

SWING TIMES

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From Our President Vinh Mines



Dear Members of the San Diego Swing Dance Club,

I hope this letter finds you all in great spirits and eager to participate in the essential governance of our vibrant community. It is that time of the year again when we call upon the enthusiasm and dedication of our members to help steer the direction of our club. As we strive to maintain and enrich our dance culture, we invite your active involvement in the upcoming board election.

We are pleased to announce that nominations are now open for the Dance Diego board positions for the 2024-2025 term. We encourage all members who are interested in a board position to submit their nominations and to attend this Sunday's board meeting. This is a crucial opportunity for members who are passionate about the direction and growth of our club to contribute their vision and skills.

Please take note of the important details regarding the meeting and voting process:

Board Meeting (includes final acceptance of nominations)

Date: Sunday May 12th
Time: 12:00 Noon

Location: Dance Headquarters 5035 Shawline Dr San Diego CA 92111

Voting will take place during the announcements at this Sunday's dance at 3:30, so it is vital for all nominees and members to be present.

Additionally, attached to an emailed copy of this letter, you will find the annual Membership & Treasurer's Reports. These documents provide insights into our club's current standing and financial health, offering transparency and informed decision-making.

Serving on the board is a rewarding way to impact our club's future positively. Your participation in this process is crucial to maintaining the dynamic and supportive environment that the San Diego Swing Dance Club is known for.

Thank you for your dedication and enthusiasm. We look forward to seeing many of you step forward to help guide our community into another exciting year of dance and collaboration.

Warm regards,

Vinh Mines
President
San Diego Swing Dance Club

**We Welcome Our
New Members**

Debi Reiss
Dean Chavez
Don Kuhli

Jill Curtiss
John Seale
Leslie Snow

Sherrie Carroll
Wendy Knight

Upcoming Lessons at the San Diego Swing Dance Club

Join us every Sunday afternoon. Lesson(s) promptly at 1:30, Dance at 2:30

May 5	Large Ballroom	Russ Bradchulis & Souraya Lorenz — Country Two-Step
May 12	Large Ballroom	Vinh Mines — WCS
May 19	Large Ballroom	Vinh Mines — WCS
May 26	Large Ballroom	Christopher Chung — adv WCS Workshop

Small Ballroom:	Intro to WCS
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Small Ballroom:	Intro to WCS
Small Ballroom:	No class

Greetings from Taylor, Your Activities Director!



Here is my update! Sending from a ballroom in San Antonio. Hope this comes through okay! Miss you all! SDSDC,

I hope this update finds you well and brimming with vibrancy this spring! I'm thrilled to remind you of our exciting lineup of upcoming events and activities:

May 5 – Let's bring some Cinco de Mayo vibes to our attire for this dance!

May 12 – Mother's Day Celebration

May 18 – Our 54th Anniversary Celebration! Don't forget to purchase your tickets! Our tropical theme will be Caribbean Dreams." If you're interested in joining our events committee, please reach out to me directly. We would love to have you join the team!

See you on the dance floor soon!

Taylor, Your Activities Director

From Our Dance Director Meredith Anderson



Sunday, May 5: Country Two-Step

Russ Bradchulis and Souraya Lorenz started dancing together about two years ago and quickly found a synergy and connection that brought them to compete in the UCWDC. They were a new partnership, with new dance coaches, and seven new routines, and still, they walked away from worlds as Division Three World champions. They both teach locally to students of all levels and are excited to be here for us.



Don't miss the WCS workshop on May 26th with Christopher Chung host of the 1st Saturday "Swing Night Out" dance. Chris has been dancing West Coast Swing for the past 10 years. Within this time, Chris has successfully developed a community in Maui and currently teaches and DJs in San Diego and the Socal area. Prior to West Coast Swing, Chris came from a breakdancing background, which influenced his teaching style, from body movement, functionality, and most of all, the music. Chris is known for his musicality, smooth connection, and having fun wherever he goes. He loves sharing "light bulb" moments and working with students who want to grow.

So come join us and be sure to get there early. Doors open at 1:00. No admittance after 1:30.



