



MICHIGAN SWING DANCE ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER



Club Review by Brenda

Friday night **Jimmy Barrios** was playing at **South End Station** in Wyandotte. That is not the normal night for Jimmy, but he happened to be playing there to fill in, at the request of the owners. They usually have a small jazz band on Fridays, I believe.

Jimmy has been playing there on Wednesday nights, a Salsa & Swing night, with a free Salsa lesson offered by Deliz DanceSport Dance Studio. The Wednesday night event has been so popular that a Thursday night class and dance will start soon with a free Swing lesson offered by the same studio.

If you wish to go either of those nights, you can plan to eat dinner there if you like, you can check out all of the information on the restaurant/lounge at their web site located at: <http://www.SouthEndStation.com>. I saw that in addition to their regular meals, appetizers, desserts & wonderful ice cream drinks, they have dinner specials offered on Wednesday & Thursday nights at a very reasonable price.

The web site certainly does describe this place, in addition, here are my observances; This is the perfect place for a couple to have a special night out of dinner and dancing on a Friday night (or any other night for that matter)! The ambiance was perfect. Great dinner music. The lights were low enough for the perfect affect. Take a look at their menu, the offerings are fabulous! The decor is Art Deco in style. The dress was pretty much dressy casual. There was an area at the back of the dining area that was nice with tables and a couple of couches. A great place to grab a drink, sit and relax, and chat with your date or friends.

On Friday night, they do have tables

on the dance floor, but they clear those away at about 10 PM in order to make space for dancing. The floor was very danceable, about the size of the floor at Tommy Mac's (if you have been there).

The drive to Wyandotte may seem too much for some, but we dropped straight out I-75 to Eureka Road. At that time of night there was no traffic, and the ride went really fast. Eureka Road to Biddle didn't take long either. There is a map on the web site for South End Station.

So, grab your favorite person, throw them in the car, and head out for a nice drive, dinner and dancing at South End Station. We'll be going back!

.....by Brenda Rupp DanceAlert@aol.com
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The Country Dance was fun!!!!

For those of you who missed the **Country Dance Picnic** held at the **Amber House** this month you really missed a treat! If you don't country dance, you could have shown up just for the delicious dinner.

The Amber House has a new chef, who works in the background, helping Bill to prepare food in advance. Bill finishes the food preparations when he is ready to serve it. The menu included a large quantity of ribs (1/2 slab) which came with potato salad and corn on the cob. Members of M.S.D.A. received \$2 coupons good toward food or drink,

NEXT PARTY

SEPTEMBER 23

at the AMBER HOUSE

Lesson 3 PM

Dance Party 4PM-8PM

*Our parties are at the Cabaret
Ballroom located inside 'The
Amber House, 7012 E Nine Mile
Road, Warren, MI. 810-754-3434*

so the dinners cost \$6.00 each after the coupon was applied. What a price for dinner! The ribs were excellent. I've eaten ribs out at many restaurants, and have to say these were right up there with my favorites. While we were talking with Bill, a gal came up to compliment him on the Schnitzel, I guess it was as good as some made by her family.

Al Kabacinski, was the Disc Jockey for the evening. We enjoyed his music selection, as it seemed everyone did, as they were up dancing. For non-country folks, it was nice to have a great dinner while listening to good music. A member of a country newsgroup later mentioned they were able to dance all of their favorite dances, flow dances, line, etc. and had really enjoyed the dance. They said that if there was another Country Party, their friends shouldn't miss it. I would certainly have to second that motion, even if you only went for dinner. You will have another chance to attend a Country Dance at the Amber House, it is scheduled for Sunday, September 30, 2001. The dance is \$3.00, you will receive as members, a coupon good for \$2.00 towards food or drink. The menu will include ribs & chicken in addition to other items to be decided by the chef. This is an indoor affair, by the way. See the attached flyer for more details.

DANCE LESSON

Many thanks to our own, smooth Fred Beaudet for his very clear and thorough lesson on transitioning from Cha Cha to Swing and back. I know many dancers will be more comfortable with this technique from now on.

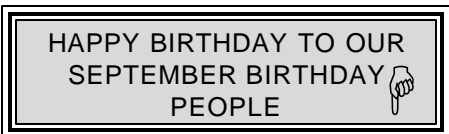


This month, Mike Leach will be teaching us another transition technique in our series. See Mike's bio on page 4.

