



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for November 5th, 2017

From Russ and Anne Nejd, Swinging Stars Presidents:

The Swinging Stars visited the Heritage at Twin Oaks nursing home on Tuesday to entertain some very sweet guests with square dancing. The room was filled with costumed staff (it was Halloween), residents, and their families. Wayne called some really old songs that everyone sang along to – even those with memory issues. We were able to engage some of the more mobile residents to dance with us for one tip – but we did seem to tucker them out. Everyone seemed to enjoy our dancing as much as we enjoyed dancing for them. We noticed a lot of cell phones recording the dance. Thank you to Wayne and Jodie for helping us. We also wish to thank the Sees, Perry and Bushell, and the Deans who joined Russ and me on this cold and damp day. The home has begged us to come back over the Christmas holidays.

Don't miss our club dance on Friday night when we will be honoring all our veterans with the posting our flag by the American Legion Post 321. Walter and Eula will be out of town so our own JL Pelton will be cuing the rounds.

Russ and Anne Nejd

Announcements

Fall Mainstream Lessons – Tuesdays, September 5th to December 19th, 7:15 PM to 9:15 PM

We had just one square due to Halloween falling on our lesson night. This week the students learned spin the top from all positions. Actually Wayne has said this class is so advanced he is calling DBD calls (dance by definition). We plan to invite the students to our Holiday Party on December 1st and hope they all attend.

Round Dance Lessons (submitted by JL & Linda Pelton)

Winter Beginning Two Step Classes -- Tuesday Nights -- Carpenter Recreation Center will start in January. Our class didn't make the catalog because of a snafu with the previous coordinator -- but, we've received word we can run the class in the multipurpose room downstairs starting in January. We'll have more specific information on dates in a few weeks, but we have asked for this schedule:

Beginning Two Step – Tuesday nights – January 9 through February 27 – 7:00-9:00 PM
Once registration opens, we will let everyone know the details.

Basic Refresher Lessons Update -- Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. -
Plano Senior Center

We've been fine tuning our Latin skills these past two weeks and have taught the very popular Phase 3 Cha Cha, Welcome to New York that many of the cuers in the area have been cuing the last two months. We've also worked on Fan, Hockey stick, and Serpiente figures. We will be moving into refreshing some Two Step and Waltz figures over the next few weeks.

We will not be dancing November 11 as that is Veteran's Day.

Club Holiday Party (submitted by Linda Harris)

Need head count for the caterer by Monday Nov 27th Swinging Stars Holiday Party -- Holiday Party!! Friday December 1st, Haggard Party Barn. If you have not registered yet, please do so now! Get your money in early! \$42.00 per couple. The Evening includes catered BBQ dinner with all the fixins', beer and margaritas, dancing and fun. You can mail your check PAYABLE to Betty Wheaton 6102 Lakeshore Dr, Rowlett, TX 75089. Or you can bring cash or your check (payable to Betty) to an upcoming dance. Thank you Betty for your continued support. The following is a link to a flyer for the Swinging Stars Holiday Party:

http://www.swingingstars.org/Xmas_Party2017.pdf

Holiday Cash Gift for Custodial Support Staff Shepard Custodians (Miguel and Gabriel) continue to support our club needs for dances. Please be generous and contribute to their Holiday Cash Gift from the Swinging Stars. Last year we were able to raise \$300. We need your support to match that again this year! Linda and Charlie will have a donation box available at our upcoming dances/events so please help Thank you!

Officers for 2018 Board

Thank you to our outstanding nominating committee: Ralph and Lucy Hamm, Chris and Merry Trujillo, and Nevin and Sara Mulvin for their dedication finding our club a slate of officers for 2018. We will be voting on the selections at our club meeting on November 12th, but here are the members who agreed to serve. Thank you incoming officers for supporting the club.

President:	Dave and Lorraine Burson
First Vice President	Walt and Diana Whipple
Second Vice President	Ron and Donita See
Secretary	Peter and Jeanne Rickert
Treasurer	Charlie and Linda Harris

4th Quarter Dues are Due (submitted by Nevin Mulvin)

Please note that the 4th Qtr. Dues are due at the next Swinging Stars Square Dance or mail your check made out to the Swinging Stars to our current treasurer Nevin R Mulvin at 3409 Eisenhower Lane, Plano TX 75023-3933.

The dues are \$45.00 per couple per quarter.

Thanks,

Nevin and Sara Mulvin
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Swinging Stars Club Meeting

Our club's semi-annual club meeting will be on Sunday, November 12th at 3:00 PM at the Addison Spring Creek BBQ (14941 Midway Rd, Addison). I have reserved the back room. Agendas and minutes from the last meeting, financial reports and officer reports will be sent out prior to the meeting. Please try to attend. We will be voting on the new officers for the club and have some other things we would need to discuss and vote on as a club.

