World Swing Dance Council

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Upcoming Registry Events

- THE AFTER PARTY
 December 1-4, 2016
- WINTER WHITE WCS December 2-4, 2016
- Swingtimate
 December 9-11, 2016
- BERLIN SWING

 REVOLUTION

 December 9-11, 2016
- New Year's Swing FLING December 29, 2016 To January 2, 2017
- PALM SPRINGS NEW YEAR
 December 29, 2016
 To January 2, 2017
- FLOORPLAY NEW YEARS SWING VACATION December 29, 2016 To January 1, 2017
- New Year's Dance EXTRAVAGANZA December 29, 2016 To January 1, 2017
- SPOTLIGHT DANCE
 CELEBRATION
 December 30, 2016
 To January 2, 2017
- UCWDC COUNTRY
 DANCE WORLD
 CHANPIONSHIPS
 January 1-8, 2017
- Moscow Xmas Swing Dance Camp January 3-8, 2017
- **SWEDEN WESTIE GALA** January 6-8, 2017
- WEST COAST SWING BUDAFEST January 6-8, 2017
- Monterey Swingfest January11-15, 2017



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General Membership Meeting Highlights

Saturday, November 26, 2016 at the US Open

Co-founders and Chairmen Annie Hirsch and Skippy Blair have taken on Emeritus status on the WSDC board. They will continue to be available as consultants to the Council but the daily operations of the organization shall be the responsibility of the Executive Board of Directors.

There was a beautiful presentation made to Annie and Skippy on Saturday night with a video highlighting their achievements.

Dani Canziani is the new President of the WSDC. Two additional board members were elected. Jim Coakley and Demery Leyva. Bios of the new board members may be found on our website.

Mark Scheuffele, the WSDC Treasurer, reviewed the current balance sheet and Profit statement. The organization remains in good standing as a 501(c)3. We are working to increase the platforms for national and international online payments. We have hired a new bookkeeper to improve accounting administration and payment

processing. Using Intuit Quickbooks, WSDC will send out membership invoices with the ability to pay with a Credit Card or Bank Transfer. The invoices and payment options will be in the currency of the Professional Members country of residence. As of January 1st, 2017, the fee on all future electronic payments will be free. This includes PayPal, Bank Transfers and Credit Card fee's made through the authorized online processes.

ROLLING MEMBERSHIP:

In the past we have had a set date in the Summer for all renewals of membership. Going forward, we will have a rolling membership. An invoice will be sent approximately 30 days prior to the event, and will be due 30 days after the event. Giving the Professional Members a 60-day payment window. This will increase accuracy of the registry and balance the workload for our administrators so that payments are processed timely and calendar updates are made at a (continued on page 2)

Points Registry Jack and Jill Contests

The WSDC would like to remind all Registry Events to use "WSDC" as a heading to those divisions recorded in the Registry. This is to help clarify for all competitors that this contest will be submitted for points. An example for your website, schedule, promotions could be:

WSDC Novice Jack & Jill

WSDC Intermediate Jack & Jill

WSDC Advanced Jack & Jill

WSDC All Star Jack & Jill

WSDC Champions (or Invitational, etc.) Jack & Jill

Any divisions without the WSDC heading would specifically indicate a contest that is not a Registry

recorded division; such as

All American Jack & Jill Certain Invitational Contests Bookends Jack & Jill, etc.

Each competitor may enter only one (1) WSDC skill level Jack and Jill. Each competitor may enter only one (1) age level appropriate WSDC Jack & Jill.

A dancer can dance in a WSDC division and a contest that does not submit points to the registry.

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time when most event directors can forecast the future dates for their event.

The transition to the new rolling membership process is now being implemented. There will be a year in which partial payments will be due; as most members have a credit through June 2017. Beginning in 2018 the new rolling membership should be fully implemented.

