autumn Bear and Danny Carlson finished in 3rd place.

Advanced: Wendy Lowe and Harvey Dong finished in 1st place, while Jane Morgan and Jim Buchanan were in 2nd place and Danielle Sainz and Hondo Velasco were in 3rd place.

*Welcome
October's guest
dance
instructors,
Jesse Dickson
and Autumn
Bear!*

Make your plans for the Christmas party

It's too early to deal with Christmas advertising but it's not too early to plan to attend the TSDC 2003 Christmas Party. By December your calendar will be full, so set aside Saturday night, December 13th, right now.

This year Marta Buchanan, our Christmas Party coordinator, has reserved space at the Tucson Convention Center. We'll have a big dance floor and a late-night breakfast buffet, and the TSDC deejays will play into the early morning hours.

Tickets will be on sale starting this month; \$25 for members who buy in advance and \$30 for nonmembers, or anyone who buys a ticket at the door. Members will also get free parking at the Tucson Convention Center. You can buy your tickets from Jane at the front desk.

The Christmas party always draws a big crowd from Tucson and beyond so come join us!

— Jim Davis

HALLOWEEN PARTY OCTOBER 30TH



COSTUME CONTEST, FUN AND FRIGHTS!

October birthdays

Virginia Parchment	October 4th	Shadow Nightwing	October 21st
James Sebastian	October 5th	Jeff Kreamer	October 22nd
L Perez	October 6th	Trish Fowler	October 23rd
Don Adamavich	October 10th	Kathleen Xiel	October 23rd
Jennifer Rubio	October 11th	Paul Pisarik	October 23rd
Debbie O’Sullivan	October 16th	John McLaughlin	October 26th
Dona DeClusin	October 16th		
Keith Topham	October 17th		
Bill Weiboldt	October 19th		
Kimberly Staar	October 19th		

Dancing is wonderful training for girls; it’s the first way you learn to guess what a man is going to do before he does it.

— Christopher Morley

New members:
Connie Luttrell
Danielle Sainz
Steve Madsen
Robert Varela

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

ON SALE NOW.

SUPPORT TSDC AND SCOOP UP DISCOUNTS!

Dance lessons at the club

Each month the club dance instructors teach the beginning patterns in West Coast Swing. Students can 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, though beginning students are welcome to watch the intermediate class and stay for the open dance afterwards.

Intermediate classes teach pattern variations, combinations, and syncopations beyond the basics.

You can now make a tax-deductible donation to the club. See the club Treasurer for details.

Dance spots

Cactus Moon	748-0049
DV8	885-3030
The Keys	888-8084
Smugglers Inn	296-4551
Studio West	747-9464

Dance motion for West Coast Swing class every Monday night from 7-8 pm. Contact Wendy Lowe, 318-9236.

Intermediate WCS lesson every Monday night from 8-9 pm. Contact L Perez, 792-2067.

Swingzone	290-2990
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Beginning WCS lesson from 7-8pm and an intermediate lesson from 8-8:30pm every Wednesday night.

Westward Look	297-1151
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Greater Phoenix Swing Dance Club, 4853 E. Thomas Rd., Phoenix

Beginning WCS lesson every Sunday night from 5-7 pm; open dancing until 10pm. <http://www.gpsdc.org>

Dance spot information is provided as a service to TSDC members and is not an endorsement.



Private Swing Dance Lessons

For All Levels

Men's and Women's Body Styling and Technique

Syncopations

Lead/Follow Connection

Ellen Colonna

469-7263

TSDC 2003-2004 Board

Elected positions:

Ellen Colonna, President

Swngdans@aol.com

548-6777

Bill Garrity, Vice President

Elly Cummings, Treasurer

Jo Getchen, Membership Secretary

DanceMe@cox.net

Darian Barrett, Corporate Secretary

Appointed directors:

Jim Buchanan, Music Director

Al Henderson, Sergeant-at-arms

323-7547

Wayne Scheibe, Hospitality director

Appointed coordinators:

Linda de la Torre, Jack & Jill coordinator

Carrie Rodriguez, Web site coordinator

L Perez, Judges coordinator

Jim Davis, Newsletter editor

jaydavis1@earthlink.net

Basic

West Coast Swing Lessons

By Al Henderson and Jane Morgan

6-week class at Robinson's May

El Con Mall 3rd floor — Oasis Center

7-9 pm Mondays

520 206-6468

**Refer to the Pima Community College Catalog for
class registration dates.**

Partners not required

***Change of
address?
Contact the
Membership
Secretary and
keep the
newsletter
coming!***

Tucson Swing Dance Club

P.O. Box 32226
Tucson, Arizona
85751-2226

TSDC hotline: 520 745-0255
www.tsd.net

Upcoming Events

- ◆ TSDC 14th annual Christmas Party, December 13th, at the Tucson Convention Center. Featuring a large dance floor and a late-night breakfast buffet. Tickets are on sale now!
- ◆ GPSDC New Year's Eve Party, December 31st.
- ◆ Due to the holidays there will be no club dance on November 27th, December 25th, or January 1st, 2004, all of which fall on a Thursday.



October 2003

Tucson Swing Dance Club

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Club dance DJ L Perez Jack & Jill contest	3	4
5	6	7 Board meeting, 7pm 1651 N. Nancy Rose	8	9 Club dance DJ Dez DiPaola	10	11 Happy Hour, 7-9pm The Keys 445 W. Wetmore Rd.
12	13	14	15	16 Club dance DJ Jim Buchanan	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 Club dance DJ Dez DiPaola	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 Club dance DJ Jim Buchanan Halloween Party	31	

6245 E. Bellevue Street • 520 745-0255 • www.tsdcl.net

Beginning lesson 7-7:45 pm • Intermediate lesson 8-8:30 pm • Dancing to 10:30 pm • October instructors Jesse and Autumn

Support TSDC by advertising in the newsletter. Send camera-ready ads (or a disc containing a Postscript or PDF file of your ad) and checks payable to the Tucson Swing Dance Club to:

TSDC
P.O. Box 32226
Tucson, Arizona 85751-2226

Or email a Postscript or PDF attachment of your ad to jaydavis1@earthlink.net

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Full page	\$40	-	-	-
Single-sided insert	\$50	-	-	-
Double-sided insert	\$80	-	-	-

Dancing In The Park 2003

A celebration of dance...



Saturday October 18th, 2003

7:30 pm Show (seating at 7:00 pm)

at Armory Park Senior Citizen Center, 220 S 5th Ave, Tucson

A dance show extravaganza featuring performances by many of the area's finest professional and amateur dancers in American & International Ballroom, Country, Swing, Folk, Nightclub, Argentine Tango, Salsa and other hot Latin dances and USABDA competitive and performance team dancers.

This 2nd annual show is presented by Southern Arizona Chapter of US Amateur Ballroom Dancers Association (USABDA) with this year's show proceeds (after show expenses) to benefit Casa de los Niños, helping protect our community's greatest natural resource: children.

Show Tickets \$35

Show Sponsorships \$100 (includes two show tickets)

Tickets and sponsorships available from USABDA members, on the web at <http://dancetucson.com/usabda>, or by phone at 770-9540.



For more information call 770-9540 or email DI TP@dancetucson.com.

Dress: Dressy-formal