

# Swingcopations

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## Short and sweet from the President

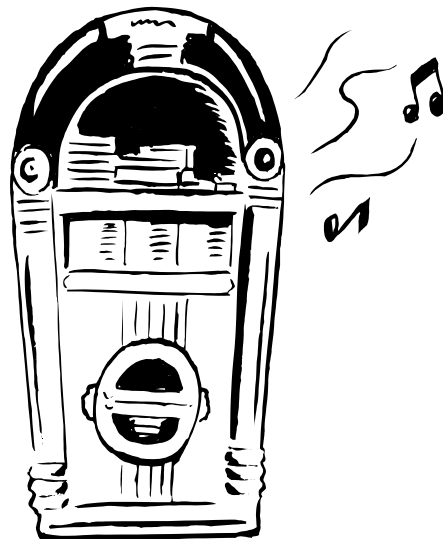
Hello Dancers! It is my pleasure to present to you the newest members of the TSDC Board. Jim Davis is our Newsletter Director; Wayne Scheibe is our Hospitality Director; Al Henderson is continuing as Sergeant at Arms; and Jim Buchanan is our Music Director. We were also lucky enough to fill several coordinator positions last month. L. Perez is continuing as Judges Coordinator; Linda De La Torre is Jack and Jill Coordinator; Carrie Rodriguez is continuing as Web Site Coordinator; and Marta Buchanan is our Christmas Party Coordinator. For those curious few, director positions are appointed and then voted on by the Executive Board and coordinator positions are voted on by the entire Board. We welcome you all and truly appreciate your volunteering your time and expertise to the Club.

Mark your calendars! Remember, we only have two months left, June and July, of the current Jack and Jill contest season. The July contest will be held on the second Thursday in July (July 10th) rather than the usual first Thursday. And

there will be no dance on July 3rd due to the 4th of July convention in Phoenix. What a great opportunity for you all to check out the Phoenix convention for one night. You can attend their pre-convention dance for \$5 on Thursday night even if you don't have a ticket for the weekend. See their Web site ([www.gpsdc.org](http://www.gpsdc.org)) for details. Also, please note the Jack and Jill finals will be held August 7th.

That's all for now,  
Peace and harmony!

— Ellen



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## May Dance Mash

The weekend of May 3rd and 4th was May Dance Mash sponsored by the Greater Phoenix Swing Dance Club and organized really well by Rick Tadra. A number of folks from Tucson attended along with over 300 other dancers. It was a really exciting weekend with four workshops per hour on both Saturday and Sunday, including Lindy Hop, Progressive 2-step, Waltz, Salsa, Balboa, Cha-Cha, Charleston, Shim-sham, Tango, Hustle, Nightclub 2-Step, Rumba, Bolero, and lots and lots of West Coast. There were also Judging Seminars, Anatomy of a Song, How to Write Down Patterns and Syncopations and a great workshop on Body Isolations. Our new President and Dance Director, Ellen Colonna, as well as other Tucsonans Jesse Dickson (assisted by the lovely Dayna Miles), Dez DiPaola, and Wes Kent were among the many workshop instructors. Ellen's workshop was on WCS Hot Patterns, Jesse's workshop featured a very leadable move, Dez focused on body isolations and stylings that individuals can do with side passes, underarm turns and sugar pushes, and Wes and Cheryl did a great

job teaching a move and showing how to dance it to several different styles and tempos of music.

Along with an open dance, there was a Showcase on Saturday night that featured 28 90-second routines with an incredible amount of diversity and variety. There were relatively new dancers performing with their instructors, a couple of teams doing West Coast and Argentine Tango, as well as champions delighting the crowd. Two young women did a 20's Charleston routine in fabulous red flapper costumes. Another exciting routine was a Lindy/Charleston routine done by Nick & Shannon from Las Vegas. One of my personal favorites was a beautiful routine choreographed to Norah Jones's song, *Don't Know Why*, and performed with grace and elegance by Wes Kent and Lisa Scott.

The Sunday night dance included a Mix 'n' Match Jack & Jill. In each round, there was a Lindy follower with a West Coast follower and a West Coast leader

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## May Jack & Jill winners

**Novice:** Don Adamovich and Krista DeVitt took 1st place, Rohn Brown and Krista DeVitt were in 2nd place, and Martin Fricke and Rosanne Crago finished in 3rd place.

**Intermediate:** Ron Gonzales placed 1st with Maryanne O'Shaunassey, Sheldon Ross and Maryanne O'Shaunassey took 2nd place, and Jim Davis and Shirley

Murray finished in 3rd place.

**Advanced:** Hondo Velasco and Jane Morgan finished in 1st place, followed by Roger Belasco and Ellen Colonna in 2nd place and Don Bennett and Dana Johnson in 3rd place.

All the club members wish Moody Denison a speedy recovery from surgery!

## June Birthdays

June 2nd	Harvey Dong
June 5th	Martin Rubio
June 9th	James Ponce de Leon
June 10th	David Pena
June 13th	Lon Hood
June 19th	Ashley Ganote
June 22nd	Norma Sebastian
June 23rd	Steven Suddereth
June 24th	Jim Tigges
June 28th	Ron Satterfield
June 30th	Sherril Geer

**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

7-9pm Mondays  
520 206-6468

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

Partners not required

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## May Dance Mash

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with a Lindy follower. Each couple danced to two songs, a Lindy and a West Coast. The highlight of the competition in terms of humor was Kevin Finley, who rolled up his jeans for the Lindy dance. Check out the GPSDC website ([www.gpsdc.org](http://www.gpsdc.org)) for photos. Tucson shined in this event with Jesse placing first and Dez second.

For those of you who have not had the opportunity to attend a convention yet, or those who don't have the time or money to travel to conventions regularly, it's great to take advantage of an opportunity like this May Dance Mash weekend. It combines close proximity, really reasonable cost (\$5 per workshop and \$10 for the evening dances), and

Jane Morgan reminds us that no matter how much you think you already know, you can always learn something new. The Greater Phoenix Swing Dance Club meets every Sunday with lessons starting at 5 p.m. and dancing from 7-10p.m. It's really worth the drive up to go at least once a month to broaden your dancing experience

— Rosanne Crago

**New members:**  
**Lee Ann Jones**  
**Don Hastings**  
**James Grootegoed**  
**Kathy Wilsey**  
**Candy Perkins**



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— *Jim Davis*







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# June 2003

## Schedule of Events

- June 5. Club dance; Jack and Jill contest at 8:30pm. DJ LP
- June 11. TSDC board meeting at 7pm, 1651 N. Nancy Rose
- June 12. Club dance, DJ Jim Buchanan
- June 19. Club dance, DJ Dez DiPaola
- June 21. Happy Hour at The Keys, 445 W. Wetmore Road, from 7-9pm
- June 22. GPSDC Jack and Jill Finals in Phoenix
- June 26. Club dance, DJ Jim Buchanan
- July 3. No dance
- July 10. Jack and Jill contest at 8:30pm — moved from July 3rd
- August 7. TSDC Jack and Jill Finals
- September 25. TSDC 26th Anniversary party
- November 27. No dance
- December 25. No dance
- January 1, 2004. No dance

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 Intermediate lesson from 8-8:30pm.  
 Open dancing until 10:30pm  
 June dance instructors LP and Spider

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