

# Innovations

## August, 2005 Newsletter



**Wayne &  
Sharlot Bott**

### DanceSational Workshop

Starlight Dance Studio, San Diego

**Saturday, August 6th, 2005 6:30 –7:45 PM**

**Intermediate West Coast Swing**

with

**Wayne & Sharlot Bott**

Dance 8:00-11:00 pm.

**DanceSational Workshop Prices - Includes Dance Admission**

\$10 Annual Members, \$20 for All Others

**Dance Only Prices**

\$5 Annual Members, Sister Clubs & Students (with ID)

\$7 for All Others

Come join us as we welcome star instructors, Wayne and Sharlot, back to Innovations. Their workshops are always fun and informative. Ladies, Sharlot's styling is always classy, classic and contemporary. Gentlemen, don't miss Wayne's helpful hints.

A limited number of private lessons are available from Wayne and Sharlot before the workshop. They teach separately or together and teach couples or singles with a dance assistant. If you are interested, please contact Carolyn Washington at [MWASHINGTON361@aol.com](mailto:MWASHINGTON361@aol.com).

**Friday, July 22nd**

**Special Workshop (7:15 – 8:15)**

**Musicality in West Coast Swing**

With

**Michael John Kielbasa**

**Jeralynn Brooks**

Free for Annual Members with Paid Admission to Dance

**\$10 for Others (Includes Dance)**

# Innovations Elections For Board Of Directors

Attention Innovations Annual Members! Innovations will hold elections for Board of Directors **Saturday, October 1st, 2005**. The positions up for election:

**President**, (two year term)  
**Secretary**, (two year term)  
**Membership Director** (two year term)  
**Vice President** (one year term).

The following is a **brief description of the election process**. The general guidelines are outlined by the club Bylaws. A copy of the Bylaws is always available at the dances.

## Timeline:

- **July 8:** The current Board of Directors appoints a Nominations Committee. This year's Committee members are **Martha Peleti and Carolyn Washington**.

The Committee is responsible for seeking and/or accepting all nominations for any of the offices up for election. Any parties interested in running for office must contact one of the committee members. In addition to answering any questions about the offices and the election they will make up the official ballot.

- **September 1st:** Nominations are closed. Candidate's names and pictures will be published in the club's October newsletter.
- **September 17th:** Outgoing Board members, current Board members and candidates for office will be presented at the **Anniversary Party**.
- **Saturday October 1st – Election Day!** Ballots will be issued to Annual Members beginning at 6:00 PM when sign-in for the workshop begins and continue until 9:15 PM when voting is officially over. All ballots should be in by 9:15 PM.

**Around 9:30 PM**, all Annual Members are invited to attend a **brief** general membership meeting as required by the Bylaws. The following will be presented:

President's State-of-the-Club address,  
Treasurer's Report  
Membership Report.

- **Election results will be announced when the votes have been tabulated.**

# DUTIES OF ELECTED OFFICERS

The following is a list of the responsibilities/qualifications for each position.

## **PRESIDENT:**

- Preside over all meetings.
- Sign all contracts and legal documents after approval by the Board.
- Appoint, eliminate or discharge Committees, as the Board deems necessary.
- Supervise and direct the activities of all other members of the Board of Directors.
- Act as spokesperson for the Club, authorize and monitor all communications to and from the Club.
- Ensure that copies of all Club communications are placed on file with the Secretary.

## **SECRETARY:**

- Prepare an agenda for each meeting.
- Record the minutes of all regular meetings of the Board, as well as special meetings, and make them available to all Board members within 2 weeks of the meeting.
- Upon request, provide an approved copy of the minutes of meetings to members.
- Include an attendance and voting report as part of the minutes for each meeting.
- Maintain a current file of all official Club publications, correspondence, etc, including Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and all amendments, changes and modifications. These documents shall be the Club's master files.
- Prepare and maintain files on all incoming and outgoing Club correspondence.
- Serve as President in the absence of the President and Vice President.