NEW MEMBERS

The MSDA warmly welcomes the following Dancers to the club. Thanks so much for your support!

- Loui Brickey
- Ron Brickey
- Pauline Burger
- Jay Charvat
- Susan Creswell
- Israel Hochberg
- Michael Piper
- Tony Szabunia
- Thomas Wopinsky



The MSDA has a birthday party every month for those with birthdays during that month. We announce the members' names, have a birthday dance especially for them and serve cake. We also have a small gift for those present at the party in their birthday month. Please be sure to open it before leaving the party...it needs to be laminated.

LINDA	LEICH	9/1
PATRICIA	REMSBERG	9/4
BOB	CAMPBELL	9/4
MICHAEL	HAYNIE	9/6
YVONNE	WILLIAMS	9/8
BILL	FIELDS	9/9
DIANA	JAROSLAWSKI	9/11
JOHN	LOGIUDICE	9/13
JOANNE	PROFANT	9/16
ROSEMARY	WEATHERSTON	9/16
GAYLE	HUSZTI	9/17
SANDY	STRUBANK	9/17
DELANE	KILDAL	9/19
MEL	NISER	9/22
HARRY	ELLIS	9/24
LAWRENCE	SIERADSKI	9/27
JILL	HOLLANDER	9/28
BECKY	THOMPSON	9/29



FUTURE PARTIES



- October 21
- November 18
- December 9

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Please note: Some of the dates are not on the 3rd Sunday due to holidays or convention dates.



The birthday cake for our parties is provided by Dave Michalski. He gives us a great discount and will give any MSDA member a discount too. Dave's shop is located at:

Gallery of Cakes
 29457 5 Mile Rd.
 Livonia, MI 48154
 734-427-9202

Hours:
 Tues - Fri, 10 to 6
 Saturday, 10-2:30
 Sunday, Closed



COUNTRY DANCE PICNIC

SUNDAY September 30
 Inside Amber House
 4PM TO 12PM BQ ribs, chicken, and the Chef's surprise.. Cash bar. \$3.00. Call for info: 810-754-3434 or email: wscheff@speakeasy.net.
\$2.00 discount towards food or drink for MSDA members.
<http://amberhouse-danceclub.com/>

MOVE ACROSS THE RIVER

Ft. Mitchell, KY. Nov. 7-11, 2001
 Cincinnati Bop Club is the host. Last year we had over 60 members attend and it was TOO MUCH FUN. Call Paul Hennessey if you have questions. 1-513-697-6351
Tickets go fast so buy them now!!

OHIO STAR BALL DANCE

Championships
 Nov. 13-18 – Columbus, OH
 FMI: 614-848-7827 or Email: OHSTARBALL@aol.com

US OPEN SWING DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Nov. 22-25, 2001
 Century City, CA.
 425-774-9662 or Email: sesdance@aol.com.
<http://www.usopendc.com/>

C.A.S.H BASH DANCE WEEKEND

Nov 23-25, 2001
 Hilton Garden Inn, Twinsburg, OH
 330-405-4488
 \$65 prior to Oct 1, \$75 after
 Workshops, dance exhibitions, breakfasts and dinner, WCS and J & J contests. 440-257-3142

ARTSPECTRUMS 4TH ANNUAL AMERICAN LINDY HOP CHAMPIONSHIPS

Oct. 25-28, 2001
 Sheraton Stamford Hotel, Stamford, CT.
 For more information: Tickets & competitor information, Paulette Brockington at 313-790-2311 or Email: PauletteBrockington@yahoo.com
<http://Artspectrum.org/alhc.htm>
 Hotel: 203-359-1300

NEW EVENT THE AMERICAN OPEN

December 14, 15, 16
 Sheraton World Resort
 Orlando, Fl. FMI: 313-790-2311 or <http://artspectrum.org/amopen.htm>
 Swing dance competitions and workshops. \$15,000 in cash prizes and awards. Weekend passes begin at \$109
PauletteBrockington@yahoo.com
<http://Artspectrum.org/alhc.htm>
 Hotel: 800-327-0303



