



MICHIGAN SWING DANCE ASSOCIATION



Learn to dance on the Internet!!

Interesting concept. This month, I came across two fairly innovative methods of cyber dance teaching. The concepts are the same, but the delivery is different. Wonder if one got the idea from the other?



Cyber Teachers #1

David and Valentina are the official Bustamove Dancers.

They're on their way to becoming U.S. Champions! Here's how they've done in recent professional dance competitions:

- 1999 U.S. Rising Star Bronze Medalists
- 1999 Ohio Star Ball Rising Star Champions
- 1998 U.S. 10-Dance Finalists

They have a wide range of expertise in many styles of dance, from Hip-Hop to Viennese Waltz to Cha-Cha-Cha. "When you learn from our dancers, you're learning from two of the best in country!"

There are four levels of lessons: beginner, intermediate, advanced and club. There are six beginner dance moves per class. It's very simple. Bustamove works like an arcade. You buy credits. Credits cost two dollars apiece. These credits are automatically transferred to your Bustamove account. (An account is created for you once you first log in with Bustamove and can be accessed each time that you subsequently log in.) When you want to access a move, you will be asked to turn in a credit for that move. The Foxtrot and Waltz packages, each with six moves, can be accessed for the exchange of six credits. Each credit costs \$2. Once you select a move, it's yours forever. You can always return to it. A record of the moves you've selected is kept in your account information box. Simply click on the link for "more account info" link after you've logged in. You'll see which moves you've previously selected and you can return to those moves anytime, anywhere. You can purchase a 'class' of moves or individual moves.

There are also ways to meet people, discussion boards and dance place listings on the site. <http://www.bustamove.com/>



You click on a button and the the 'dance teachers' actually move through the motions of the dance moves. It appears that they made a video and then colored it red and blue?

Cyber Teachers #2

<http://mydancelesson.com/>

"MyDanceLesson.com is your hottest new resource on the internet for downloadable dance moves and line dances. You can either watch them in streaming video or save them to your computer for use later. We currently have over 300 downloads on the site and will be providing more each week. Hot new moves and Line dances will be added. Top Instructors have allowed us to provide you with these moves and dances and they all have much more to offer you, so please click on their contact button to visit their websites or send them an email.

New videos of the latest line dances and couples moves are being added in early February from the Worlds 2004.

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NEXT MSDA PARTY MARCH 21 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. 586-754-3434

DANCE LESSON

Many thanks to Albert and LindaKay for last months lesson. They taught a dynamite lesson on variations of the side pass. For those who asked, they give private lessons at Diamondback.



This month, Louise Tamres will return to help us focus on learning to improvise and be comfortable playing with breaks in the music. This class is aimed at all levels of dance. She will teach body rhythm and styling that can be incorporated into dancing. See Louise's bio on page 4.

LAST CHANCE

to buy tickets for the 23rd Annual Phoenix July 4th Convention
<http://www.gpsdc.org/portal/July4th/Default.aspx>
\$95 for the weekend.
If you are interested, let me know ASAP.
248-390-0515

NEW MEMBERS

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


JONACKERMAN
BRENDA HEPLER

HELP OUR CLUB GROW

AT THE NEXT DANCE:

- ☺ SAY HELLO TO SOMEONE YOU DON'T KNOW
- ☺ LEARN THREE NEW NAMES
- ☺ ASK TWO NEW PEOPLE TO DANCE



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR
MARCH BIRTHDAY
PEOPLE 

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 gift for those present at the party in their birthday month. Please be sure to see Jean at the front desk before leaving the party...it needs to be laminated.

JAY	CHARVAT	3/1
WALTER	KOZAK	3/3
JUDY	MOBLEY	3/6
IOLANDA	AGAZZI	3/7
ROBERTA	JACKSON	3/16
CAROL	ALLEN	3/17
BERNIE	DELONGCHAMP	3/25
BASIM	ABDELNOUR	3/27
MADELYN	KLEITCH	3/27
KENNY	POLK	3/29
RALPH	WOODBURY	3/29



FUTURE PARTIES

March 21

April 18

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Please note: Some of the dates are not on the 3rd Sunday due to holidays or convention dates.
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BIRTHDAYS...AN ISSUE FOR SOME MEMBERS. It has been brought to my attention that some people **HATE** being called out on the floor for the birthday dance and may even stay home that day to avoid it. Yet I know that others love it. So, please let me know if you don't want your birthday published in the newsletter and/or if you don't want to come out on the floor. I'll be happy to respect your wishes. SN