## **MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR:**

- Maintain accurate and up-to-date records of the Club's members.
- Provide a current membership report to the Board at regular Board meetings and when specifically requested by the Board.
- Present an Annual Membership Report at the Annual Membership Meeting.
- Provide current membership lists for the Front Desk.
- Oversee the membership renewal process.
- Ensure the collection of dues for new and renewing members.
- Provide support to the Treasurer regarding income from dues.
- Provide support to committees requiring data processing pertaining to members in support of planning and executing activities.
- Serve as President in the absence of the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer
- Ensure that membership records are held confidential.
- Must be proficient with either MS Access or MS Excel (**preferably Access**) and have either MS Access or MS Excel software available.

## **VICE PRESIDENT:**

- Assist the President and other members of the Board of Directors in the performance of their duties.
- Assume the office of President in the event that office is officially or temporarily vacated.
- Negotiate with workshop instructors.
- Schedule Friday class teachers.

**INNOVATIONS**

4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

# Gala Dinner Dance

**September 17, 2005**

**6:30 – 11:00 PM**

## **Champion Ballroom**

3580 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., San Diego

**Annual Members \$20**  
**Others \$40**

**Dinner**  
**7:00 PM**

- **Fantastic Fruit**
- **Splendiforus Salad**
- **Bountiful Buffet**
- **Delicious Desserts**

**Show**  
**9:00 PM**

(Board is Busy Taste Testing for Quality Assurance)

**?Did Someone Say Chocolate Fondue?**

**Early Bird**  
**Price \$18.50\***

Tickets may be purchased at Front Desk or  
By Mailing check to: **Innovations**  
PO Box 23745  
San Diego, CA 92193

**\*Early Bird Price Good for 1<sup>st</sup> 25 Annual  
Members who purchase tickets.**

# President's Message

Dancing is good healthy therapy for the soul. Many of you know this because you have a smile on your face coming through the door to see good friends and have a wonderful night dancing. I can recall the days when I started dancing. The dance hall was full of people. Now a days our floor isn't as full. We know it's summer and we all have our lives to live but dancing was always someplace to relax from work and home. I hope everyone has a great summer and stops by to see their home away from home. Your friends miss you.

Our Fourth of July weekend was a blast of good friends and good dancing. We had some members who moved away and have now moved back who came out to shine like the stars they are at Innovations.

You will see we have posted the date for our anniversary party in September. This will be a great way to end our summer. (Date September 17<sup>th</sup>)

Ladies, it is my job to dance with all of you at least once. That's part of my job description, dance with all the ladies. Yes, it's a tough job but I do it with a smile on my face.

One last note, Innovations is looking for some new board members. We are looking for a new Membership Director, a new Secretary, a new Vice President and yes, a New President. After a two year term, I am looking to retire. If you are interested in any position please let Carolyn, Martha or me know. October 1<sup>st</sup> will be the day of elections.

Continue to have a great summer,  
Luis León, President

## Feel Creative?                      Are you a Night Owl? Want to Get Involved?

### **Innovations Needs Volunteers to Help with the Anniversary Party!**

We will be decorating Champion Ballroom before the Anniversary Party under the capable direction of **Jamie Lewis**, our Anniversary Party Decorations Chairman.

Even if you don't feel creative, Jamie will direct you.

(Jamie is our decorating genius. Remember the dance shoe centerpieces last year?)

It will be fun and is a great way to meet people and get involved.

### **Are you are a Night Owl? Staying until the end of the party? Consider Helping with clean up!**

Remember all those decorations Jamie and the decoration crew are putting up.

Well, we have to take them down again.

We will have fun and I bet the clean up crew gets the job done in a lot less time than the decoration crew.

And, since the event is catered, NO DISHES!

