

Swing Times



August 2022

**A Publication of the San Diego Swing Dance Club which was established
on May 10, 1970 by Paul Benton**



Dance Instructors for August David Rudgers & Anne Corazza

David and Anne have been dance partners since March 2019. They have performed on numerous dance teams including the US Open, traveled the country attending numerous West Coast Swing dance competitions, and continue their study under some of the best dancers in the world. David started partner dancing in ballroom with his wife Laura in May of 2013 under Nicole Wooding's instruction at Fred Astaire in Kearny Mesa. He also spent a year learning the International Ballroom Gold syllabus with Irina Chalkovitch. David discovered West Coast Swing in 2017 and has loved it ever since. Anne started her partner dancing in the salsa/bachata dance community of San Diego in 2000 and performed on numerous salsa and bachata dance teams for about ten years as a fun way to learn the dance and meet new friends. Anne discovered West Coast Swing in 2010 and fell in love with it immediately! You can also find Anne "DJRazza" spinning tunes at an occasional local dance. David and Anne especially love social dancing and are very pleased to be your West Coast Swing dance instructors for the month of August. You are guaranteed to learn some of the latest and greatest patterns in this innovative and constantly growing dance style, as David insists, "It's not a mistake, it's a variation!" Anne's passion for dance can be summed up in her favorite quote, "Life without dance would be a mistake."

"So be sure to join them every Sunday afternoon promptly at 1:30 for a one hour free lesson which is included in the price of admission. Immediately following the lesson from 2:30 to 5:00, you can practice your new dance patterns with some of the most experienced dancers in the city. This is a great time to bring that friend you've always wanted to introduce to your favorite dance style; we certainly encourage growing our San Diego Swing Dance family. Looking forward to seeing you there.



A Few Words from Our President Vinh

Wow, wow, wow, I am truly amazed at the attendance this last month. We have been consistently over 70 dancers and as of this writing we hit over 90 dancers at the last dance.

We've seen a lot of new faces checking us out for the first time and an influx of new memberships. People from out of town are also discovering the club as they journey through San Diego. Make sure you introduce yourself to the new people and catch a dance with them to help them feel welcomed, it'll go a long way in growing our club. Let's continue to leave our judgements and politics at the door and come together as a community with a shared passion for dancing. Thank you everyone for your efforts and continued support of the San Diego Swing Dance Club.

Attention! Our Club is in urgent need of a webmaster! If you have experience and could volunteer a little of your time, please contact one of the members on the board listed on the following page.

Welcome new members:

Patty Callan, Paul McKenzie, and Marlynn Peak,

Coming events in and around the San Diego Swing Dance Club

Join us every Sunday afternoon promptly at 1:30PM for a dance lesson, followed at 2:30PM by open dancing until 5:00PM

Aug 7th West Coast Swing Instructor David Rudgers & Anne Corazza
Aug 14th: West Coast Swing Instructor: David Rudgers & Anne Corazza
Aug 21st : West Coast Swing Instructor: David Rudgers & Anne Corazza
Aug 28th : End of month Workshop Instructor: Sharlot Bott

**First Sunday of the month
we will teach another
dance. This month it will
be the West Coast Swing**

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2022-2023
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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS
NEXT MEETINGS ARE:
Aug 7th: 12:30 pm
Sept 4th: 12:30 pm**

Location: Dance Headquarters
5035 Shawline St
San Diego, CA 92111

All members welcome.
If you wish to address the Board you must be on the agenda one week prior to the meeting. Members may approach any of the Executive Board members to be placed on the agenda.



A Few Words From our Activities Director

Mary Manzella

Hello Dancers,

Wow! We had 90 people at "The Club" last Sunday! Lots of new faces. Please make our guests feel welcome. If they are new dancers and just attended the beginner's class, it would be a nice gesture to ask them to dance and just lead the basics with them. Ladies, you can back lead the timing of basics for the men. If they are shy, then at least introduce yourself and have a short conversation and welcome them. They will go home and remember how wonderful you are and the great hospitality at our "Club."

We also had 14 new and excited people in the basic class. My partner, Robert and I taught this class at the same time, 1:30, as the advanced basic class taught by Maria and Larry. We hope to continue this new class format. Please invite your non-dancer friends to join us on Sundays. There will be a basic class for them.

