

# Swing Times



April 2019

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



Our Monthly New Dance on April 7th will be **Waltz** with **Bob and Suzie Avila** as your Instructors

April 14th and 21st, Bob and Suzie will be the basic West Coast Swing Dance Instructors.

Bob has always had a passion for dancing. Upon moving to California he was very successful in local dance contests and therefore, encouraged to be a dance Instructor. He taught at McVitties where

he enrolled in an extensive training program learning how to be a Dance Diagnostician, not just a Dance Teacher. While at McVitties, he mastered the Bronze and Silver level of dancing. Later he taught a new popular dance called "The Hustle" at various night clubs. After passing the "Gold level" of dancing, he began instructing teachers. Various studios would utilize him to train their teachers the art of "becoming a dance instructor" not just learning how to dance. One of his favorite dances became the West Coast Swing. The mastering of multiple dances has enabled Bob and Suzie to incorporate other dance moves into the West Coast Swing causing it to be an exceptional dance requiring the least effort on the dance floor.



**Jade Ruiz** will be our Workshop Instructor April 28, Sunday 3-4 pm

Jade fell in love with partnership dancing at 17. She has been competing and teaching for over

eleven years in ballroom dancing and seven years in West Coast Swing. Although she loves performing, her true passion is learning about the mechanics of dance and teaching others. Jade is always excited to teach. So be sure and put April 28th on your calendar and join Jade Ruiz's class.



Happy Easter, We will be dancing as usual



## **Coming events in and around the San Diego Swing Dance Club**

Join us every Sunday afternoon promptly at 3PM for a basic west coast swing dance lesson, followed at 4PM by open dancing until 6:30PM

April 7th: Wear Red, White, & Blue - Celebrate birthdays with cake and a drawing for free dance passes

April 7th: Waltz Instructor: Bob and Suzie Avila

April 14th: Bob and Suzie: Instructor for Basic West Coast Swing

April 21st: Easter Sunday: Bob and Suzie: Basic West Coast Swing

April 28th: Jade Ruiz: West Coast Swing Workshop Instructor

**First Sunday of the month we will teach another dance. This month it will be the "Waltz"**

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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS**

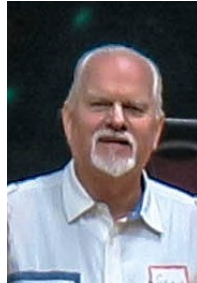
**NEXT MEETINGS ARE:**

Sunday April 7th: @ 2:15 pm  
 Sunday May 5th: @ 2:15 pm  
 Location: El Cajon Elks Lodge  
 1400 E. Washington Ave.  
 El Cajon, CA. 92019

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.

**An Update From Our Vice President**



Hello to all Swing Dance Club members!  
 I am happy to report we are continuing our success here early on in 2019, with an increase in new members and attendance at all events. As we are having larger groups than in the past, I asked all of you to help by bringing more snacks to energize the group. Thank you for your response and I hope we can continue with lots more cookies, cake, candy and other treats. I am pleased to share with you all that the St. Patrick's Day celebration was a success. We saw many interesting costumes and plenty of green. Diane and I were both very happy to have participated.

Elections are coming for the board members for the dance club, and I would be pleased if you all would consider whether you could serve in some capacity on the board. To use an old phrase, think not what the Swing Club can do for you, but what you can do for the Swing Club. :)

Finally, I would like to thank all members for your help in pitching in to set-up and tear down for all dance activities. See you on the dance floor!

Craig P. Helm, Sr.

**April**

- 02 Anna Boylan
- 03 Michael Biggane
- 03 Mike Lock
- 08 Cliff Tabadisto
- 12 Josie Nelson
- 15 Margaret Carlson
- 17 Geo Deasee
- 17 Lloyd Lickert
- 18 Juana Page
- 18 Sandra McKenna
- 19 Holly Farris
- 20 Christina Strey
- 20 Leroy Williams
- 21 Lon Clement
- 21 Steven Moss
- 24 Denise Gonzalez
- 25 Monty Guess
- 26 Richard Vannoy
- 27 Joe Geluz
- 27 Sheri Marie Mariscal

**Happy Birthday Wishes**



**May**

- 02 Michael Wise
- 05 Laura Rudgers
- 06 Jeri Acevedo
- 11 Bob Pomeroy
- 14 Donna Gavuzzi
- 14 Paul Hedberg
- 16 Lowell Gosser
- 17 Barbie Pollyea
- 22 Allone Twomey
- 23 Joyce Tyler
- 23 Leah Hurwitz
- 23 Suzie Avila
- 24 Terrence Clarke
- 27 Gloria Cotchonis
- 29 Charles Stewart



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



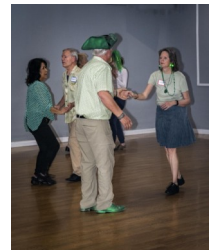
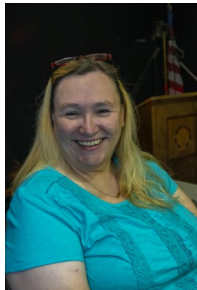
Laureen Baldovi's Workshop Class was outstanding!



Great watching the JT Swing Team perform!



Winners of the Greenest Contest



## St Patrick's Day Dance was a huge success!

Our Condolences goes out to the friends and family members of the following:



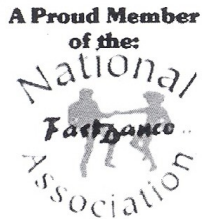
Pat Locantore  
Mar 11, 1941—Feb 21, 2019



We lost another long time member, Frank Taylor. He passed away on Feb.25, 2019 at 90 ½ yrs. old. He and his wife, Ann joined our club in 1980. He was very active in the club and enjoyed helping out every week. His love for dancing lasted 63 ½ yrs with his wife. He was a very happy man. He will be missed.



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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. 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!  
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**Membership Application**

To join the San Diego Swing Dance Club  
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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) \_\_\_\_\_

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Newsletter:  USPS  email

How did you find us \_\_\_\_\_

**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 \$7.00 for members, \$8.00 for Sister Clubs and \$10.00 for non-members. A beginners class is given just prior to the dance and is free with admission to the dance.

Classes: Sunday - Beginners . . . . . 3:00 - 4:00 P.M.

Dances: Sunday . . . . . 4:00 - 6:30 P.M.

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