

Innovations

January 2006 Newsletter



**Archie & Melanie
Dawson**

DanceSational Workshop

Starlight Dance Studio, San Diego

Saturday, January 7th, 2006 6:30 –7:45 PM

Intermediate Hustle

with

Archie & Melanie Dawson

DanceSational Workshop Prices - Includes Dance Admission

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

Dance Only Prices (Dance 8 - 11 PM)

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

\$7 for All Others

Want to tune up your Hustle? Then be sure and make the Saturday, January 7th workshop with Star Instructors **Archie & Melanie Dawson**. These championship dancers have long and impressive resumes. They have competed in and taught Hustle, with an emphasis on New York styling, all over the country. For more information, check out their bios on the **Gotta Dance San Diego** website. Archie's is at <http://www.gottadancesd.com/Archie.htm> and Melanie's is at <http://www.gottadancesd.com/Melanie.htm>.

For those of you who are die hard Hustle fans, and those who just enjoy the dance, check out San Diego's Premier Hustle Dance Club, **Hustle San Diego**. They hold dances every month and often bring in guest instructors. Archie is the President and Melanie is the Party Committee Chairman. For more information visit www.hustlesd.org.

Special Guest DJ - Parker Dearborn

Parker will be our special guest DJ at the party following the workshop.

At last month's Party, Parker treated us to tunes the way only he can play them.

This month we are very pleased to announce, he will be back!

**No Dance Friday, January 20th
SwingDiego Weekend!**

Innovations Christmas Party

By Martha Peleti, Christmas Party Chairman

Innovations' Christmas Party was a great success. 62 people attended the workshop and over 160 attended the dance. There was a lot of food, fun and dancing. We were treated to a number of shows. Michael and Dawne Kiehm wowed us with their championship Sophisticated Swing routine from the US Open. And a good time was had by all.

The Intermediate West Coast Swing Workshop, taught by Star Instructor Parker Dearborn, included some fun patterns and great technique tips. Parker is one of the hottest dancers on the West Coast Swing Circuit today. He and his partner, Jessica Cox, dance in the showcase division and have won top honors in almost every competition they entered last year. If you have not had a chance to see them dance, check them out at SwingDiego January 19-22, 2006. If you have seen them before, then take advantage of this chance to see them again right here in San Diego.

If you enjoyed the workshop, consider taking Parker's Advanced West Coast Swing classes at Starlight Dance Studio on Tuesday's at 8:30 PM. He does a great job of working on technique as well as presenting interesting and fun patterns.

After teaching the workshop, Parker was our guest DJ for the early part of the evening. He treated us to a combination of new songs and old favorites. He filled the dance floor with his unique blend of tunes. A big THANK YOU goes out to Parker. And, he has graciously agreed to come out and DJ for us again at the Saturday, January 7th party!

A special thank you goes out to all the volunteers who helped make the Christmas Party a success. Decorations: Larry Armstrong, Mike Cowlshaw, and Mark Sheddon. Front Desk: Jill Curtiss, Larry Armstrong, Mike Cowlshaw, and Claire Milner. DJs: Julie Rishovd, Wayne Peleti, and Carol Schwartz. Hospitality: Mike Cowlshaw, Julie Rishovd, Wayne Peleti, Mark Sheddon, Risa Goldberg, Carol Ann Palmer and Tom. Clean-up: JT Holland, Jeff Kwon, Mark Sheddon, Mike Cowlshaw, Julie Rishovd, Lois Scambler, and Wayne Peleti.

SwingDiego
San Diego's Premier
West Coast Swing Dance Convention
January 19-22, 2006
Contact: Earl Pingel at (619) 741-7516 or
earl@swingdiego.com
Or check out the website for more information
<http://www.SwingDiego.com>

January's Schedule

Friday Class - Intermediate Night Club 2-Step with Mike Cowlshaw

Friday's Class: 7:15 – 8:00 PM - is free with Paid Admission to the Dance

All Dances Run from 8:00 – 11:00 P.M.

If you are interested in volunteering to teach, please talk to or send an email to

Carol Ann Palmer at Cgaul2@san.rr.com

January 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.

4	Michele Serra	11	Maureen Cassidy
6	Kathy Townsend	11	Dan Harrison
7	R. H. Dutcher	17	David A. Boe
8	Jim Hance	17	Chuck Sloan
8	Jack Martin	17	Paula Sloan
9	Claire Milner	21	Ron Dunsmore
9	Mark Sheddon	21	Glenn Walker
10	Jim Mclaughlin	26	Linda Schaeffer

New Members

Stefan Bajon
Evie Encarnacion

Kat Gardner
Twain Gidders

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

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The next Board of Directors meeting will be held
on Friday, January 13th^{at} 8:30PM.
The meeting will be at Starlight Dance Studio.

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Saturday, January 7th 6:30 – 7:45 PM	Archie & Melanie Dawson	Intermediate Hustle
Saturday, February 4th 6:30 – 7:45 PM	Michael & Dawne Kiehm	Intermediate Night Club 2-Step
Saturday, March 4th 6:30 – 7:45 PM	Ronnie DeBenedette	Intermediate Country Western 2-Step
Saturday, April 2nd 6:30 – 7:45 PM	TBD	TBD
Saturday, May 6th 6:30 – 7:45 PM	Trish Connery	Intermediate West Coast Swing

Workshop Schedule Subject to Change.