



# Swinging Stars

## Square and Round Dance Club

*Newsletter for January 6, 2013*

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### **1st QUARTER DUES ARE DUE**

#### **Membership Dues:**

The dues for the first quarter of 2013 are due. Dues are due the first Swinging Stars dance of each quarter. The quarters start January, April, July and October. If you are not sure if your dues have been paid for the 1st quarter, please contact the Treasurer, Jim and Debbie Reid. [jimbobreid@gmail.com](mailto:jimbobreid@gmail.com)

You may send you payment to the address listed below. Or bring your payment to our next dance, if you have not already done so.

Dues are:   \$35.00 per quarter per couple  
              \$70.00 per half year per couple (preferred)  
              \$140.00 per year per couple

**Please make your check payable to Swinging Stars**  
**Thank you for paying your dues in a timely manner.**

Jim and Debbie Reid  
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## **VISITATIONS THIS WEEK**



**Dance of Interest**  
**Saturday, January 12.**  
**Diamond Jubileers Snowman Dance**  
**Caller: Paul Kinsey. Cuer: Mel Neuman**  
**Early Rounds 7:00. Workshop 7:30. Grand March 8:00.**  
**Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820 at the Anglin Drive exit, Ft. Worth**  
**CARPPOOL!**

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# SWINGING STARS

38TH Anniversary Dance



## Anniversary Dance for 2013

**Date: Friday, January 25, 2013**

**Location: Shepherd Elementary School**

**Callers: Wayne Baldwin and Guest Caller Nasser Shukayr**

**Cuer: Walter Brewer**

**Theme: Dancing with the Stars**

**Early Rounds at 7:00**

**Squares at 8:00**

Happy 2013 from Russ and Anne NejdI, the chairs of Swinging Stars 38<sup>th</sup> annual Anniversary Dance. By now, you are probably well aware that the theme of this dance is "Dancing with the Stars" which happens to be my all-time favorite TV show (Anne's favorite). If you are familiar with the show, everyone including the audience is dressed in the flashiest clothes. You may wear square dance attire, tuxedos optional, but dressy gowns would fit in the theme of the dance. No outfit would be too outrageous. Russ will be wearing his tuxedo.

Helen and Barry Feldman are the chairs of the decorating committee. You will be astounded by the clever and flashy decorators they have pulled together for this dance...no pyrotechnics, but lights and dazzle, yes. Barry and Helen thank those of you have loaned your holiday star decorations to the club before you have stored them up in the attic. I am sure they would agree to a loan of additional stars to decorate the dance hall and dining room if you have any. Please contact Helen at [hfeldman73@yahoo.com](mailto:hfeldman73@yahoo.com) or you may call 972.250.6815. The after party will be hosted by Ken and Vickie Bullock. Maps and directions to their home will be distributed at the dance.

We have less than 3 weeks to complete our plans including filling the open slots on the sign-up sheets for food and committee positions. I had mentioned in the last newsletter, I would be calling those of you who have not signed up yet, but a cold and laryngitis took my voice, but it has returned so I **YOU WILL BE HEARING FROM ME THIS WEEK** if you have not signed up for a slot yet. If you are not going to be able to attend the dance, please email or call me so I do not bother you.

My email address is [Yo\\_Red@verizon.net](mailto:Yo_Red@verizon.net) or you may reach me at 972-964-5979.

Later in January, I will send out an email reminding you what you agreed to bring and the committee you volunteered to work. Each committee chair will get a roster showing the times and volunteers for each time slot.

Russ and Anne NejdI

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Be sure to

## ADVERTISE OUR 38TH ANNIVERSARY DANCE

Talk it up when you are visiting with your fellow dancers and friends.



### Dancing with the Stars

Our January calendars has several clubs listed for visitation. Please review the list of clubs to be visited and plan to attend as many as you can. Perhaps you have a different club that you are planning to attend please print 10 flyers and take them to the dance. Dave and I will be taking flyers to all the clubs that we will be visiting. Usually there will be a place for you put the flyers for people to see and take. Most important be sure to give one to the caller or cuer and have them announce our Anniversary Dance.