LOCAL AND NATIONAL EVENTS

MOTOR CITY JAM

Mar 12-14. Sheraton Novi, MI
<http://www.artspectrum.org/mcj.htm>. Workshops in a huge variety of dances, plus contests, open dancing, live band. WCS, Hustle & Lindy Dance Intensives. How about "Love Slave Slink for Nightclub Two Step (Int.)" with Mike Topel? J&J's in Hustle and all three levels of WCS. Plus 'Survivor Swing'..music might not be swing but you have to keep swingin'! **There will be a separate West Coast Swing room, as usual. Discount to MSDA members.**

JIMMY BARRIOS

COMO'S..SALSA & SWING

Woodward and 9 Mile every Wed night. 9PM till 1AM. **NO COVER CHARGE.**

OLE OLE Every Fri and Sat night. Jimmy Barrios DJ starting at 8PM. **NO COVER.** 1103 E. Lake Drive Novi, where 14 mile Rd ends. 248-668-9005

BOOGIE IN THE BURGH

March 18-21. Pittsburgh, PA
412-825-0301

SMOKIE MOUNTAIN BOOGIE

March 25-28. Gatlinburg, TN
865-947-0494. <http://atlantaswingdancers.com/smoky.htm>.

MIDWEST AREA SWING DANCE CHALLENGE

April 2-4th. Hilton Garden Inn, Oshkosh, WI. 6000 sq ft dance floor. Swing contests, J&J's, workshops. John Lindo, Brent and Kellese Key, etc. 920-926-9648.
<http://newrebels.com>

CASINO ROYALE 2004

May 7th & 8th. Horseshoe Casino, Robinsonville, Mississippi. Swing dance exhibitions, workshops
Memphis Bop Club 662-342-6413
www.memphisbopclub.com

WORLD SWING DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

May 7, 8. & 9. Las Vegas Riviera Hotel. Buddy Schwimmer. 909-335-0721
worldswingdancechampionship.com

SUMMER BOOGIE BLAST

May 27th - 30th. Nashville, TN
16th Anniversary Party
Music City Bop Club. 615-859-0251. Sandy Brown.
www.musiccitybopclub.com

DANCE CAMP LAS VEGAS

June 13th - 18th. Full week of ballroom dance lessons taught by pros. 800-851-2813
www.masterycamps.com

PLEASE REMEMBER

TO TAKE YOUR MSDA MEMBERSHIP CARD WITH YOU WHEN ASKING FOR DISCOUNTS AT STUDIOS AND EVENTS. THEY ARE HAPPY TO GIVE YOU THE DISCOUNT BUT SHOULD NOT HAVE TO TAKE YOUR WORD FOR IT THAT YOU ARE A MEMBER. BELIEVE IT OR NOT, SOME PEOPLE MASQUERADE AS MSDA MEMBERS.



DISCOUNTS FOR MEMBERS



THE DANCE CLUB's progressive classes begins every six weeks at the Amber House in Warren. Schedule: <http://amberhouse-danceclub.com/> 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. 586-754-3434

AMBER HOUSE'S WORK THAT SKIRT, LADIES!! Paulette Brockington will be teaching 2 classes - a beginners class at 8pm and an intermediate/advanced class at 8:45. Each class is \$5 each. But why just take a class. For \$8 you can take class + dance starting at 9:30. This price is majorly cheap considering.

RHYTHM -N- SHOES DANCE STUDIO

NEW: Now there are dances on both Thursday and Friday nights. \$7 on Thurs and \$10 on Fri. 9 to 11 PM. Light snacks served. **\$1.00 discount to MSDA & MSSHD members on Thursday AND Friday night dances.** Suzie Brecht is the manager of the studio, as well as a teacher and the DJ. 2172 Franklin Rd, Bloomfield Hills. 248-334-0299. See *attached schedule*. RhythmNShoes@aol.com. <http://www.rhythm-n-shoes.com>

ROYAL OAK ARTHUR MURRAY

Friday night parties every Friday. Call for dates. 9:15 -10:45 PM. \$5. **Discount of \$1.00 for MSDA members.** 811 North Main Street, Royal Oak. FMI: 248-548-4770

TROY DANCE STUDIO

\$1.00 discount on every event to MSDA members. They hold scheduled parties on Tuesdays. 4963 Rochester Rd. Troy, MI 48098. Elaine Marrero, 248-689-3393.

