

Swingcopations

Short and sweet from the President

Happy Holidays, Dancers!

You'd better post this month's Swingcopations calendar on your refrigerator, because there is a lot going on!

The holiday season is a time to express thanks and to celebrate life and love with family and friends. It's also a time to remember the less fortunate. As a group, we can make a difference in our community. We will be collecting donations for the food bank each Thursday in December. So please bring your nonperishable food donations to the Club.

Time is running out to purchase your tickets for TSDC's annual Christmas bash. There will be entertainment, a breakfast buffet and we will be dancing until 1:00 in the morning! Remember, you will save \$5 if you buy your tickets prior to December 13th. So put on the glitz and come party with us!

Wednesday, December 17th, is the TSDC Winterhaven Hayride. If you've never taken a tour through Winterhaven in December, it's a must see; an entire neighborhood glittering with lights and Christmas décor. We will be meeting at 7:30 pm at the NE corner of Ft. Lowell and Country Club. The wagon will be departing promptly at 8:00. Please make your reservations as soon as

possible through Rosanne, because seating is limited. The ride is only \$10. So bundle up and enjoy!

Backtracking to December 4th, we will be trying something new on contest night; an open Jack and Jill. Unlike the traditional J&J with novice, intermediate, and advanced designations, all divisions will be combined as one. For example, a novice male may draw an advanced female or an intermediate female may draw a novice male, et cetera. There will be prizes, but no points awarded. Come check it out!

We won't be having a Happy Hour dance this month due to the busy season, but we'll meet up again in January. And remember, there is no dance on December 25th... for obvious reasons.

Be safe and have very happy holidays!

Peace and harmony,

— Ellen



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November Jack & Jill winners

Novice: Vicki Christensen and Don Adamavich were in 1st place, followed by Rhoda Quijada and Don Adamavich in 2nd place and Kathy Wilsey and Al Sipes in 3rd place.

Intermediate: Brooke Schilling and Lars Odsather finished in 1st place, Maryanne O'Shaughnessey and Danny Carlson were in 2nd place, and Darian Barrett and Jim Davis were in 3rd place.

Advanced: Jane Morgan and Harvey Dong placed 1st, followed by Lisa Brink and Robert Vaughn in 2nd place and Marta Buchanan and Don Bennett in 3rd place.

The January Jack & Jill will be on the second Thursday instead of the first, since there is no dance on January 1st.

*Congratulations
to Roger
Belasco and
Dana Johnson
on their
wedding!*

A "Pointless" Jack & Jill for December!

December's Jack & Jill will be different — it's an Open Jack & Jill. That means

- ◆ It's open to any club member. You don't have to have competed before or qualify to enter this Jack & Jill.
- ◆ There are no divisions. You might draw the newest novice, or the most experienced advanced dancer. It's strictly luck of the draw.
- ◆ There will be no points awarded, but there will be the usual prizes for the first, second, and third place couples.

◆ It will be a lot of fun!

If you've wanted to try a Jack & Jill sometime then this is the month. It would be great to see a lot of new people sign up for this contest — and you may get a chance to dance with someone you haven't danced with before.

— Jim Davis

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December birthdays

Bob Pyevich	December 1st	Sharon Baseleie	December 22nd
Janice Barnes	December 1st	Marta Buchanan	December 22nd
Sheldon Ross	December 5th	Jim Buchanan	December 27th
Albert Banks	December 10th	Becky Bishop	December 27th
Robert Sanders	December 11th	Brooke Schilling	December 27th
John Goodpaster	December 12th	Alan Roberts	December 27th
Bill Gano	December 15th		
Dianne Lear	December 18th		
James Corneby	December 20th		
Gary Koeppel	December 20th		



Annual membership dues increase to \$25 in 2004! But if you're a current member, you can renew for 2004 at the old rate of \$20 if you renew your membership before December 31st, 2003.

New members:

Linda Kurick

Lars Odsather

Robert Spencer

Roy Markle

SPANISH GUITAR

LARRY MASON

DIFFERENT STYLES

(520) 622-7045



Help wanted!

