



## RESDC February Club Dance

Our February dance was a huge success! Thank you all for coming out for a fun evening with friends and dancing. A special thank you to our guests who performed an exciting East Coast Swing. The Jack and Jill contest was a little different this month. Our dance director decided to have all the participants tie a red ribbon on their left hand which they were unable to use in honor of Nancy Eastenson who recently broke her left wrist. A fun twist to an exciting evening!



## *HAWAII*

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Course. It was a huge room with a beautiful dark wood dance floor. The views out of this ballroom were majestic. It was on the golf course, palm trees swaying in the wind with the lush green mountains in the back. The Hawaiians again demonstrated their hospitality with pupus served outside. The members of the Hawaiian club were so gracious and

friendly. We spent enough time to get to know some of the members, which really made this trip memorable for us. After we were done with the workshop, I asked the participants if I could take a picture of them. They agreed and all lined up on the steps of this beautiful building, when of course, my camera battery died. However, luckily I was able to get a

picture of the club directors. I hope someday they all come to Sonoma County so the RESDC can reciprocate the same warm hospitality that we received.

Edna Lucero  
*RESDC Member*



*Left to Right, First Place: Kyoko Morrison and Tom Arrington Second Place: Kerry Fugett and Warren Pino Third Place: Samantha Buckwalter and Beau Scarborough*

The Redwood Empire Swing Dance Club is a social non-profit incorporated club dedicated to the promotion and preservation of Swing Dancing, in a particular the California State Dance, West Coast Swing. For this purpose, we hold monthly dances, special dances, parties, and sponsor workshops throughout the year. Membership dues are \$30 per year. Club members receive the RESDC "Swing Times" and receive discounts at RESDC events and events sponsored by other swing dance clubs. If you are not already a member, join today! Contact **Cindy Craig** at 707.829.5441

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hi All,  
Thank you to everyone who came and voted for our Board of Directors. We got enough voters by about two people, so the slate of candidates was elected. The board met and selected this year's officers and I thank them for the opportunity to be President of this club for another year. Most of the other offices were filled, the full results appear at the bottom of this page. Many of the positions are second term as well as we did not have a high turnover this year. We all have a better idea of our responsibilities and I think we will be able to do a great job for the club and its members.

Of note; Chaun Gause will be our secretary until she leaves for Idaho in late Spring which will leave an open position. If you are interested in joining the Board, talk to me or another board member. The position entails recording the minutes of the meeting and getting them to the other Board members for review at the next meeting. If you can type quickly, this may be the job for you.

Special thanks to Dicksie Tamanaha, who has been the secretary for the past two years. She has helped me a lot with hints on how to set up the board meeting agenda. She brought an enormous amount of professionalism and experience to our meetings.

More thanks to Dyana Foldvary who was the Editor of the newsletter for the past two years. Her efforts and creativity made an interesting addition to our mailbox.

See you dancing,  
Dave Cooper  
President

## EDITOR'S CORNER

Hello dancers. Happy Spring! In this issue you will find an interesting article about a Hawaiian Swing Dance Club. It's great that some of us get to travel and experience dancing in a far away location and give us a taste of their experience. Dick and Edna are very active instructors in our local dance community and I appreciate them sharing their experience with us.

There is a new column featuring "Dance Etiquette Tips" that I hope you will find informative and helpful. More tips will be published from time to time.

Check out the enclosed flyer fea-



turing two upcoming dances, Mt. Tam Swing and the San Francisco Symphony Black & White Ball.

In the calendar this month, there are quite a few new dances listed including Sundays at the Odd Fellows Hall. See page 7 for all the contact numbers and information you may need.