I would like to point out that we need to do a lot of visiting these next two months. Not only do we need to visit the Rebel Rousers, Reelers and Kissin Kuzzins we need to have larger numbers visiting the other clubs that we have scheduled for visitation. We would love to have a large turn out for our Anniversary dance. One way to achieve this result is for us to visit more clubs and advertise our Anniversary dance. You would be surprised how much difference this will make in the number of visitors we get.

I am attaching the flyer of our anniversary dance. Please be sure to copy and take it with you to any unscheduled dances that you might attend. This can be to a round dance or square dance. Thank you in advance for your help in making our 38th Anniversary dance a huge success. Go Swinging Stars!

Click the following link for the flyer: [http://www.swingingstars.org/Dancing\\_with\\_the\\_stars.pdf](http://www.swingingstars.org/Dancing_with_the_stars.pdf)

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## EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK



**MONDAY, DECEMBER 31. ROADRUNNERS. Roaring 20's Party.** Wayne Baldwin and Rick Smith along with Karen Gloodt kept the floor hopping to some of our favorite tunes as we waited for the New Year to arrive. The Roadrunners are a fun group and there were a lot of costumes from circa 1920. There were flappers and gangsters and a traditional 1920 cigarette girl. There were snacks all during the evening and at 12:00 we had Black-eyed peas. After the strike of 12 we danced the first square dance tip of 2013.

We wish more of you were there to ring in the New Year with us. Thank you to Richard and Jan Covington, Mel and Sondra Foust and Dave and Lorraine Burson for driving the distance to be with our caller on News Year Eve.

## **NEW YEARS EVE**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 31. Rebel Rousers New Year Eve Dance** Thank you Bob Pitts for this glowing report. A whopping 27 Swinging Stars paid a visit to the Rebel Rousers New Year's Eve dance Monday night, the 31st of December, to welcome 2013. The rounds were cued by Christine and Theron Hixson and their puppy Pecan (aka Beernut) while the squares were called by the continuously effervescent Mike and Dee Bramlett. A full hour of early rounds led the evening followed by alternating rounds and squares. Mike's flexed his creative spirit by introducing how each call related to the number 13 with some quite far fetched methods that may require auditing by the American Callers Association. Mike even cued one round dance (a purported Phase 9+ two step that included a flying head scissors) while Christine attended to a computer malfunction.

The Rebel Rousers, again, proved they were great hosts by providing an assembly of cornbreads and crock pots of black-eyed peas accompanied by plenty of vegetables and desserts. The evening was closed with cookies, ginger ale toasts, plenty of x's and o's, and our first tip of 2013 with the grand finale being the Bramlett's rendition of Fisherman's Luck. The Swinging Stars in attendance were: Gary and Peggy Amy, John and Ann Barber, Ken and Vickie Bullock, Louise Duncan, Barry and Helen Feldman, Harry and Zari Kilejian, Bob and Terri Pitts, Andy and Debbie Piziali, Frank and Julie Ramirez, John Smith and Mary Hardin, Ron and Donita See, Frank and Maryann Starrett, Fred and Thelma Underwood, Joe and Colby Whitaker.

## **Dance of Interest**

**Friday, January 4. Texas Reelers**      **No report was given**

## **Official Visitation**

**Saturday, January 5. Solitaries, Hello 2013 Dance.**

Guest Caller: Joey Duhamel, Club Cuer: J L Pelton. Thank you Linda Harris for your report from the visitation. And thank you to Charlie and Linda Harris, Jim and Knarik Bondi, Peter and Jeanne Rickert and Ron and Donita See for attend this official visitation. I do apologize for the mix up in the address for the dance location. I was out of town and did not get the message that the address was wrong until the dance was over.

