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September 2026

San Diego Swing Dance Club

50's-60's Party

*Hey,
all you
Cool Cats,
Let's get the
joint jumping!*



DATE:
*Sunday,
Sept. 20th*

DANCE LESSON:
1:30-2:30 PM

DANCING:
1:00-5:00 PM

*Get ready for a
swell time rockin' out
with DJ Jody*

JOIN US SUNDAY AFTERNOONS

Warm up at 1:00 PM - Lesson(s) start at 1:30 PM. Social dancing to follow at 2:30 PM.

September 6

- Trish Connery teaches: Hustle
- Larry Armstrong teaches: Intro to WCS
- DJ: Jody Kravitz
- September Birthday Celebration

September 13

- Maria T & Larry C teach: Intermediate WCS
- Larry Armstrong teaches: Intro to WCS
- DJ: Chris Tan

September 20

- Maria T & Larry C teach: Intermediate WCS
- Larry Armstrong teaches: Intro to WCS
- DJ: Jody Kravitz
- 50's-60's Party - **dress in your favorite 1950's or 60's attire**

September 27

- Conor McClure teaches:
Intermediate/Advanced WCS Class -
 - \$10 + admission
 - No late admissions to the lesson
- No Intro to WCS lesson
- DJ: Vinh Mines

Good things happen to those who hustle.

— Anais Nin

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Let's Dance



Dance Director | David Walkup

Whether you're a longtime member or have just joined the club, we're glad you're part of our growing dance family. We encourage you to attend our weekly lessons and challenge yourself to learn one new dance pattern or variation this month.

September 6: Trish Connery Walkup

HUSTLE

Trish Connery Walkup is a dancer, teacher, choreographer, and judge with more than 25 years of experience in the Southern California dance community. A passionate partner dancer, she specializes in West Coast Swing, Country 2-Step, Nightclub 2-Step, Hustle, and East Coast/Single Time Swing, while also enjoying Salsa, Cha Cha, and Waltz. Trish is a five-time UCWDC World Champion in multiple divisions, a California Swing Dance Hall of Fame Rising Star, and a multi-year US Open Swing Dance Championship finalist with top placements in Masters Routine, Masters Strictly Swing, and Teams. Trained through Skippy Blair's GSDTA Dance Dynamics Teacher Training Intensives, she has dedicated her career not only to competing and performing, but also to growing and supporting the dance community. She is a co-founder of Southland Hustle and, with her husband and dance partner David Walkup, co-founder of DanceChatter Performance Teams. Above all, Trish loves sharing her passion for partner dancing and helping others discover the confidence, creativity, and joy that comes from dancing.



September 13 & 20: Maria T & Larry C

INTERMEDIATE WEST COAST SWING

Our very own Maria T. and Larry C. will be teaching the Intermediate class this month. They are moving from the social floor to the instructor's circle to share some fantastic patterns and styling. Don't miss this class - come out and support these beloved teachers and dancers!



September 27: Conor McClure (\$10 extra)

INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED WEST COAST SWING

Conor McClure has been teaching and studying dance for the past 18 years. He started his journey with jazz dance in high school and went on to study modern and ballet during college, where he was also introduced to ballroom Argentine tango and Pilates. After graduation, he went on to teach dance full-time before branching into fitness, becoming a personal trainer and movement coach. Over the past nine years, he has traveled and competed nationwide as a West Coast Swing dancer, currently competing in the Champion and Classic divisions.



NOTES FROM US TO YOU



President | **Larry Armstrong**

According to the averages, we can expect the temperatures to be ever so slightly cooler in September, after all fall starts now. Even so, I'm sure all of you will keep the dance floor hot. Our Sunday attendance continues to average over 100 dancers each week even in this summer heat, so thank you for coming out and keeping our club growing, and for bringing new people to join us. Be sure to welcome those new people and ask them to dance.

Check out our upcoming activities and themed dances that Lisa is working on very hard to ensure they will be a ton of fun. I for one am really looking forward to them. Speaking of looking ahead, check out the club's website. The address is shown below. There you can find a calendar of events, this newsletter and previous newsletters, and plenty of photos. Take a look and if you have any photos you want to share, contact Jody or Debbie.



Activities Director | **Lisa Simmons**

Mark your calendars for these upcoming special events:

- September 6 - September birthday celebration
- September 20 - 50's-60's party
- October 25 - No Dance
- November 1 - Halloween Costume party



From the Archives

The Evolution of the San Diego Swing Dance Club Logo. Some of these images have been digitally restored from the 1970-2005 Yearbook on the Photos page on our website. And the free dance pass for guessing the current logo designer goes to...nobody guessed the answer correctly. The current logo was updated in 2024 by Taylor Frederking.



1971 - Designed by
Lowell Gosser



1979 - Club name
changed



1996 - Designed
Pam For Emerson



2024 - Design
updated by Taylor
Frederking

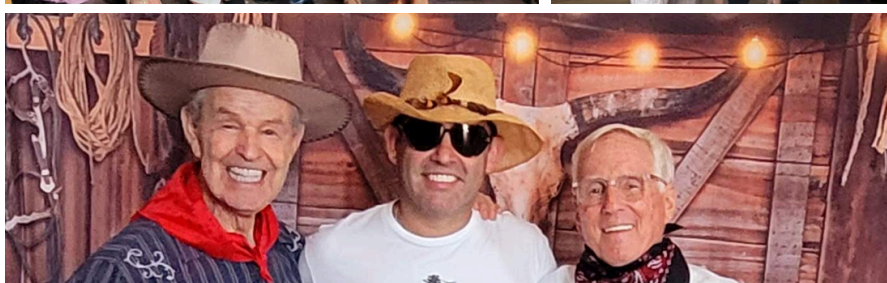
WHAT'S YOUR SPECIAL TALENT?

WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR PASSIONATE VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN THE TEAM. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HELPING OUT, PLEASE REACH OUT TO A BOARD MEMBER.





Fun times at the San Diego Swing Dance Club!
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**San Diego Swing
Dance Club
members say
farewell to Starlight
Dance Studio.**



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MEET THE TEAM

SAN DIEGO SWING DANCE CLUB, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
2026-2027



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Next Board Meeting: September 6 at 12:00 PM



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Christine Metzler
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**MEMBER
COUNT =252**

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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2	Sara Barnett	16	Jim Roberts
3	Jim Schaeffer	17	Arthur Beltran
3	Linda Gu	18	Lisa Simmons
6	Meredith Anderson	22	Daphne Tai
8	Art Gallo	23	Kent Thiele
9	Paula Fialkoff	25	Garry Bowman
10	Kathy Grauer	27*	Jim Bounds
12	Michael West	28	Sylvia Goebel
13	Carolyn McClure	29	Veronica Haynes
15	Robert Palladino		

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Join us on September 6 for cake as we
celebrate September Birthdays!

*Don't miss a special dance performance by
Mary Manzella and Jim Bounds on Sept. 27.

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 dance in a while, stop by soon so you can continue to enjoy dancing, fun, and friendliness that makes the SDSDC so special.

For more information please visit
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