As always, feel free to contact me at any time with your comments or with any information you may want to have published in our club's newsletter

Diane DiLorenzo  
ST Editor

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## Dance Video Library

Available to our members: Contact Kyoko at 707.538.9077

## MONTHLY WCS DANCES

### *Redwood Empire Swing Dance Club*

707.523.9477 [www.resdc.org](http://www.resdc.org)  
Ellington Hall, 3535 Industrial Drive, Santa Rosa  
Fourth Sunday, 6:30 - 10:00  
Free beginner lesson 6:30-7:30

### *Next Generation Swing Dance Club*

415.979.4456 [www.ngsdc.org](http://www.ngsdc.org)  
Allegro Ballroom, 5855 Christy Ave., Emeryville  
First Saturday, 6:00-9:45

### *Capitol Swing Dance Club*

916.991.2615  
The Ballroom, 6009 Folsom Blvd., Sacramento  
Third Sunday  
Free lesson 5:00-6:00, Dance 6:00-10:00

### *Santa Cruz Swing Dance Club*

408.425.4443  
Mid-County Center, 829 Bay Ave., Capitola  
Fourth Saturday  
Free Lesson 8:00-9:00, Dance 9:00-Midnight

### *Metronome Ballroom*

415.252.9000  
1830 17th Street, San Francisco  
Fourth Saturday  
Lesson 8:00-9:00, Dance 9:00-Midnight

### *Lakeside Swing with Mike Pyle*

707.315.6204 [www.LakesideSwing.com](http://www.LakesideSwing.com)  
200 Grand Ave., Oakland  
Third Sunday  
Lesson 5:30-6:30, Dance 6:30 -10:00

### *Ashkenaz*

510.524.5372 [www.Swingisthething.com](http://www.Swingisthething.com)  
1317 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley  
Held either First or Second Wednesday  
Lesson 8:00 -9:00, Dance 9:00-Midnight

### *Michelle Kincaid Imperial Dance Club*

415.585.6282 <http://pw2.netcom.com/~wcdancer>  
822 Cassia Street, Redwood City  
Second Sunday 6:00-10:00

### *Odd Fellows Hall*

707.696.8943  
545 Pacific Avenue, Santa Rosa  
First three Sundays  
Lesson 6:00-6:45, Dance 6:45-9:00

## Local WCS Dance Instructors

### *Kelly Casanova* 707.838.0388

**Tuesdays** at the Almonte Clubhouse  
105 Wisteria, Mill Valley  
**Wednesdays** at Ellington Hall  
Beg. and Int. monthly sessions  
**Every Fourth Sunday** at Ellington Hall  
workshops from 2-5pm  
[kelly@kellydance.com](mailto:kelly@kellydance.com) [www.kellydance.com](http://www.kellydance.com)

### *Edna, Dick and Kyoko* 707.538.3051

**Tuesdays** at The Flamingo Hotel  
4th Street at Farmers Lane, Santa Rosa  
Beg. and Int. lesson, 7:00 - 8:30pm  
Dancing from 8:30-11:00  
[www.resdc.org/flamingo.htm](http://www.resdc.org/flamingo.htm)

### *Edna Lucero & Dick Jensen* 707.523.4336

**Thursdays** at the Sebastopol Community Center  
Beg. Salsa 7-8 pm Beg. WCS 8-9pm  
[ednalucero@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ednalucero@sbcglobal.net)

### *Elizabeth Mustaro* 707.548.4603

**Thursdays** at Bay West Dance Sport Academy  
1122 4th St., 2nd floor, San Rafael  
Int. Night Club 2 Step, 6:30 - 7:30 pm  
Int. WCS, 7:30-8:30 pm  
[baywestballroom.com](http://baywestballroom.com)

### *Yvonne Benevidez* 415.897.7976

**Thursdays** at Stars Ballroom  
1559 So. Novato Blvd., Novato  
Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced - Call for details  
Dancing - 8:30-10:00  
[www.yvonnebdance.com](http://www.yvonnebdance.com) [www.starsballroom.com](http://www.starsballroom.com)

### *Emily's Dance Center* 707.576.1318

**Second Friday** at Monroe Hall.  
Two other locations- see website for details  
[dancectr@pacbell.net](mailto:dancectr@pacbell.net) [www.emilysdance.com](http://www.emilysdance.com)

*If you want to be listed as an instructor and are a RESDC member, contact Diane @ 707.829.5169*

## SPECIAL DANCE

### *Mt, Tam Swing*

1 Larkspur Drive, Larkspur 415.924.6226  
DJ Freddie Loebenstein  
Lessons w/ Kelly Casanova 7:30-8:45,  
WCS Dancing 8:45-11:45

