

North Houston Swing Dance Club

Monday April 12th, 2010

Congratulations again to everyone who competed at Tulsa and Seattle. Also, thank to everyone who volunteered at The Terrace at Champions. The Seniors Citizens loved our dancing and it really brightened up their day. I bet they'll be talking about this one for a long time. Thank you Sherri and Michael, Lori and Jimmy, Trent and Michelle, and Patty for helping out! We're going to be doing this more often, perhaps downtown at MD Anderson on a Friday evening. It was a real treat to perform for some folks who are not able to get out very often. The smiles were worth it all!

Class Notes

Donese led her full class through the basics of West Coast Swing.

In order to address the requests from her Intermediate students, Ann went over her class syllabus with them. She outlined the required moves that her students must learn before moving on the next level. See Ann for your copy.

Bryan gave his Advanced Class some challenges this week with spins - guys and gals! It takes practice!

Bobby and Rhonda worked on behind the back hand changes, head loops, crossing anchors, and continuous turns with shoulder catches. Good stuff!

Social Calendar

*This weekend, Jordan and Tatiana were in town for a wonderful series of workshops and parties at Melody Club. Jordan and Tatiana brought us all up to date on what is going on in West Coast Swing, concentrating on rhythm variations, slides and syncopated footwork, styling and hot new moves. And...the good news is...Melody Club is back in full swing too! The floor is in great shape finally, and all the fun dancers were back out dancing until the wee hours of the night. It was a great weekend, and I saw a lot of our North Houston dancers there!

* April 24th, Houston dancer Harold Cramer has invited all dancers to his 2nd Annual Barn Dance and BBQ at his ranch in Eagle Lake. Harold will provide the BBQ and music. You bring a side dish and a lawn chair. The fun starts at 1:00PM and goes until you drop! How cool is that?! Directions: Take I-10 West to Hwy 36 South in Sealey to a blinking light at FM 3013. Turn right (its the only way you can turn) and travel approx 17 miles to Hwy 90A; you are now in Eagle Lake. Travel west through Eagle Lake and go approx 3 miles west of town. The gate opening to the property is on the south side of the Hwy. Enter the property and follow the arrows.

*Up in Dallas over the **Memorial Day Weekend**, plan to go to a brand new event called ProAmJam. That's on the May 28-30 weekend. Our own Brian Spivey and his wife Lisa are doing workshops, and dancing too. For more information check out <http://www.dfwproamjam.com/>

*Then **in June**, Dance America Productions presents "The Houston Swing Classic" will be held Thursday, June 24 at 7:00pm through Saturday, June 26 at 2:00am. This too is a brand new event. This is a non-competition social dance event featuring workshops by Heavy & Snowflake Grammar, Beata Howe, Damon & Lisa D'Amico, Bryan Jordan, Terry Roseborough, John Lindo, Christopher Hussey, and Phil Dorroll. There will be dance Exhibitions and a Saturday afternoon cookout. Your DJ's for the event are Ray Coker, John Lindo, Rich Kopels, Cara Johnston, and Phil Dorroll. For more information, check this out:

<http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=107248135966175>

That's all for this week.

See you Thursday!

Wayne