Swing Times



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A Publication of the San Diego Swing Dance Club which was established

Kelsey Lewis Will be the November Dance Instructor



Our club continues to reach out to the most popular dance personalities in the business in order to provide our members and guests with instruction from those with the most contemporary and accomplished credentials. This month we are fortunate to have Kelsey Lewis who has been dancing for over 10 years, instructing half that time, and is also a popular DJ throughout the Southern California area, well known

at such popular venues as Borderline Bar and Grill in Thousand Oaks, also line dancing bars and festivals including The Canyon Montclair, The Canyon Agoura Hills, The Canyon Santa Clarita, The Canyon Pasadena, Off Base Bar, Stampede, Borderline Saloon, The Event Center, and Tailgate Fest. She has also been part of the Stagecoach Line Dance team and the Southern Cali Comfort Stagecoach performance team the last two years. Additionally, she competes in UCWDC Couples dancing, Two Step, Waltz, Polka, Cha Cha, East Cast Swing, and West Coast Swing.



Shawn Torgerson is our celebrity instructor for the month. Shawn is the proprietor of Dance Headquarters and teacher by necessity with a high proficiency in a multitude of dance styles. His absolute favorite, however, is West Coast Swing, the dance that brought him initially to San Diego. It was here in 2005, where he

opened his first school in a room at the American Legion in Linda Vista. Currently in its present location, Dance Headquarters has now grown into one of San Diego's most successful, largest, and finest dance studios. With a specialty in club dances, Shawn is able to use his background in hip hop and breakdancing to create unique and cool pattern combinations that can be used in all partner social dancing. Teaching in San Diego since 1994, he possesses a true mastery of dance and knows how to make it fun and enjoyable during the learning process.

So again, this month provides a great opportunity to invite those family members and friends who have expressed an interest in learning to dance, and also a great time to take your own dance skills up a notch.



<u>November</u>

- 01 William Hebert
- 02 Alex Aleshin
- 02 Donald Walker
- 03 Barbara Ham
- 08 Kary Lynn Vail
- 09 Richard Smith
- 12 Kikue Ainslie
- 14 Brian Sussan
- 16 Joan Canonigo
- 18 Terry Ucitida
- 19 Belinda Young
- 21 Victoria Martin
- 22 David Gonzales
- 25 Micko Stegner
- 25 Sandi Muir
- 26 Patty Dalton
- 30 Howard Heilbrunn

December

- 08 Kathy Camper
- 17 Russell Hegyi
- 18 Chris Coulapides
- 21 Ron Shankles
- 22 Chris Marshall
- 25 John Nellans
- 25 Marlene Hunt
- 27 Jon Krause
- 29 Steve Templeton
- 30 Daniel Santos

Happy Birthday !!

Welcome new members:

Garry Schaeffer, Lone Bauman, Christine Williamson, Pat Pilger, Stacie Nowak, Taylor Federking, Richard Ortiz, Aspen Wakefield, Wayne Peleti, Guinare Omar.



Coming events in and around the San Diego Swing Dance Club

Join us every Sunday afternoon promptly at 1:30pm for a WCS or other type dance lesson, followed at 2:30pm by open dancing until 5:00pm

November 6th: Country 2 Step Instructor Kelsey Lewis
November 13th: West Coast Swing Instructor Kelsey Lewis
November 20th: West Coast Swing Instructor Kelsey Lewis
November 27th: West Coast Swing Instructor Shawn Torgerson

First Sunday of the month we will teach another dance. This month it will be the "Country Two-Step"

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS NEXT MEETINGS ARE:

November 6th: 12:30 pm December 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 President Vinh



Hello Fellow Dancers, the Holiday season has already snuck up on us. The SDSDC Board and I wish you all the best in this upcoming season and we have lined up some special dances for you. We are ending our October dance with a costume contest with prizes in various categories.

November, we will kick off our first dance on Sunday the 6th to celebrate our Veterans (Veterans Day Friday Nov. 11th). In

honor, we will have a display table and ask that our Veterans bring a picture of themselves in uniform. Members, please wear your Red, White, and Blue apparel to show your appreciation to our Veterans.

Dress to Impress, we will have our Holiday Dance on December 3rd at Dance Headquarters. Ticket prices are \$40 for Members and \$60 for Non-members. The menu items have been upgraded this year to include a full course of appetizers, meat/fish/vegetarian main courses, and desserts. There will also be a cash bar for beer and wine available, please drink responsibly. Get your tickets early, only 100 seats available (we will sell out). Tickets are now on sale; details will be posted.