### **Anniversary Party ticket price for Event Volunteers - \$15**

See Martha at one of the dances

Or contact her at (858) 277-1845 or [membership@innovationsdance.org](mailto:membership@innovationsdance.org)

# *Innovations*

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## **This Month's Schedule**

<b>Friday, August 5</b> 7:15 - 8:00 PM	<b>Mike Cowlshaw</b>	<b>Intermediate Country Western 2-Step</b>
<b>Saturday, August 6</b> 6:30 - 7:45 PM	<b>Wayne &amp; Sharlot Bott</b>	<b>Intermediate West Coast Swing</b>
<b>Friday, August 12</b> 7:15 - 8:00 PM	<b>Mike Cowlshaw</b>	<b>Intermediate Country Western 2-Step</b>
<b>Friday, August 19</b> 7:15 - 8:00 PM	<b>Mike Cowlshaw</b>	<b>Intermediate Country Western 2-Step</b>
<b>Friday, August 26</b> 7:15 - 8:15 PM	<b>Mike Cowlshaw</b>	<b>Intermediate Country Western 2-Step</b>

All dances run from 8:00 – 11:00 P.M.

### **Free Classes**

Friday's class is free with paid admission to the party.

**This Month prior to the Innovation's Dance Parties:**

### ***Back By Popular Demand***

**Friday's Class: 7:15 – 8:00 Intermediate Country Western 2-Step with Mike Cowlshaw**

**If you are interested in volunteering to teach, please talk to or send an email to Carolyn Washington at [MWASHINGTON361@aol.com](mailto:MWASHINGTON361@aol.com) .**

# August Birthdays -*Happy Birthday From Innovations!*

**1 free dance admission in the month of your birthday.** There will be a list of all members who have birthdays in the current month at the front desk. (If you didn't include your birthday on your application form, just show your driver's license.) If you want to take advantage of your free admission on the day of a workshop and you wish to take the workshop, admission is \$5 for both the workshop and dance.

1	Marsue Evans	20	Blake Chesley
1	Dan Gehlhaar	20	Lily Kirsanow
3	Tai Taylor	20	Kathy Moore
6	Pam Ford	20	Lynn Moore
7	Rick Blankenhorn	21	Sharon Johanson
8	Diane R. Lynn	21	Sherry Van Epps
9	Tom Cottrell	22	Lynette White
12	Mike Cowlshaw	23	Shawn Tobias
14	Jane M. Diener	24	Rita Haverkamp
14	Shana Powell	24	Edward Rodriguez
15	Ione Bauman	25	Anita Dancoff
16	Larry Armstrong	31	Dann Marquardt
20	Martha M. Barnard		

**P.S. Innovations prides itself on being a friendly club. We need your help. If you see a newcomer at a Dance, please ask them to dance. Your kindness will be greatly appreciated. After all, we were all new once upon a time ..... Hugs to All**

## Innovations Board of Directors

<b>President.....</b>	Luis Leon	<b>Membership...</b>	Martha Peleti
<b>Vice President..</b>	Carolyn Washington	<b>Webmaster.....</b>	JT Holland
<b>Secretary.....</b>	Julie Rishovd	<b>Newsletter.....</b>	Charlene Juszczuk
<b>Treasurer.....</b>	Carol Schwartz		

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held on Friday, August 8 at 10:00 p.m..  
The meeting will be at Starlight Dance Studio.

Innovations is a proud member of **National FastDance Association.**

## *Innovations* **Dance, Inc.**

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Saturday, September 3rd 6:30 – 7:45 PM	<b>TBD</b>	TBD
Saturday, September 17th 6:30 – 7:45 PM	<b>Innovations 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party</b>	Lots of Food, Fun, Dancing
Saturday, October 3rd 6:30 – 7:45 PM	<b>Michael John Kielbasa &amp; Jeralynn Brooks</b>	Intermediate West Coast Swing
Saturday, October 3rd 6:30 – 7:45 PM	<b>Innovations Elections</b>	Come out and Vote!

Workshop Schedule Subject to Change.