Maria and Larry are teaching fabulous lessons including much needed technique.. If you have been gone for a while, come check us out. We are on a roll.

T-SHIRT Day will be held on the 21st of August. Please mark your calendar. Remember, anyone wearing a vulgar, political or in any way inappropriate T will be asked to change. If in doubt, bring an alternative article of clothing.

Also, there is now a Suggestion Box at the DJ booth for your song suggestions and comments. Remember, if you have a request, it may take several songs before it is played. Our DJ's are very interested in giving you the best dance experience on Sundays. Please be kind and respectful.

Next Sunday July 31 is our special workshop with Benji Schwimmer. Be sure to mark on your calendar to arrive by 1:00-1:15 to give our wonderful receptionist, Chris, time to register everyone before 1:30.

Also, on that day ONLY, the Club will end at 4:00. Shawn has a Showcase that evening and needs time to get the studio ready.

Ladies, every dance is a Ladies' choice! Let's Dance and have Fun!

If you have changed your phone number or email address in the last few months please provide us with your up-dated information for our records.

Let us know if you would like to receive your newsletter by email



Our July Dance Instructors Maria Tee and Larry Glendenin



Larry and Maria brought us a Cha Cha lesson on the first week in July; the following second and third week, they taught us some of their favorite WCS techniques. What we learned we immediately took to the floor.



We finished off the month with a special guest workshop by the extraordinarily accomplished dancer, Benji Schwimmer.



Having Fun on and off the Dance Floor



Declan Cordova, pictured above in his Independence Day finest, supplied the club with tasty patriot cupcakes - thanks Declan!



Friendship is a never ending supply of GREAT conversations



P.O. Box 923
El Cajon, CA 92022

August and September Birthdays

August

- 03 Jose DeLuna
- 06 Jon Wright
- 10 Valerie McPherson
- 16 Larry Armstrong
- 17 Pamivash LaRocca
- 18 Charlie Bird
- 20 Sylvia Nielsen



September

- 01 John Bowman
- 01 Gloria Mellizo
- 01 Connie Muther
- 03 Jim Schaeffer
- 04 Gunnar Haugo
- 08 Olga Aceshin
- 08 Art Gallo
- 13 David Finegold
- 15 Rina Bessudo
- 16 Dana Sperton
- 17 Pamivash LaRocca
- 25 Garry Bowman
- 27 James Bound
- 29 Magaret Fazio

About SDSDC:

The San Diego Swing Dance Club is a private, non-profit organization. Its specific and primary purposes are to enjoy, promote, preserve, encourage, and teach West Coast Swing. Members receive discounts to weekly dances and special events and each issue of *Swing Times* newsletter. Club colors are red, white and blue and the first Sunday of each month is red, white and blue day. Wear the Club colors and be entered into a drawing for a free admission pass. If you haven't been to the Club dances in a while, stop by soon so you can continue to enjoy the dancing, fun, and friendliness that makes SDSDC so special. **One free admission to first-timers to the club, let them know at the door.**

See "Swing Times" in color!
www.sandiegoswingdance.com

The San Diego Swing Dance Club Inc.

The SDSDC meets on Sunday afternoon and is open to the general public. You may come with or without a partner. Admission is \$10.00 for members, and \$15.00 for non-members. 1st Sunday is a free Lesson in a Non-WCS dance. Mid-month Sundays are free WCS lessons. Last Sundays we have an intermediate workshop. (Lesson and workshop Schedule subject to change. Lesson is always prior to regular dance.)

(See Flyers posted of workshops for further information)

Classes: Sunday - Beginners 1:30 - 2:30 P.M.

Dances: Sunday 2:30 - 5:00 P.M.

Dance Headquarters
5035 Shawline St.
San Diego, CA 92111

SEE WEBSITE FOR
MAP & DIRECTIONS
www.sandiegoswingdance.com

HOTLINE PHONE (858) 274-6422

Membership Application

To join the San Diego Swing Dance Club
Complete the information below and mail to:
San Diego Swing Dance Club Inc.
P.O. Box 923, El Cajon, CA 92022

- New member \$35
- Newsletter subscription only ... \$15
- Renewal \$35
- Contact change no charge

Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Birth date (month/day) _____

Email _____

Newsletter: USPS email

How did you find us _____