Do you collect swing music? Do you like playing music for the enjoyment of dancers? Are you interested in becoming one of the prestigious TSDC DJ's?

Call Jim B. @ 603-1002 or see him Thursday at the Club for more information.

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.

Dance spots

Cactus Moon 748-0049

Desert Terrace 327-3405

Saturday December 6th and 20th:
intermediate WCS lesson at 7 pm
followed by open dancing until 10 pm.

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

Beginning WCS lesson from 7-8 pm and an intermediate lesson from 8-8:30 pm every Wednesday night followed by open dancing until 10:30 pm.

Westward Look 297-1151

Greater Phoenix Swing Dance Club, 4853 E. Thomas Road, 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.

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

Rosanne Crago, Publicity 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!*

Dance is music made visible

— George Balanchine

Tucson Swing Dance Club

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

TSDC hotline: 520 745-0255
www.tsdc.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.
- ◆ There will be no club dance on Thursday December 25th or Thursday January 1st, 2004.
- ◆ Winterhaven hayride on December 17th starting at 7:30pm. Make your reservations with Rosanne as soon as possible! \$10 per person.



December 2003

Tucson Swing Dance Club

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Club dance DJ Jim Buchanan Open Jack & Jill	5	6
7	8	9 Board meeting, 7pm 1651 N. Nancy Rose	10	11 Club dance DJ Jim Buchanan	12	13 Christmas Party
14	15	16 Winterhaven Hayride	17	18 Club dance DJ Jim Buchanan	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Christmas Day NO DANCE!	26	27
28	29	30	31 GPSDC New Year's Eve Party			

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

Beginning lesson 7-7:45 pm • Intermediate lesson 8-8:30 pm • Dancing to 10:30 pm • December instructors Ellen and Hondo

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
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Tucson, Arizona 85751-2226

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

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7:00PM to 1:00AM

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Exit I-10 at Congress; travel east to Church Street;
turn south (right) to entrance on right.***

TICKETS: \$25.00* In Advance / \$ 30.00* At Door
**price includes FREE parking for TSDC & GPSDC Members*