ARGENTINE TANGO DETROIT

7758 Auburn Road, Utica 586-254-0560. An instructor from Deliz DanceSport is teaching Salsa & Swing on Mondays! **\$1.00 off all events to MSDA members.** lori@argentinetangodetroit.com <http://www.argentinetangodetroit.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>.

Instructors, DJ's, Studios and Bands may advertise for free. You can print out a huge list of area dance floors or check out the Information Station at the monthly dance for her list.

DELIZ DANCESPORT

231 Eureka Road, Wyandotte, MI 48192 734-281-1969. M-F, 1pm-10pm, Sat. by appt. 734-281-1969 or delizdance@aol.com

DANCESPORT ACADEMY OF MICHIGAN

23666 Park, Dearborn, MI 48124 313-724-3262. The studio has Friday night open dances, \$8. Sat night dances are \$10. **\$1.00 off to MSDA members.** <http://www.dancesportacademy.com>

DANCE ELITE BALLROOM STUDIO

6315 Haggerty, W. Bloom. American and International Ballroom Dancing. Group and private lessons for all ages. Jacob Reves, Professional Dance Instructor. Competitive dance coaching. Barry Douglas teaches Hustle classes Tuesday nights. Saturday night dance parties, 9 to midnight, \$10. **\$1.00 off to MSDA members.** 248-926-8522. <http://eliteballroom.com>. See *attached schedule*.

NEW!!! DEAL AMERICA FURNITURE

Full line of furniture & mattresses, plus computers: sales, service repair and upgrades. Dial up internet service and BROWSE BLASTER.

MSDA Members receive 10% Discount. 285 Piquette, Detroit, MI. 313-872-2550.

Monday thru Sat. 9am to 6 pm

NEW!!! CEO VIDEO

Still and video photography services. "Documenting precious, once-in-a-lifetime, loving memories of special occasions. **\$50 off the Diamond Wedding Videotaping Package (5% of \$1000), 5% discount on any other services.** Matt Trupiano. matt@ceovideo.net, 586-596-5240. <http://www.ceovideo.net/>

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. <http://personaltrainermk.com/> 313-882-5422.

COULD I HAVE THIS DANCE?

Contact Meagan Woodbury if you are a male dancer between 40 - 70, & you are interested in becoming a gentleman host on cruise ships. **\$5 discount for MSDA members.** 586-775-1933

DINING WITH SINGLES

Now you can join other available, like minded, single people for evenings of fine dining and dinner theater. It's fun, it's affordable and it's without the social pressure of one on one blind dates. **\$20 membership discount to MSDA members.** Type MSDA in the comments form. <http://www.diningwithsingles.com/>

SWING TIME STUDIO/DANCE HALL

G-4510 VanSlyke Road- Flint Swing, Ballroom, Latin, Country & Social. Group Classes & Private Instruction available. 2200 sq. ft of Floating dance floor. **\$1.00 off any workshop or Dance party to MSDA members.** Instructors: Terri Sweet-Tim Johnson-Tim Constant-Dave Wolf. Contact Terri at (810) 762-0101. swing42@sbcglobal.net

REMINDER: Show your **MSDA** card at GLSDC and MSSHD dances to **get in at their member prices** Just show your card and save. They have a club dance every Wednesday in Flint at VFW Hall, G-4138 Corunna Road, just 1/2 west of I-75. GLSDCeditor@aol.com. MSSHD is will be the third Sat in July : bbudzyn@comcast.net <http://www.michiganswing.com/>

HUBER & BREEZE

30% discount on all Rentals, Sales, Repairs of New & Used Disc Jockey Equipment. 33540 Groesbeck Hwy. Fraser, MI (586) 294-3950

LYNCH'S

Three Locations:
Warren: (586) 751-1780
15% discount to MSDA members.
They carry various trims for costumes, teachers' shoes, tights, etc.

