

# Swingcopations

## Short and sweet from the President

Hi Dancers!

Finals are here, finally! Don't miss TSDC's season finale Jack and Jill contest on August 21st. The finalists are listed on Page 2. Our competitors have danced their feet off all year long, putting on a show for you every month and this will be their last performance for the 2002/2003 season. So please come and support them!

Have you noticed the new sound coming from the stage? Thank you to our music director, Jim Buchanan, for putting together a new sound system for TSDC. All the better to dance to, my friends! Remember, our DJs always take requests. So feel free to tell them what you want to hear.

Join us for Happy Hour at the Keys on August 23rd at 7pm. Don't be shy. It's a great social event; the perfect opportunity to meet other dancers and practice your new moves... and even your old moves. Thank you again, Rosanne, for your hard work in the Happy Hour department. Rosanne has been researching locations for future Happy Hours, so if you have any suggestions, please let her know. If you don't know Rosanne, she's the one who is always smiling.

Please mark your calendars for September 25th, Tucson Swing Dance Club's 26th anniversary party. Guaranteed to be a blast!

Peace and harmony!

— Ellen

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## Jack & Jill Finals August 21st

Our Jack & Jill season ends August 21st with the top couples in the Novice, Intermediate, and Advanced divisions competing in the 2003 Jack & Jill Finals.

Starting last September, leaders and followers were awarded points for placing in the club's monthly Jack & Jill contests. Now the leaders and followers with the most points over the season will compete for trophies.

The Jack & Jill Finals are one of the club's most popular events and one of the best-attended nights, too. Come and cheer on the dancers!

**Novice Finalists:** Leaders Don Adamavich, Ken Black, Martin Fricke, Al Sipes, Rohn Brown, and Shadow Nightwing; Josh Holden is the alternate. Followers Rosanne Crago, Rhoda Quijada, Christa Devitt, Jo Getchen, Virginia Parchment, and LeeAnn Jones; Monica Bracamonte and Liza Breeden are the alternates.

**Intermediate Finalists:** Leaders Jim Davis, Sheldon Ross, Martin Rubio, Ron Gonzales, and Danny Carlson. Followers MaryAnn O'Shaughnessy, Darian Barrett, Shirley Murray, Jennifer Rubio, Deanna Severance, and Brooke Schilling; Autumn Bear is the alternate.

**Advanced Finalists:** Leaders Hondo Velasco, Don Bennett, Harvey Dong, Roger Belasco, Robert Vaughn, and Bob Brown; David Duarte and Jim Buchanan are the alternates. Followers Jane Morgan, Ellen Colonna, Michelle Phillips, Wendy Lowe, April Amstutz, and Lisa Brink; Dana Johnson is the alternate.

*Our sergeant at arms reminds everyone to keep valuables in cars out of sight in the Woman's Club parking lot.*

## July Jack & Jill winners

**Novice:** Jo Getchen and Shadow Nightwing took 1st place, Rosanne Crago and Josh Holden were in 2nd place, and LeeAnn Jones and Rohn Brown were in 3rd place.

**Intermediate:** Deanna Severance and Jim Davis finished in 1st place, followed by Brooke Schilling and Sheldon Ross in 2nd place and Dani Barrett and Ron Gonzales in 3rd place.

**Advanced:** Michelle Phillips and Robert Vaughn were in 1st place; Ellen Colonna and Don Bennett finished in 2nd place, and Jane Morgan and Hondo Velasco were in 3rd place.

## August Birthdays

August 5th	Ron Gonzales
August 12th	John Eldred
August 17th	Stephen Weining
August 18th	Bob Brown
August 20th	Terry Waters
August 21st	Chris McLean
August 23rd	Mary Lee Vergara
August 24th	Don Bennett
August 24th	Mike Zimmerman
August 24th	Regina Beaulieu
August 25th	Edith Allen
August 29th	Jenny Abrams Wilson
August 31st	Gary Downard

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

(Paid advertisement 10/12)

## The 4th of July Convention

Tucsonans trekked to the Camelback Marriott in Scottsdale for the 22nd annual Phoenix 4th of July convention. Hard-working organizers from the Greater Phoenix Swing Dance Club, helped by many volunteers, put together a great event. Workshops, competitions, late night social dancing (with two late night buffets), and socializing by the pool — the only thing you won't get at Phoenix is sleep!

The Phoenix convention attracts top competitors from around the country for their Jack & Jill contests. Tucsonans usually do well at Phoenix and that continued this year:

**Robert Vaughn** and **Darian Barrett** took 1st place in a very tough Novice division, **Wendy Lowe** and Glen Miller finished 4th in the Intermediate division, and **Wesley Kent** and Stephanie McHenry placed 2nd in the Advanced division. **Jesse Dickson** and Melanie Wong took 5th place in the All Stars competition. **Spider Perez** was a finalist in the Masters division, **Lisa Brink** was a finalist in the Intermediate division, and **Autumn Bear** was an alternate for the Novice finals. And **Jeannie Tucker** helped judge many of the competitions.

— Jim Davis

### *New members:*

*Irina  
Chausovskya*

*Rusty Cline*

*Steve Slocum*

## 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.

*Entertainment  
Books will be  
on sale at the  
club for \$35 in  
August.*

## Tucson dance spots

Cactus Moon 748-0049

DV8 885-3030

The Keys 888-8084

Savoy Opera House 296-4551

Beginning/intermediate WCS lesson  
the first Wednesday of each month  
from 7-7:45 pm.

Smugglers Inn 296-3292

Studio West 747-9464

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

Swingzone 290-2990

Beginning WCS lesson every  
Wednesday night from 7-8 pm.

Westward Look 297-1151

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

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make a tax-  
deductible  
donation to the  
club. See the  
club treasurer  
for details.*

**T**here is a bit of insanity in  
dancing that does  
everybody a great deal of good.

— Edwin Danby

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## Upcoming Events

- ◆ TSDC 26th Anniversary Party, September 25th.
- ◆ TSDC 14th annual Christmas Party, December 13th, at the Tucson Convention Center. Featuring a large dance floor and a late-night breakfast buffet.
- ◆ 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.

# August 2003

*Tucson Swing Dance Club*

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

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Beginning lesson 7-7:45 pm • Intermediate lesson 8-8:30 pm • Dancing to 10:30 pm • August instructors Robert Vaughn and Lisa Brink

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