

# Swingcopations

## Short and sweet from the President

Hello Dancers,

So many thank-yous, so little space. For starters, I want to thank the TSDC Board of Directors for its continued dedication to keeping the Club running smoothly. This is an amazing group of people, really focused on working together for you, the members. I want to welcome two new board members to the team.

Darian Barrett is our new corporate secretary and Rosanne Crago is now our publicity director. Thank you, Darian and Rosanne, for donating your valuable time and energy!

I also want to thank the Jack and Jill Committee, under the guidance of Linda D, for doing such a great job in putting together our Jack and Jill Finals. Congrats to all of our competitors for putting on a great show August 21st. And thank you to all of you who showed up to cheer us on and fill the room with excitement! The music, put together by Jim Buchanan, LP, and Dez, was a big hit. And a big thanks to our head judge, Jeannie Tucker, and her team of judges, Louis Rojo, Terry Waters, Marta Buchanan, Richard McMurrich, Dawn McMurrich, L Perez, and Spider Perez. I hope I'm not forgetting anyone!

I hope you all will be joining us on September 25th for the TSDC's 26th Anniversary Party. Wayne, our hospitality director, is planning a

real celebration for us. There will be food, fun contests, friends and, of course, dancing! What more could you ask for? Last year's party was a bunch of fun, so don't miss it. See the flyer for more details.

Please note that the annual dues will be increasing to \$25. But if you renew your membership before January 1st, the cost will be only \$20. And if you're not yet a member, and you sign up now, you get the remainder of this year, plus next year's membership for only \$25. So sign up now! And you may have noticed a stack of Entertainment Books at the front desk. These books are full of coupons for food, entertainment, and more. Check them out. You can purchase one from Jane for \$35.

That's all for now.

Peace and harmony!

— Ellen



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## The 2003 Jack & Jill Finals

The 2002-2003 Jack & Jill season ended August 21st with the top six leaders and followers in the Novice, Intermediate, and Advanced divisions competing before an enthusiastic audience. Rosanne Crago decorated the tables and stage and designed the programs, while Emcee Parker Antin and the event organizers kept things moving briskly.

**Novice:** Rosanne Crago and Al Sipes took 1st place, Virginia Parchment and Don Adamavich were in 2nd place, and Lee Ann Jones and Shadow Nightwing were in 3rd place.

**Intermediate:** Brooke Schilling and Danny Carlson finished in 1st place, Deanna Severance and Jim Davis were in 2nd place, and Darian Barrett and Jim Davis took 3rd place.

**Advanced:** Ellen Colonna and Hondo Velasco came in 1st place, followed by Michelle Phillips and Robert Vaughn in 2nd place and Jane Morgan and Harvey Dong in 3rd place.

While one season ended, another starts this month. Any club member who knows the basic patterns in West Coast Swing can start competing in the Novice division. More advanced dancers may be qualified to start in the Intermediate or Advanced divisions.

Competing in the Jack & Jill contests can seem intimidating at first, but it's a great way to improve as a dancer. If you sat on the sidelines last season then now's the time to get up and dance!

— Jim Davis

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## September Birthdays

Parker Antin	September 3rd
Darian Barrett	September 5th
Rose Marie Burrell	September 9th
Leighton Skov	September 9th
Moody Denniston	September 10th
Christa Devitt	September 10th
Tom White	September 14th
Julian LiMonta	September 17th
Bonnie Scheibe	September 20th
John Groel	September 22nd
Virginia Alvarez	September 22nd
Jennifer Goff	September 22nd
Frank Montez	September 23rd
Heather McLean	September 23rd
Teri Massillo	September 25th
Mary Kay Vasey	September 25th
Shirley Murray	September 25th
Jane Morgan	September 26th
Robert Firl	September 27th

### 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

***New members:***

***Karen Copus***

***Dennis Crotts***

***Thomas  
Sorenson***

## There ain't no cure for the summer time blues...

but Summer Dance Camp sure was fun! Jay Byam's Summer Dance Camp was held in Palm Springs on August 14-17th. This is such a fun event. It's a small convention with lots of good dancers, lots of workshops and lots of competitions. It has the added attraction of being paired with Salsa Extravaganza, so you can get your feet wet on the salsa floor, too.

Many Tucsonans showed up and even distinguished themselves. Jesse Dickson and Dez DiPaola danced in the Champions Division. Darian Barrett, Lisa Brink, Jim Buchanan, and Harvey Dong made Intermediate J&J finals and Darian won first place. Marta Buchanan and Jane Morgan danced beautifully in a tough Intermediate prelim. Rosanne Crago and Wayne Scheibe danced in the Novice WCS Strictly Swing and looked great in the photos. Jesse Dickson and Autumn Bear crossed over to the salsa side, dancing together in the Amateur Open competition. Then Jesse took first and Autumn took third in the Intermediate Salsa Jack & Jill. Al Sipes and Connie and Bonnie Scheibe were there cheering fellow Tucsonans on.

Jim Buchanan spent quite a bit of time in the DJ booth providing fabulous music along with Steve Salazar and Beth Bellamy. Kyle & Sarah and Wayne & Sharlot were among the pros offering free workshops all weekend. Some of the other highlights were the Margarita Happy Hours and a great pool party on Saturday afternoon. This was a nice warm up for New Year's Dance Camp, which is not to be missed.

—Rosanne Crago



*"Entertainment Books are on sale now at the Front Desk!"*

## 2002–2003 Judges

These people volunteered their time over the last Jack & Jill season to judge the contests. Thank you all!

Phyllis Abrams	L Perez
Bob Brown	Spider Perez
Marta Buchanan	Louis Rojo
Rose Marie Burrell	Deanna Severance
Ellen Colonna	Bonnie Schafer
Elly Cummings	Jeannie Tucker
Moody Denniston	Hondo Velasco
Harvey Dong	Terry Walters
Tami Harris	
Dawn McMurrich	
Richard McMurrich	
Dave Pena	

## A Smokin' Deal

Here's the best membership offer you'll see all year! Our annual membership dues are \$25 for 2004. But if you're not yet a member, and you sign up **right now**, you can get membership for the rest of 2003 *and* all of 2004, for **only** \$25!

And if you're currently a member, renewing before 12/31/2003, you can renew at the current annual fee of only \$20!

Sign up now at the front desk!! This offer is only good through 12/31/2003.

— Jo Getchen

## 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
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.*

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

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



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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

206-6468

Wayne Scheibe, Hospitality director

**Appointed Coordinators:**

Linda de la Torre, Jack & Jill coordinator

Marta Buchanan, Christmas party coordinator

Carrie Rodriguez, Web site coordinator

L Perez, Judges coordinator

Jim Davis, Newsletter editor

jaydavis1@earthlink.net

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

***There are short-cuts to happiness, and dancing is one of them***

***– Vicki Baum***

## **Tucson Swing Dance Club**

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[www.tsdc.net](http://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.
- ◆ 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.



The Tucson Swing Dance Club invites you to our

# 26th Anniversary Party!

September 25th at 6245 E. Bellevue Street, from 7-10:30pm.

## Casual tropical theme

**POTLUCK DINNER**—bring a dish or bring \$3. It's all you can eat! Hot dogs & beans provided by the club. Dinner starts at 7pm.



**CONTESTS**— Blind Man's Bluff, Jill & Jack, Right to Right, Best Male and Female Theme Outfit.

**AND** the usual beginning dance lesson at 7pm and intermediate lesson at 8pm.



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## Tucson Swing Dance Club

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

6245 E. Bellevue Street • 520 745-0255 • [www.tsdc.net](http://www.tsdc.net)

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

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