Email notifications for each Professional Member will be going out soon and the new invoices should be self-explanatory. If you prefer, you may still pay using PayPal or send a check using USPS to the World Swing Dance Council, Attn: Treasurer, 9151 Atlanta Ave., #7452, Huntington Beach, Ca 92615.

If you have any questions after receiving your invoice, contact Mark at treasurer@worldsdc.com.

The WSDC is working on cleaning up documents that

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MISSION STATEMENT

Fosters communications between geographical locations and all generations for all types and all styles of Swing.

Spreads appreciation for both Swing as it WAS, and Swing as it IS. The importance of Both is recognized as only the past and the present appreciated together can combine to create the future!

Promotes the GROWTH of ALL Swing Dancing to the general public at large. (This fantastic sport, recreation, rehabilitation, and indeed, "way of life" brings unsurpassed joy to many. It's the best-kept secret in the country. Let's share it!)

are on the website to create clarity and consistency. We will be updating the documents to include a Penalty Level Chart which will describe levels of infractions and the associated fines for each type of infraction.

Two Registry Member Event Directors, in attendance at the General Meeting, asked the board to meet to revisit a decision related to an infraction that occurred at their events in 2016. The board had a conference call on November 30, 2016 and concurred that a rule had been broken, but that the event directors involved did not have malicious intent and that the infraction was due to neglect. The fines imposed were reduced, letters were sent to the Registry Members involved and their Events are in good Standing.

Our next General Membership Meeting is scheduled for Mid 2017. The event location has not been determined, but we are looking to have a meeting somewhere on the East Coast.

Provides an Information Clearing House for Dancers, Swing Dance Clubs, Promoters, Organizers, Teachers, Judges, Competitors, and all interested parties.

Maintains a national website.

Maintains a Competitors Registry showing placements from all Major Events, with points accumulated for each competitor.

Maintains a Members Registry for communication between Members.

Maintains a DJ Registry with a listing of DJs that are members of the WSDC in good standing.

Maintains an Instructors Registry with a listing of dance instructors that are members of the WSDC in good standing.

Coordinates and maintains a National Events Calendar listing of dates and locations that allows for better planning for both organizers and those who plan to participate.

Sponsors the National Swing Dance Hall of Fame honoring those with long-time contributions and accomplishments to the swing dance community and industry.

- AUSTRALIAN WEST COAST **SWING AND ZOUK** February 23-26, 2017
- MID ATLANTIC DANCE JAM (MADJAM) (NASDE) March 2-5, 2017
- CHICAGO CLASSIC (NASDE) March 8-12, 2017
- HIGH DESERT DANCE CLASSIC March 10-12, 2017
- THE BRAZILIAN OPEN March 15-15, 2017
- DUTCH OPEN WEST COAST SWING AUSTRAIN WCS SPECTACLE March 16-19, 2017
- Boston Tea Party March 23-26, 2017

- Novice Invitational March 24-26, 2017
- SWING OVER ORLANDO March 24-26, 2017
- March 24-26, 2017
- CITY OF ANGELS March 30—April 2, 2017

Upcoming Registry Events

- Austin Swing Dance **CHAMPIONSHIPS** January 12-15, 2017
- FREEDOM SWING **DANCE CHALLENGE** January 13-15, 2017
- SWINGCOUVER January 19-23, 2017
- PARIS WESTIE FEST January 20-22, 2017
- DERBY CITY SWING January 26-29, 2017
- Swing & Snow February 2-5, 2017
- CHARLOTTE WESTIE February 2-5, 2017
- SWINGTZERLAND February 9-12, 2017
- DANCE CAMP CHICAGO February 10-12, 2017
- CAPITAL S.D. PRESI-DENTS DAY (NASDE) February 16-19, 2017
- SWEETHEART SWING CLASSIC February 16-19, 2017
- Swing & Snow February 2-5, 2017
- ROSE CITY SWING February 16-19, 2017
- 5280 SWING DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS February 23-26, 2017
- HOLY LAND OPEN On Hiatus