GUEST INSTRUCTOR
LOUISE TAMRES

Retro

Louise Tamres started dancing at the age of 5, acquiring a strong foundation in ballet and jazz dance. In 1985, she retired from ballet performance and discovered the world of social dance, becoming an avid contra and ballroom dancer. The new dance gypsy attended numerous dance camps around the country to learn Lindy Hop, Blues, Vintage Dance, and Argentine Tango- long before these dances were taught locally in Michigan.

Louise spent seven years with the UM Ballroom Dance Club as one of its primary organizers and instructors. All while leading the double life as an engineering professional, she continued to perform in ballroom, swing, and vintage dance productions. A six-year veteran of dance competitions, Louise, with her partner Bob Pinter, achieved top honors in Swing, Latin, Ballroom, and Hustle.

A popular teacher since 1990, Louise never loses her sense of humor and makes every dance understandable, presenting even fine points of style in a clear accessible way. She has taught classes through Ann Arbor Public Schools' Rec & Ed, Ypsilanti Community Education, historical dance organizations, and many UM student groups including the Ballroom Dance Club, Ballroom Dance Team, and UAC Mini Courses. Although Louise has curtailed her dance travels and engineering professional life to focus on her current role as a mother, she continues her dance training by attending local workshops. Louise currently teaches dance classes in the Ann Arbor area and enjoys watching her two preschoolers discover the fun of bopping to music.

Louise teaches privates and may be reached at 734-996-2482.



Lots of MSDA members travel to events around the country and bring back wonderful information about dance events. We really enjoy the reviews so please keep this info coming. Also, while you're there, please pick up flyers to other events. If you give me a copy of each one, I'll make copies and put them on the Information Station for everyone to pick up. Thanks so much. S N



The drink ticket you receive when you enter our parties is to be used for a free soft drink or an alcoholic beverage. If you choose not to drink one, please turn it in at the bar. This is a direct part of the payment process to the Amber House! Remember: we need to help support Bill through food & drink purchases! We want to keep having our parties there.

Twenty-nine years ago, some of the hottest dance songs were climbing to the top of the charts. The year was 1975. DJ record pools were gaining memberships as new clubs started to pop up. A brand new night club opened in the NY Hilton Hotel called The Roman Pubs Metamorphosis. Record executives reported that they felt the night clubs/Discos were becoming the new way to expose the public to new music. The discotheques were becoming the laboratory (I guess that made us the guinea pigs). The impact of the music went from being a club / underground sound to the air waves across the country.

Here are the songs that were climbing the charts back then. Some of these ditties are still dance gems today.

- "Sexy" by MFSB Orchestra
 - "Brazil" by the Ritchie Family
 - "Dreaming A Dream" by Crown Heights Affair
 - "Fight The Power" by the Isley Brothers
 - "Blow Your Whistle" by Gary Toms Empire
 - "Bad Luck" by Harold Melvin and the Blue Notes
 - "Fame" by David Bowie
 - "Do It Anyway You Wanna" by Peoples Choice (and the number one spot was a song called)
 - "The Hustle" by Van McCoy & The Soul City Symphony
- Reprinted from Dance Talk by Ron Bess*



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Charter Membership is now available for just \$20 for the first year (regularly \$35). This allows you all the downloads you want for a full year!

Examples of teachers and moves available:

- Robert Cordoba & Deborah Szekeley / Westcoast
- Overtuned whip hand change longcomboint/adv,
- Whip ladies 2 hand press int
- Crossed hand whip and with a spin
- Barry Douglas / Hustle
- Neck Wrap to double turn Beg
- Free Spin Check Step Int
- Ladies rolling turn
- Jordan Frisbee & Tatiana Mollmann / Westcoast
- Hip check Beg/Int
- Rewind whip, head loop Int
- Stalker whip lean out
- Kyle Redd & Sarah Vann Drake / Westcoast
- Cut off, check, reverse whip Int
- Shoulder Loop, wrap, shag duck Int
- Neck Wrap triples
- Robert Royston & Laureen Baldovi / Nightclub
- Inside Turn catch to dip
- Anthony Lee / Nightclub
- Hand Change to Sliding Doors Beg/Int
- Toss Across to Check Step Alternating

Plus, there are may country and line dances listed. <http://mydancelesson.com/Teachers.htm>

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HEY, YOU GUYS!!!!
THE PARTY IS SUNDAY,
MARCH 21, 2004!!



Thanks for all your support!!