DISCOUNTS FOR MEMBERS



THE DANCE CLUB classes begin each month at the Amber House in Warren. Schedule: http://amberhouse-danceclub.com/class_schedule.htm. Private lessons available. Mambo, Hustle, ChaCha - Tango - Waltz - FoxTrot - Swing - West Coast. Huge Dance Floor! Amber House, 7012 E. Nine Mile Road (Just W. of VanDyke) Warren, MI

AMBER HOUSE also offers Tuesday lessons with Tim Constant. 7:30 to 8:30 PM for ECS and 8:30 to 9:30 for Carolina Shag. FMI: Call (810).754.3434. **New classes starting soon!** Contact Tim at ninmiller@hotmail.com

STARDUST DANCE STUDIO Discount of \$1.00 for MSDA members for their Friday night parties. Party is from 9 PM to 12 AM. FMI: (248) 356-5678. See attached class schedule. <http://stardustballroom.com>

ROYAL OAK ARTHUR MURRAY Discount of \$1.00 for MSDA members off the \$5.00 charge for Friday night parties. Party..9:15 PM-10:45 PM. FMI: (248) 548-4770.

Rhythm Dance Parties the 2nd Saturday of each month! October 13. Time: 8:30 -- 11:00 PM 811 N. Main ST., Royal Oak, MI Cost: \$10.00 Per Person (Includes Refreshments) **\$2.00 Discount to members of MSDA, MSSHD members & Arthur Murray Students.** These parties are open to the public

DANCE ART COLLECTIBLES By Linda Jaworski: A large collection of wonderful dance related art and collectibles. **10% discount on unframed posters and 15% off framed posters to MSDA members.** 33228 West 12 Mile, Suite 138, F. Hills. For more info: 248-488-0244 or ljaworski@aol.com.

WEST COAST WEDNESDAY By Dance Fanatics: **The Amber House.** 7:30, 8:15. Lessons by Tera Gehrking-Vitale. Dancing 9 -11 PM. **\$1.00 off to MSDA members** every Wednesday. (810)-446-8888 or visit <http://www.DanceFanatics.com>

DANCE ALERT

Want to receive the latest e-mail news on dance related events in Michigan? Want to know where the hottest dance floors are? To subscribe **free** to all the latest dance news, visit her website at: <http://dancemichigan.com>.

NEW PAGES have been added: **Instructors, DJ's, Bands and Event Coordinators may advertise for free.** Also, check out our Information Station for her list of *Dance Floors* in the area.

RHYTHM N' SHOES DANCE STUDIO

\$1.00 discount to MSDA members on Thursday night dances. 8:30 to 10:30 PM. DJ..Suzie Brecht. 2172 Franklin Rd, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 334-0299. RhythmNShoes@aol.com. See attached schedule.

ARGENTINE TANGO DETROIT

7758 Auburn Road, Utica FMI: (810) 254-0560 **\$1.00 off all events to MSDA members.** <http://www.argentinetangodetroit.com> LnBrtn@compserv.net

DANCESPORT ACADEMY OF MICHIGAN

23666 Park, Dearborn, MI 48124 313-724-3262. The studio has Friday night open dances, \$10.00 per person. **\$1.00 off to MSDA members.** <http://www.dancesportacademy.com/>

TOMMY MAC'S EAST

Swing and Salsa Night. Tuesday nights. Cover: \$4. 8:30 til 1 AM 5491 e. 12 Mile Rd between Ryan and Mound. DJ Jimmy Barrios. Dinner and appetizers available. **\$1.00 off to MSDA members.**

TROY DANCE STUDIO

They offer \$1.00 discount on every event they hold. Scheduled Theme Parties on Tuesdays. FMI: Elaine Marrero, TDS. (248) 689-3393. <http://troydancestudio.com>

REMINDER: Show your **MSDA** card at GLSDC and MSSHD dances to **get in at their member prices** Just show your card and save. the GLSDC schedule is at: <http://danceaway.com/GLSDC/calendar.html> They have a club dance every Wednesday at the Russellville Ballroom. MSSHD is on the 2nd Sunday of the month: bbudzyn@home.com.

COULD I HAVE THIS DANCE?

