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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The Sundance Association wishes you a very happy new year. 2006 was a true banner year for Sundance. We saw the expansion of Sundance Saloon to two nights a week, the debut of Sundance Saloon Internet Radio, and even a LGBT country-western dance cruise with RSVP. Add to that a wonderful weekend of country-western dancing with the Sundance Stompede, special community events including dancing at San Francisco Pride and the Castro Street Fair, and our continued support of the greater LGBT community, and it adds up to a year to be proud of.

This past quarter was a full one, the highlight being the Sundance Stompede where we offered 30 hours of dance instruction and four huge nights of dancing. We welcomed hundreds of visitors from out-of-town, showing them some great San Francisco hospitality. And this year's Stompede raised

an amazing \$13,190 for the AIDS/Breast Cancer Emergency Funds and the Larkin Street Youth Services. Thanks again to all of the volunteers, sponsors, donors, and participants who made it all happen.

Other special events made for a memorable season. We delighted in dancing all afternoon at the Castro Street Fair in October. Our Halloween Party saw more costumes than ever. And in December the Holiday Ball saw Sundance Saloon transformed into a wonderland of lights and sound, as we collected dozens of toys for Mama's Toy Drive, and everyone got "leid" again.

Ready for more? Well polish your boots, and come on down to Sundance Saloon for the Bay Area's Best Dancing. 2007 promises more of the same great two-stepping and line dancing – don't miss any of it!

SUNDAYS IN THE GREEN ROOM

Thursdays, 6:30 - 10:30pm

Sundays, 5 - 10:30pm

550 Barneveld Ave., San Francisco

On Sundays in the Green Room we feature a different series of classes each month. In general, space is limited and advance registration is recommended. A 4-week series is \$15 in addition to the Sundance Saloon admission charge. (No one turned away for lack of funds.)

Info: registration@sundancesaloon.org

JAN – Beginning-intermediate waltz with Charles Sterck. 4 wks, starts |an 7.

FEB – Line dance review, drop-in, no advance registration, no extra fee. Feb 11, 18, 25 only.

MAR – Intermediate West Coast Swing with Ken Gourley. 4 wks, starts Mar 4.

SWEETHEART'S BALL FEB. 11

Bring your sweetheart, or find a new one at Sundance Saloon on Feb. II, as we bring back the hit of last winter's season, the Sweetheart's Ball and UNDERWEAR PARTY. No, we're not requiring you to shed your jeans – last year Christopher Johnson wore his underwear over his jeans! But for the more adventurous among you, we'll have a free clothes/coat-check that night, so you can undress for the occasion. Shadow dance, anyone?

HOLIDAY CLOSURES AND HOURS

Sunday, Dec 31

Closed - New Year's Eve

Sunday, Feb 18

9:30 early close - President's Day Wkd

SCENES FROM THE SUNDANCE STOMPEDE













SUNDANCE SALOON 24/7! Listen to Sundance Saloon Internet Radio www.sundancesaloon.org

From two-steppin' classics to the latest releases, and a line dance at the top of each hour!

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INTERMEDIATE WEST COAST SWING INTENSIVE

with Steve Rockwell

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20 • I-5pm

Free for Sundance Association members

(others welcome, space permitting)

This will be a great afternoon of workshops to review basic strategies for adding intermediate material into basic social dancing, ways to better connect with a partner, as well as a few simple syncopations so that you and the music "groove" together. This will be a relaxed and social afternoon, with emphasis on having fun, working out our kinks and upping our dance level with fun intermediate moves and show-off bits.

This workshop will be held in San Francisco and is free to members of the Sundance Association, with others welcome as space permits. No partners necessary. Note that as a prerequisite you MUST be comfortable with basic West Coast Swing patterns, including turns, tucks and 8-count whips.

Register in advance at register@sundancesaloon.org, and indicate:

- your name
- are you a Sundance Association member?
- · lead or follow?
- contact information: e-mail AND phone number

We'll email you back to confirm your space or waitlist status.

COMMUNITY NEWS

- **★ The Peach Stampede,** May 25-27, Atlanta, GA. Make your plans for the next IAGLCWDC convention, with dances, workshops, exhibitions, competition and more! Info: www.hoedown2007.com.
- **★ The GSGRA rodeo circuit** dates for 2007: the San Diego Rodeo is Jun 1–3, Los Angeles is Aug 3–5, Bay Area Rodeo is Sep 14–16. Also coming up: the Phoenix Rodeo Jan 12–14. Complete IGRA calendar at www.igra.com
- ★ Local dance opportunities abound, including Queer Ballroom/ Jitterbugs in San Francisco, the Trip the Light Fantastic Friday Women's Dance (formerly Hot-To-Trot) in Oakland, Club 1220 in Walnut Creek, and more! Check out www.sundancesaloon.org.

EASY ON THE EYES

4-wall line dance

Music: "Easy On The Eyes" - Terri Clark

| count | step |
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| 1, 2 3, 4 5, 6 7& 8& | Step R to the right; step L behind R Step R to the right; brush L over R Step L to the left; step R behind L Step L to the left; step R in front of L Step L to the left; kick R forward |
| 9, 10 11, 12 13 14-16 | Step R back; step L back Step R back; touch L next to R Jump forward on both feet bumping hips forward Bump hips forward 3 times with weight on L |
| 17-18 19-20 21-22 23-24 | Step R forward with body roll Body roll with weight on R Step L forward with body roll Body roll with weight on L |
| 25, 26 27&28 29, 30 31&32 | Rock R forward; recover on L Shuffle in place R,L,R with ½-turn to the right Rock L forward; recover on R Shuffle in place L, R, L with ¾-turn to the right |

2007 SUNDANCE STOMPEDE OCTOBER 18–21, 2007

NEXT PLANNING MEETING: JANUARY 14

The 2007 Sundance Stompede returns to the Golden Gateway Holiday Inn (Van Ness and California), October 18-21, for another fantastic weekend of country-western dancing. We'll have four nights of dancing, hours of amazing dance workshops, and all the extras that make the weekend so special. And the Saturday night Hoedown will be back at the gorgeous Regency Ballroom, with its expansive hardwood dance floor, just two blocks from the host 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. We invite you to the next Stompede Planning Meeting: Sunday, January 14, 5:30–7:00pm, in the Red Room at Sundance Saloon (upstairs from the Green Room).

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