The SDSDC is having a spectacular year. I want to thank every one of you for being a part of this success. And stay tuned......there's a lot more to come.

Grateful, Thankful and Blessed,

Vinh Mines

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Angie Gonzalez, our Club's Membership Coordinator

Our club continues to grow, and the administrative tasks grow with it, these involve adding names to several lists including lists of date of birth, date of membership, and email addressees. Keeping these all up to date requires work, and the work is unnecessarily complicated when membership information is illegible, omitted, or membership

renewals are obtained after expiration. Please help the front desk by observing the following protocol:

- 1. New members, please complete the blue membership application card legibly so the membership created can be accurately recorded.
- 2. Renewing members, please do so prior to expiration date, attach (blue) membership card to your checks describing the member to renew. On occasionally we receive checks with several names, please identify on the blue card the member being renewed.
- 3. We ask your date of birth solely for the purpose of wishing you a Happy Birthday when your month comes around, so we do not need to know the year of your birth.
- 4. Please let us know if any of your information changes.

Now, enjoy dance.

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<u>Thank You For Your Dedication</u>



As our club's October dance instructor, I would like to take a moment to thank "My Partners" James Bounds and Robert Soto for assisting me in a highly successful, and much enjoyed series of dance classes; we have such an



incredibly talented group of dancers in our club, and so generous to share with us their vast expertise. Thank you Jim and Bob! - Mary Manzella

There are two of our club members we would like to take a mo-



ment to recognize, and especially thank for their extraordinary commitment and labor in maintaining the club's upward growth and current success, our two DJs, Vinh Mines and Jody Kravitz.

Vinh not only DJ's bi-weekly, but provides advertisement for the club's many activities, and is the club's current Presi-

dent. Any one of these activities requires a considerable amount of time, skill, and commitment, then to excel at each, extraordinary!

FROM YOUR ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR MARY

Hello dancers, we are looking forward to the next couple of months. November 11th is Veterans Day so we will be honoring our dancing veterans Sunday, Novem-

ber 6th in a special way. armed forces, please we encourage you to blue for the occasion -



If you served in any branch of the join in. To show our appreciation, wear the attire of red, white and optional of course. Please bring a

photo of you in uniform if you have one , we'd like to post it on our poster board. We will return it right back to you.

We will also have a special treat to celebrate November Birthdays.





Our Christmas Dance Party, scheduled for Saturday, December 3rd, it will be held here at Dance Headquarters. The room will be exceptionally well decorated for the occasion. Attire is dressy. We ladies enjoy

seeing our handsome men in their finest suits. Ladies, this is the opportunity to wear your very glamorous short or long dress. DJ Jody will spin our music. Doors open at 6:00. No reserved seating. Arrive with your friends if you wish to sit together. Awesome buffet! Entertainment! Awesome music!

I will begin accepting checks, made out to the San Diego Swing Dance Club, or cash, exact amount please, beginning this Sunday at our Halloween party, \$40.00 members, \$60.00 non members. No tickets, your name will be put on the list.

Now, to our non-members, lets talk about money, everyone's favorite topic! Club membership is only \$35.00 for the entire year! By joining the club this Sunday, you save \$5.00 on the dance AND only pay \$40.00 for the Christmas dance instead of \$60.00. That's \$25.00 already saved with of your membership. Attend the club two more Sundays and your membership is now free. Such a deal!



Hope you will celebrate part of your Holidays with us! Mary Manzella Activities Director Also Jody who DJ's every other week, additionally serves as the club's new and already incomparable website master. He has migrated the website to a new "Content Management System" which makes the website easier to keep up-to-date and is mobile



friendly (i.e. it works correctly on small screens). The website's contents are up to date, and includes our Newsletters and Workshop postings. Jody promises to provide us in the future with new sections for Music and Activity announcements. Thank you Vinh and Jody, you're both incredible!



Please check out our San Diego Swing Dance Club web page regularly. You can use this QR code from your phone or type https://sandiegoswingdance.com into your browser.

Now let's dance...







Have you noticed incidentally how wonderfully joy-filled our "mixers" have been recently, every new partner is met with an enthusiastic "hi" and an accompanied smile. What follows are a few of those moments...













"Ladies down one please"

After the dance...













"or gather again at a favorite eatery"



Stop for a picture ..





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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. 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.

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 **SEE WEBSITE FOR**

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□ New member\$35 □ Renewal.....\$35

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