**SAN DIEGO SWING DANCE CLUB, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
2023-2024
Executive Board**

President.....Vinh Mines
Vice President Larry Armstrong
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Appointed by the Board

Webmaster Jody Kravitz

Due to endless SPAM attacks, a single email address is now offered for contacting board members. This email box is checked regularly and forwarded to the correct member if it is not SPAM. You may address the entire board also using this address:

SDSDCBoard@sandiegoswingdance.com

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS
Generally on the 2nd Sunday of the
Month at Noon**

OUR NEXT MEETINGS ARE:

May 12th 12:00 pm
June 9th 12:00 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.



**New Website
Feature**

Virtual Suggestion
Box



PO Box 1954
Bonita, CA
91908-1954

May Birthdays

01 Joe Jennings	17 Michiko Lindsey
02 Michael Wise	18 Cathy Meyn
04 Katie Mcgee	20 Lynne Rendon
07 Beverley Muth	21 Sher Sheldon
08 Susan Chesebro	21 Sue Lathe
09 Susie Lotzof	22 Allone Twomey
10 Tisha Trinh	23 Leah Hurwitz
11 Bob Pomeroy	23 Suzie Avila
11 Fatima Zaki	24 Fran Tassin
12 Carolina Brown	24 Jim Powell
12 Florence Curry	25 Pat Pilcher
12 Tracey Dalton	27 Vinh Mines
13 Martha Peleti	28 Claudia Bayr
13 Tim Waldowski	28 Ida Greene
15 Janeen Bralla	28 Kathleen Stevenson
16 Brandy Proppe	31 Danyeung Wong

HAPPY BIRTHDAY !

The club will provide a cake, ice cream, and supplies to celebrate birthdays on the 1st Sunday of the month.

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. **No Partner Needed!** Admission is \$10.00 for members and \$15.00 for non-members. Except on the 4th Sunday, lessons are free with paid admission to the dance. On the 4th Sunday, we have a special workshop before the dance for an additional charge. Mid-month Sundays have both Intro and Intermediate WCS lessons that are free with paid admission to the dance. Schedule is subject to change. Lesson is always prior to regular dance.)

(See Flyers posted and/or the website for further information)

Classes: Sunday - 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 — Voice or Text — (619) 333-6603

LIABILITY AND PHOTO/VIDEO RELEASE

By attending dances hosted by the San Diego Swing Dance Club or by becoming a member of the club, I understand and hereby acknowledge my desire to participate in activities and events hosted by the San Diego Swing Dance Club.

1. LIABILITY RELEASE:

I agree to release, indemnify, and hold harmless San Diego Swing Dance Club, its officers, directors, employees, volunteers, and agents from any and all claims, liabilities, damages, or expenses, including attorney's fees, arising out of my participation in the San Diego Swing Dance Club's activities or events, except if such claims are the result of the San Diego Swing Dance Club's gross negligence or intentional misconduct.

2. PHOTO/VIDEO RELEASE:

I hereby grant the San Diego Swing Dance Club the irrevocable right and permission to photograph and/or record me in connection with the San Diego Swing Dance Club's activities and to use the photograph and/or recording for all purposes, including advertising and promotional purposes, in any manner and all media now or hereafter known, in perpetuity throughout the world, without restriction as to alteration.

I waive any right to inspect or approve the use of the photograph and/or recording, and acknowledge and agree that the rights granted to this waiver and release are without compensation of any kind.

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

I have read and understood this Liability and Photo/Video Release Form. I understand that by participating in club events OR by joining the club, I am giving up rights, and I do so voluntarily.

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San Diego Swing Dance Club Membership Application

To join, please complete the information below and sign. You may pay by cash or check in person. Allow 2 week if sent by US Mail!

- New member \$35 **Be sure to specify below the name you want on your nametag!**
- Renewal..... \$35
- Current Member Info Update Free

Date ____/____/____ PLEASE **PRINT CLEARLY!**

First Name _____ Nametag Name _____

Last Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip code _____

Cell Phone _____

Landline _____

Birth date (month/day) ____/____/____ (use XX/XX if not to be published)

Email _____

Optional Emergency Contact:

Name _____

Phone _____

How did you find us _____

By signing this, you acknowledge that you have read and agree to abide by the club's published rules of conduct and that you have read and agree to the liability and photo/video release on the back side of this application and that these may be updated from time to time. The current versions are always available at the front desk and on the club's website.

Signature _____

San Diego Swing Dance Club, P.O. Box 1954, Bonita, CA 91908-1954

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