# APRIL 2005

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Monroe Hall Two Left Feet	2 The Next Generation Two Left Feet
3 Odd Fellows DJs Freddie & Jim CNO (see pg. 7) Monroe Hall Ellington Hall	4	5 Flamingo	6 Beardsley's Ashkenaz Ellington Hall	7 Stars Ballroom Novato	8 Monroe Hall Two Left Feet	9 Mt. Tam Swing CNO (see pg. 7) Two Left Feet
10 Odd Fellows Monroe Hall	11	12 Flamingo	13 Beardsley's Ellington Hall	14 Stars Ballroom Novato	15 Monroe Hall Two Left Feet	16 Monroe Hall Michelle & Kelly Two Left Feet
17 Monroe Hall DJ Steve Luther Lessons w/ Kelly C. CNO Odd Fellows Lakeside Swing	18	19 Flamingo	20 Beardsley's Ellington Hall	21 Stars Ballroom Novato	22 Monroe Hall Two Left Feet	23 Santa Cruz Swing
24 RESDC Monthly Dance Ellington Hall 6:30 - 10:00p (Party for Chaun)	25	26 Flamingo	27 Beardsley's Ellington Hall	28 Stars Ballroom Novato	29 Monroe Hall Two Left Feet	30 Metronome Two Left Feet

CNO = Club Night Out Dances Shown are WCS, Country and Ballroom.

For instructors, locations, times, etc. go to websites or call. Numbers are listed on page 7.

## Redwood Empire Swing Dance Club

P R E S E N T S

# April Swing

with  
DJ Kelly Cassanova

Sunday  
April 24, 6:30 - 10

**FREE**  
beginner lesson  
from 6:30 - 7:30

Sign up for our  
fun **Jack & Jill**  
Contests!

\$10 - non-members    \$7 - Club members  
Ellington Hall, 3535 Industrial Drive, Santa Rosa  
707.545.6150

RESDC: 707.523.9477    www.resdc.org

There will also be some special party time dedicated to Chaun Gause, a longtime RESDC member who is moving out of state!

### CONVENTION UPDATE

#### RENO DANCE SENSATION

April 7-10

Reno, Nevada

Reno Hilton Resort and Casino

For tickets, please contact:

Michael DiFranco - 707.481.6114

**WEBSITES - EMAILS - DEEJAYS - MISCELLANEOUS**

- Two Left Feet - [www.twoleftfeet.com](http://www.twoleftfeet.com)
- The Next Generation Club - [www.tngsdc.org](http://www.tngsdc.org)
- Ashkenaz - [www.swingisthething.com](http://www.swingisthething.com)
- Monroe Hall, Sunday WCS and Country - [SteveLuther@ap.net](mailto:SteveLuther@ap.net)
- Northern CA Lindy Society - [www.ncls.com](http://www.ncls.com)
- Capital Swing Dancers - [www.capitalswingdancers.org](http://www.capitalswingdancers.org)
- Santa Cruz Swing Club - [www.santacruzswingclub.com](http://www.santacruzswingclub.com)
- San Diego Swing Dance Club - [www.sandiegoswingdanceclub.com](http://www.sandiegoswingdanceclub.com)
- Sundance Dance Club (Norco, CA) - [www.sundancedanceclub.com](http://www.sundancedanceclub.com)
- Greater Phoenix Swing Dance Club - [www.gpsdc.org](http://www.gpsdc.org)
- Freddie Marsh-Lott - [Music2Dance@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Music2Dance@sbcglobal.net)  
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- Mike Pyle - [mike@audiopyle.com](mailto:mike@audiopyle.com)

**APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

Kerry Cambio	1
Deborah Weiss	7
Daniel Howard	10
Morgan Conner	12
Jill Kantor	12
Steve Jacobs	17
Bill Kittler	22
Denise Suzuki	22
Diksie Tamanaka	22
Joanne Lee	24
Nancy Stein	27

*Come participate in our special line up "birthday dance" especially for you!*

**A Special Goodbye**

Times, they are a changin'. If you can believe this, one of our most favorite people, Chaun Gause, is embarking on a new life. She has made a very important decision for herself to make the move to Idaho on May 20th. It comes with mixed feelings to see her go, but Chaun will be making a new life for herself in