FOR TICKETS

At TSDC: See Jane at the front desk

At GPSDC: See Michelle Colbert

FOR TICKET INFORMATION

Ellen Colonna

(520)548-6777

Marta Buchanan

(520)603-5241

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

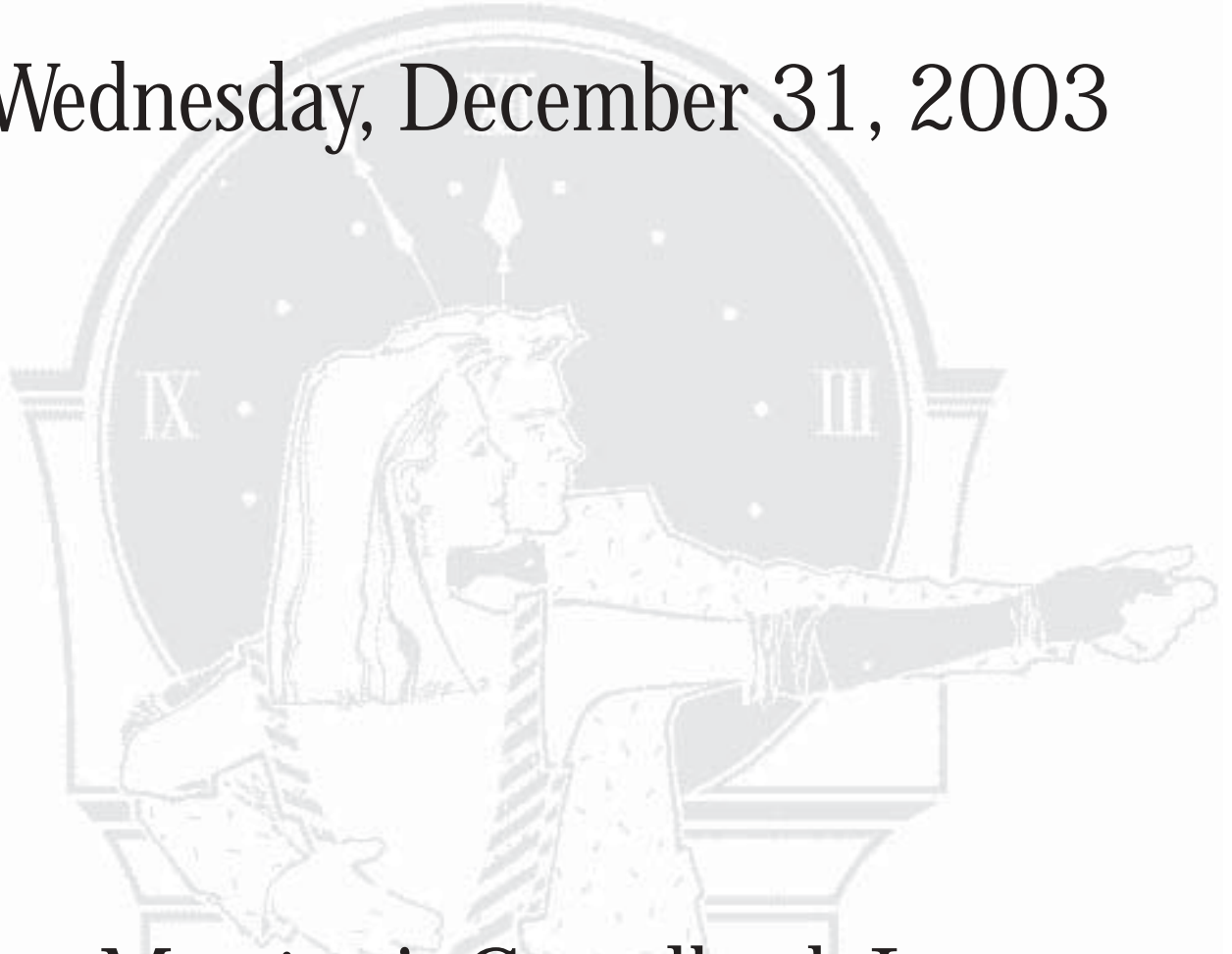
Radisson City Center (800)333-3333

Mention TSDC for \$79.00 single/double room rate

The Greater Phoenix Swing Dance Club

New Years Eve Dinner & Dance Party

Wednesday, December 31, 2003



Marriott's Camelback Inn

5402 E. Lincoln Drive, Paradise Valley, AZ

Cocktails 6:30-7:30, Sit down dinner 7:45, Dancing until 1:00am

\$50.00 member - open seating

\$60.00 nonmember - open seating

raffle prizes

Contact Michelle Colbert for tickets
(602)957-1204 or hospitality@gpsdc.org



Swing'n New Years

Dance Camp

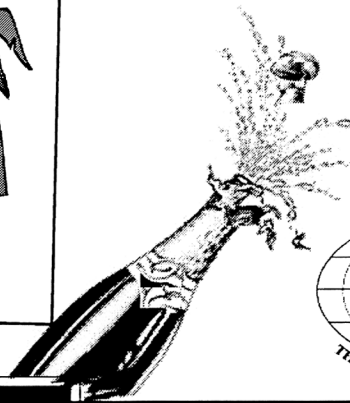
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Jaybdancer@aol.com
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AND Special Guest DJs
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A Few Of Our Star Guests:
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Wayne & Sharlot Bott,
Phill Adams, Benny Corpos
Miles Monroe & Tessa Cunningham
Jim Minty, Donnie Carl, Carrie Lucas, Pam Ford
Dez Di Paola, John & Brenda Koster
Al & Edie Espinoza, Chuck Brown, Jackie Ford
AND More to Come!
Event Coordinator: Cheryl Lyons