Meagan Woodbury, MSDA member, is the lady to contact if you are a male dancer between 40 - 70, & you are interested in becoming a gentleman host on cruise ships. Meagan works for Loretta Blake & has been interviewer, trainer & tester for MI; Ca; Oh. areas 10 years. **\$5 discount for MSDA members.** (313) 886 -9394.

PERSONAL TRAINER

Muscle toning, strength & balance training to increase your dance endurance & poise. At your gym. **10% discount per session to MSDA members for first 5 training hours.** Madelyn Kleitch, ACE certified. (313) 882-5422.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS!!!!

The following **MSDA members** were winners at the Michigan Dance Classic:

Open Hustle Dance Championship
Tim Carmichael & Karen Keiser...4th

Novice Classic Swing
Tim Carmichael & Karen Keiser...3rd

Novice Classic Hustle
Mary Lou Gillis & Ernie Virden(OH) ..2nd

Cabaret
Jeff & Tera Vitale...1st

Strictly Swing Advanced
Tera Vitale & Fred Price(OH)...4th

Strictly Swing Novice
Jeff Vitale & Julie Gubb...3rd

Jack & Jill Novice
Tim Carmichael & Crystal Fischer(WI)...4th

Pro-Am Novice Swing-Male
Tera Vitale & Tim Carmichael...1st

Pro-Am Novice Hustle
Barry Douglas & **Jeanne Pilis...1st**

What a terrific showing for the club!!!

**GUEST INSTRUCTOR
MIKE LEACH. He's back!!!**

Mike Leach has moved back to the area, and that has made lots of dancers very happy. Besides being a terrific dancer and teacher, he is a really nice guy and we're glad that he's teaching for us on September 23. Here are a few interesting comments from and about Mike.

Michael has been teaching since 1988 with Arthur Murray in Royal Oak, Raleigh NC & Atlanta GA. Michael was originally trained by Candy Mckenzie (Owner/Franchisee of Royal Oak Arthur Murray) and Bev Ramsey who is still with the same studio.

Michael's area of expertise lies in Leading, Nite Club Dancing, Lifts and Drops. He gained experience in teaching Shag from his work and social dancing with Arthur Murray's in North Carolina.

Michael (and a previous partner) won the Midwest Regional Dance Champion title He also appeared on the TV show "Dance Fever" (with partner) as the first couple from Detroit to appear on that show. His favorite dance memory was watching Gary & Diana McDonald dancing to "The Power Of Love" in Windsor. And teaching Aretha Franklin the Lambada at her home, and performing at her Birthday party!

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New --

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the 2nd Saturday of each month!

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Arthur Murray Dance Studio

811 North Main Street , Royal Oak, MI 48067

248-548-4770

The Royal Oak Arthur Murray Dance Studio has been run by franchisee Candice McKenzie for over nineteen years. Candy provides a great deal of stability for the students in Royal Oak. Almost all of the instructors have been with her for at least ten years. You will not find this studio changing hands frequently, or having dance instructors come and go on a constant basis. The Royal Oak location is a small studio with a staff that makes newcomers feel right at home.

They often have guest parties where the students dance with their teachers impromptu samples of the different dances, at various levels. At the guest parties, the newcomers are invited to a free group lesson to get them on the floor immediately. They serve hors d'oeuvres and the staff mingles with the students and guests. The packages offered to students include private lessons, group lessons and practice parties.

This is a homey studio where newcomers can fit right in. Don't be misled by that statement. This studio turns out wonderful dancers, at ease on the dance floor, with perfect footwork as demonstrated at their showcase events and competitions.

Showcases are held so dancers can demonstrate to their families and peers their dancing abilities. They get that opportunity to dress up in their ballroom attire and dance routines with their instructors or partners. Awards are given out at these showcases as the students are judged in their particular category of dance, bronze, silver, gold and gold bar. They can stop any time, and some do, but there are many who wish to keep growing in dance and the Royal Oak studio will help.



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Web Site of the Month

The feature of the month is <http://www.latiindance.com>. It's a very comprehensive site with links to purchasing sexy salsa clothing (very reasonably priced), latin CDs, and lots of other latin dance related items. There is a latin chat room, a list of latin Hit Parade favorites, events, workshops, videos, a partner, instructor or city search, and a newsletter if you'd like to sign up. Check it out!

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HEY, YOU GUYS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
THE PARTY IS SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 23!!!!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!