Idaho. Chaun has been in the dance community for many years and has made some wonderful friends. She has brought so much to the RESDC both as a dancer and as a Board Member serving as Hospitality Director and Sergeant of Arms. Her contributions to the club have been enormous. Will miss her greatly. We would like to make our April dance a going away celebration for

Chaun, to say goodbye, dance with her, and send her on her way with hugs and love. Chaun will be coming back for visits, this she has promised. Chaun, on behalf of the club, I want to say that you will be missed and always in our hearts. Good luck on your new life's journey. Until we meet again...  
Denise Suzuki  
Vice President

**Hawaiian Experience**



*Hawaiian Swing Dance Club Board Members; Left to Right, Gloria, Joe, Doris, Ray, Rusty and Henry.*

In February, while Dick Jenson and I were in Hawaii, we had the opportunity to dance and teach in some incredibly beautiful places with some incredibly wonderful people, the members of the Hawaiian Swing Dance Club. On Thursday night we went to Zanzibar, an elegant night club in Waikiki, to meet and dance with some of the club members. We met the dance directors/board members, Rusty, Joe and others whom we got to know during the next few days. On Friday, we met in the Queens Emma Gardens Teahouse. It was an open air facility with gardens and waterfalls all around. Pupus, which means hors d'oeuvres or appetizer, were set up outside on the patio where we mingled in the perfect Hawaiian weather. We taught a workshop that night and had so much fun. These students were advanced and caught on so quickly. On Saturday we began the morning workshops in the Palladium Ballroom at the Ala Wai Golf  
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**Social Dance Etiquette Tips**

*Social Dancing is one of life's rare opportunities for pure fun. It is important to remember, however, that dancing is a social activity which requires interpersonal as well as physical grace. Being a considerate and thoughtful dance partner can ensure a wonderful experience. Dance courtesy is even more important than a social dancer's physical technique. It is not always intuitive but it can be learned.*

one person and then "yes" to another, "better" dancer in the same dance. Few experiences are more demoralizing to the rejected partner, and your three minutes of fun are not worth ruining someone else's evening. In order for dancing to be the joyous activity that it's important that social dancers are supportive and kind to each other at all skill levels.

That said, a social dance is not an endurance marathon where you must dance until you drop. If you are really tired when someone asks you, it is fine to say that you are taking a rest. You must be consistent, however. If you tell one person that you are too tired to dance, you should not dance with another, "better" partner.

***May I have this dance?***

When you ask someone to dance, be sure to make eye contact with your prospective partner, offer your hand, and ask clearly, "Would you like to dance?" If your partner says yes, smile, offer your hand, and escort them to the dance floor and into dance position. This will make your partner feel supported and at ease. It is poor dance etiquette to ask someone to dance by standing in front of them with your eyebrows raised and then turning your back and marching onto the dance floor expecting your partner to follow.

***When to say no.***

When a person asks you to dance, it is appropriate to say "no" if you have danced with this person before and he or she has been verbally or physically abusive. It is also appropriate to say "no" if the person is obviously drunk or threatening in some way.

***Yes, thank you, I'd love to dance.***

When someone asks you to dance, your response should nearly always be, "Yes, thank you, I'd love to." It is NEVER acceptable to say no because you don't think this partner is good enough for you, or because you are hoping someone "better" asks you. It is NEVER acceptable to say "no" to

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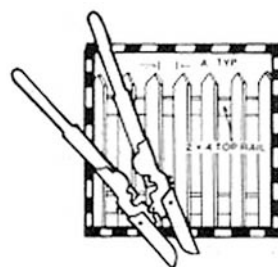
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**RESDC Needs New Club Photographer**

Our many thanks goes out to Paul Akin, RESDC's club photographer. We are grateful and lucky to have had Paul Akin as our club's photographer for this past years. He is a professional by trade and our club has benefitted greatly as a result of that.

Especially impressive were the photos from our annual Black & White Ball in January. Paul has had a way of catching the laughter on a dancer's face at just the right moment and bringing the joy of dancing through his lens and onto paper.

Unfortunately, Paul is no longer able to continue in this position. We are looking for someone to take over as Club Photographer. If you are interested in helping, please do not hesitate to contact any Board member for details or questions.



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