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# **EVENTS FOR JANUARY**

## **Swinging Stars Club Dance**

**Friday, January 11. Regular Club Dance**

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: Walter Brewer

Square dance Workshop: 7:30 . Square dancing 8:00.

We hope all the new dancers will come and enjoy the fun we have at our club dances.

Shepard Elementary School, 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano

Everyone is invited to Mama's Pizza after the dance for some fun, laughter, food, interesting discussions etc. Mama's Pizza is located at Parker and Custer.



### **Dance of Interest**

#### **Friday, January 12. Diamond Jubileers Snowman Dance**

Caller: Paul Kinsey. Cuer: Mel Neuman

Early Rounds 7:00. Workshop 7:30. Grand March 8:00.

Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820 at the Anglin Drive exit, Ft. Worth

### **Official Visitation**

#### **Friday, January 18. Triangle Squares 38th Anniversary Winter Ball Dance.**

Guest Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones, Club Caller and Cuer: Toby Thomason

Early Rounds 7:30 Grand March: 8:00.

Denton Senior Center, 509 N. Bell Street, Denton Texas

### **Dance of Interest**

#### **Saturday, January 19. Rebel Rousers Sock Hop. "Socks for the homeless dance".**

They will be collecting socks for homeless.

Guest Caller: Scott Bennett Cuer: Christine Hixson

Early Rounds: 7:30 Grand March 8:00

Richardson Senior Center. 820 W. Arapaho Rd., Richardson

### **Dance of Interest**

#### **Sunday, January 20. Harvest Holiday Winter Fun Rounds.**

Presents an afternoon of Round Dancing. Phase 2, 3 , and 4.

Cueing by Area Instructors

2:00 to 5:00 P M

Donations: \$7.00 per dancer

All Proceeds to be Donated to Swingtime Center

Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820 @ Anglin in Fort Worth.Swingtime Center

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### **Ladies Luncheon**

Monday, January 21. The Luncheon will be hosted by Peggy Pharr at Mimi's in Allen. The time is 12:00. Mimi's is located at 810 W. McDermott Dr. You can go to [www.mimiscafe.com](http://www.mimiscafe.com) and check them out. Please let Peggy Pharr know if you are planning to attend by Friday January 18 at [pjp0901@juno.com](mailto:pjp0901@juno.com) or 972-843-3991.



### **Swinging Stars Club Dance**

#### **Friday, January 25.**

#### **Swinging Stars 38th Anniversary Dancing With the Stars Dance.**

Caller: Wayne Baldwin Guest Caller: Nasser Shukayr

Cuer: Walter Brewer

Square dance Workshop: 7:00 . Grand March 8:00.

Shepard Elementary School, 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano

Everyone is invited to Ken and Vickie Bullock's as they will be hosting the after party at their home. Maps and directions to their home will be provided at the Anniversary Dance. We hope to see everyone at the dance and the after party.

## **Dance of Interest**

### **Saturday, January 26. Dixie Chainers Dance.**

Caller: Vernon Jones Cuer: Jack von der Heide.

Early Rounds: 7:00 Grand March 7:30.

Be sure to note the time. They start their dances a little earlier. So if you are late you have missed to much of the fun.

Farmers Branch Senior Center 14055 Dennis at Valwood.



## **NORTEX QUARTERLY MEETING**

**Sunday, January 27**

The meeting will start at 2:00. We have as Delegates: Dave and Lorraine Burson, Charlie and Linda Harris and Chris and Merry Trujillo. We welcome anyone that would like to learn more about the NORTEX organization to join us at the meeting. For those that don't know the NORTEX is the larger association made up of all the clubs in the North Texas area. The meeting is at Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820 @ Anglin in Fort Worth.



## **North Texas Callers Association**

**Sunday January 27.**

**NTCA Singing Call/Round Dance of the Year Dance.**

This is always a fun dance. Who will be doing the most ask for Singing Call and Round Dance of the year? The dance starts at 7:30. Callers and Cuers will be the most voted for out of the North Texas area.

Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820 @ Anglin in Fort Worth.

Come and bring some friends with you. Car pooling is fun

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## **ROUND DANCE LESSONS**

The Swinging Stars will be sponsoring beginner round dance lessons with instructors JL and Linda Pelton at Carpenter Rec Center. JL and Linda have instructed round dancing for several years and have a successful intermediate round dance club on Thursday nights at the Plano Senior Center. Lessons will begin Tuesday, March 19 at 7:00PM and continue each Tuesday night for 11 weeks. Our hope is to continue lessons through the year, teaching students all the rhythms commonly danced at square dances – cha-cha, rumba, two step, waltz, foxtrot, and jive. The first class will teach cha-cha and rumba. This will be a great opportunity for interested couples to enter the tremendously enjoyable activity of round dancing. Students may register in person at Carpenter Rec Center (west side of Coit Road south of Legacy) or online through the Plano Parks and Recreation catalog beginning the first Saturday in March. If you want to round dance, please make your plans to sign up.

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# REFRESHMENTS DUTY AND INFORMATION

## Refreshment Schedule – December 2012 Through March 2013

Lead couple is first name on the list.

January 11	Perrott, Starrett, Jimison, Kendrick
January 25	Anniversary Dance - All Club Members Help
February 8	Hardin/Smith, Trujillo, Ramirez*, Underwood
February 22	Piziali, Ryder, Foust*, McGuire
March 8	Maier, Morse, Kilejian*, Evanto

Names with an \* should not appear as the lead couple.

The lead couple should contact all members on the team to be sure they know the following:

- What they are going to bring for refreshments.
- Arrive at dance by 7:00 pm. As per our contract with PISD, we cannot enter the gym before 7:00.
- Enter thru the Gym door.
- Refreshments shut down at 9:30 pm (no earlier).
- If you take home a refreshment bag check that it has all the items listed on the Fluorescent Hang Tag on the bag.
- Be sure all items are clean.
- Repack bags in a Tidy Manner.

Thank you all for serving on our Refreshment Team.

### Refreshment Duty Reminders:

- If you have a conflict with the Refreshment Schedule
- Please contact someone on the refreshment list to trade with you.
- Notify the refreshment schedulers: Jeff & Anne Stuart at 972-699-1317 or email: [jwstuart@flash.net](mailto:jwstuart@flash.net) with the names of your schedule changes.
- Attend the dance prior to your turn for refreshments to pick up the three bags. If unable to do so be sure that someone picks them up for you.
- Check refreshment Bags for the info regarding “Refreshment Duty Tips” and “List of Items Supplied by the Club”.
- Contact Ralph and Lucy Hamm at 214-872-7219 or [rehamm45@grail.com](mailto:rehamm45@grail.com) for supplies prior to purchasing by Monday prior to club dance. We may already have what you need. Starting in February 2013 the new First VP contact is: Mark & Karen Hawkins at 972-436-4868 or [markt.karenl@gmail.com](mailto:markt.karenl@gmail.com)

### Schedule of advertised Theme Dances thru March 2013.

January 25, 2013  Anniversary Dance

February 22, 2013  Mid Winter Dance

March 22, 2013  March Madness

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**Monday, December 31 Road Runners Roaring 20's "New Years Eve Dance"**

**Friday, January 25th. Swinging Stars Anniversary Dance.**

**Sunday, January 27th. Singing call and Round Dance of the year**

**Tuesday, March 19 Swinging Star Round Dance Lessons**

**Tuesday, June 11 Plus Lessons**

**Tuesday, August 27 Mainstream Lessons**

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## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS:**

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### **Out of Town and Weekend Dances:**

For information about weekend dances go to our Web Page [www.swingingstars.org](http://www.swingingstars.org) and click on Weekends.

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**Dave and Lorraine Burson**

**Swinging Stars President**

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