SUNDANCE GAZETTE

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SEVEN LUCKY YEARS OF SUNDANCE SALOON!

Sundance Saloon is proud to celebrate seven years of service to the community! Come join us on April 10 at Sundance Saloon for our annual Anniversary Party as we celebrate with some special entertainment, anniversary souvenirs, and free admission.

What is remarkable is that Sundance Saloon is run entirely by volunteers as a nonprofit enterprise. It has truly lived up to its promise of community serving the community. To all who have contributed to the success of Sundance Saloon over the years — and there are hundreds of you — take a moment to appreciate what we have accomplished together.

2005 has started out nicely, with a great turn-out every week at Sundance Saloon. And our support of the greater community continues. On the first Sunday of the year we raised over \$2000 for the Rainbow World Fund's tsunami relief effort. Then we raised some additional funds for the Marriage Equality project of Equality California at our Sweetheart's Ball in February.

The Sundance Association continues its partnership with RSVP cruises, offering country-western dance lessons and a night of dancing on deck on many of their large-ship cruises, most recently in the Caribbean in February.

And Sundance had a nice presence at the recent convention of the International Association of Country-Western Dance Clubs in Ft. Lauderdale, FL, featuring Sundance DJ's, sponsoring a pool party, organizing meetings, and promoting our own Sundance Stompede. We look forward to returning their hospitality this October, when it's our turn to host an IAGLCWDC convention as a part of our Sundance Stompede (see the article on the reverse for more details).

Speaking of the Stompede, advance registration is now open. Go to all of the events all weekend long for one low price. Or show your extra support by becoming a host sponsor of the Sundance Stompede. You can find mail-in registration forms at Sundance Saloon, or at www.stompede.com, where you can also register on-line.











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Sundays, 5 – 10:30pm 550 Barneveld Ave., San Francisco

EARLIER HOURS CONTINUE

Sundance Saloon continues with its earlier hours, 5:00 to 10:30pm. This has proved to be a popular change for many.

Join us for open dancing from 5:00 to 5:30pm, with pizza available for a small donation until it runs out. Lessons run from 5:30 to 7:15pm, with breaks for open dancing, so you can come early and dance all night! Then it's on to open dancing until closing at 10:30pm.

7TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY APRIL 10

Sundance Saloon has been here for seven years of two-steppin' and line dancin' every Sunday! We thank you for your support. Celebrate with us as we throw a birthday party for ourselves April 10, with anniversary souvenirs, entertainment, and free admission.

We'll be open our usual hours from 5:00 to 10:30pm (with lessons 5:30 - 7:15).

COMING UP IN THE GREEN ROOM

Catch up on your line dances! April 10, 17 and 24 in the Green Room will feature line dance lessons. These are dropin lessons, with no advance registration and no additional fee. At 5:30pm we'll spend plenty of time with a beginning-level line dance aimed at getting new dancers comfortable with line dancing. Then at 6:15pm we'll move on to one of the more advanced dances that have been introduced in the past couple of years. Check out the instruction schedule at www.sundancesaloon.org.

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SUNDANCE STOMPEDE NEWS

This year's edition of the Sundance Stompede is promising to be our most elaborate and memorable ever. You can look forward to three nights of spectacular dance events, a huge array of dance



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workshops, dance exhibitions, entertainment, conferences, and more social events than ever.

The International Association of Gay/ Lesbian Country-Western Dance Clubs (IAGLCWDC) joins us again for their semi-annual convention, and so we expect hundreds of visitors to descend on San Francisco from across the U.S., Canada and Europe. Many of us were in Ft. Lauderdale in March for their IAGLCWDC convention, and we're looking forward to returning their hospitality.

We're excited about our new host hotel, the Holiday Inn Golden Gate-

way, at Van Ness and California. You'll find guest rooms with fabulous San Francisco views, plenty of spacious public rooms for dance workshops and conferences (without obstructing pillars!), and comfortable amenities like a casual bar and restaurant on-site, all in a nice neighborhood with plenty of nearby restaurants.

We also have a new location for our Saturday night Hoedown, the beautiful turn-of-the-century Regency Ballroom, with its 6000-square foot permanent hardwood floor. It's located just two blocks from the host hotel (can you spell "convenient?"), giving you just one more reason to stay at the hotel.

We could certainly use your help and input! Participating in the planning process is ultimately the most rewarding way to be involved, as you see your efforts turn into reality. Whether you have particular skills or just want to lend a casual hand, we invite you to the next Stompede Planning Meeting, April 3, 5:30 to 7:00pm, at Sundance Saloon (550 Barneveld Ave., S.F.).

We're ready to accept your advance registration for the 2005 Sundance Stompede. Mail-in forms are on the back of the Sundance Stompede flyer, or you can register on-line at www.stompede.com.

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GOTCHA GOOD

4 wall, intermediate line dance

Music: I'm Gonna Getcha Good - Shania Twain

count	step
1, 2 3, 4	Touch R heel forward, step R together Touch L heel forward, step L together
5, 6 7&8 9, 10 11&12	Step R across L, recover weight on L Shuffle R,L,R to the right Step L across R, recover weight on R Shuffle L,R,L to the left
13 14 15&16 17, 18	Step R across L turning $\frac{1}{4}$ to left Pivot on ball of R a full turn to the left (end with weight on L) Shuffle forward R,L,R Step forward on ball of L, turn $\frac{1}{2}$ to right stepping down on R
19 20 21 22 23, 24	Step L forward while turning ½ to right Step R backward while turning ½ to right Step L forward while turning ½ to right Step R backward Step L backward, recover weight to R
25&26 27&28 29,30 31&32	Shuffle forward L,R,L Shuffle forward R,L,R Step forward on ball of L, turn $\frac{1}{2}$ to right stepping down on R Shuffle forward L,R,L

COMMUNITY NEWS

Make your plans for yet another IAGLCWDC convention this year! The Best Little Hoedown in Texas hosted by Texas Twisters is June 30 - July 4, 2005 in Dallas, Texas. Great night-time dance parties, over 50 hours of dance workshops, and more. They say it's gonna be HOT! ... Matt Ellinger of the Barbary Coast Cloggers continues his 3-week clogging class each month. Next series is April 4-11-18, 7:30-10:00pm at the Jon Sims Center, 1519 Mission St, San Francisco. Info: www.barbarycoast.org (note we got the website address wrong in the last newsletter) ... Mark Weigle has just released his new 2-CD set, SoulSex, with 26 new original songs. Wrestling the Angel is an acoustic-based album, personal and political, and Versatile is all about sex, from raunchy to spiritual. Check out www.markweigle.com ... Remember – the Best Buck In The Bay (Bay Area Rodeo) has moved to Sept. 16–18, 2005. (There is no San Diego Rodeo this year, which traditionally occupied this same time slot.) ... Check out our website for much more community information at www.sundancesaloon.org.

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