Happening This Week

Tuesday, October 31st – Mainstream Lessons – Carpenter Rec Center – 7:15 PM to 9:15 PM

Friday, November 10th – Swinging Stars Honoring our Veterans Dance - Wayne Baldwin & JLPelton - 7:00 PM Mainstream Workshop – 7:45 PM Plus- 8:00 PM Grand March

Saturday, November 11th – Dixie Chainers 59th Anniversary Dance Celebrating Veterans Day (Official) – Vernon Jones & Jack von der Heide – 7:00 PM – Early Rounds and Workshop – 7:30 PM - Grand March

Sunday, November 12th – Swinging Star Club Meeting – Spring Creek BBQ in Addison – 3 PM

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By Bob and Terri Pitts

This Friday is our Swinging Stars' Salute to Veterans dance and Saturday is the Dixie Chainers' 59th Anniversary Veterans Appreciation dance, so put your red, white, and blue attire at the front of your closet to be handy for the dances this weekend.

Special note... we seem to be shy of just one or two couples in getting a club visitation signature sometimes on Saturdays and definitely on Thursdays. On November 30th, we have an official visitation to the Lone Star Solos' anniversary dance which is on a Thursday and we need to retrieve our banner, so plan ahead if you are available and can attend – thanks. Also note the location is different than their usual dances.

As always, you are welcome to send BRIEF visitation write ups for inclusion in the newsletters.

Club Visitations

Kissin' Kuzzins – Yellow Rose of Texas Dance, 03Nov17 – Thank you to the 21 Swinging Stars who danced with the Kuzzins Friday night. Early rounds and rounds between tips were cued by JL Pelton. Texas Hall of Fame caller, Wayne Baldwin, called the mainstream and plus tips and even debuted a new song for us. This was a vibrant well attended dance. Nice work Stars – we got our banner back and theirs too.

Circle I – Veterans Day Salute, 04Nov17 – Thank you to the 7 Swinging Stars who danced with Circle I club on Saturday night. Early rounds and rounds between tips were cued by Chris Farabaugh. Ray Savell called a workshop and the mainstream and plus tips for the evening. Ray's workshop calls were triple scoot back and man lead dixie style to an ocean wave.

Friendship Banner Status

Our current banner inventory is shown below. If you visit a club whose banner we have, please don't bring home another one.

Other Clubs' Banners on our Wall		Swinging Stars' Banners Out	
Club	Date Captured	Club	Date Captured
Cotton Pickin' Squares	25-Mar-2017	Lone Star Solos	31-Mar-2017
Log Cabin Swingers	06-May-2017	Ft. Worth Squares	29-Jul-2017
Texas Reelers	04-Aug-2017		
Circle I	05-Aug-2017		
Dixie Chainers	26-Aug-2017		
Triangle Squares	30-Sep-2017		
Rebel Rousers	14-Oct-2017		
Kissin' Kuzzins	03-Nov-2017		

Coming Events

Swinging Stars – Honoring Veterans

Date: Friday, 10Nov17
Caller: Wayne Baldwin
Cuer: JL Pelton
Time: WS – 7:00PM, PL – 7:45PM, GM – 8:00PM
Location: Shepard Elementary School
1000 Wilson Drive, Plano, TX

Dixie Chainers – Veterans Appreciation 59th Anniversary (Official)

Date: Saturday, 11Nov17
Caller: Vernon Jones
Cuer: Jack von der Heide
Time: ER – 7:00PM, GM – 7:30PM
Location: Farmers Branch Senior Center
14055 Dennis Lane, Farmers Branch

Swinging Stars – Club Meeting

Date: Sunday, 12Nov17
Time: Meeting – 3:00PM
Location: Addison Spring Creek BBQ
14941 Midway Road, Addison
Note: Be there to help elect the new officers

Lone Star Solos – 53rd Anniversary (Official)

Date: Thursday, 30Nov17
Caller: Dave Vieira, Bobby Willis
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: ER – 7:00PM, GM – 7:30PM
Location: Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
3217 Guthrie Road, Garland
Note: Wear royal blue

Other Events

November Ladies Luncheon - Hash House A Go Go, 08Nov17

It is going to be fun to attend this month's pick for the Ladies Luncheon. Mary Hardin is the hostess and has chosen a new venue for us to try. The date is Nov 8, 2017 at 11:30. I am looking forward to this new (to us) restaurant. It is a hip chain serving creative, market-fresh American brunches & dinners, plus their signature Bloody Marys. It faces Park Blvd. across the street from the Blue Goose. Located in Preston Park Village at 1900 Preston Rd #343, Plano, TX. Please RSVP to Mary Hardin by November 6th at mrhardin39@gmail.com so she will have ample time to confirm our reservations. Check out their menu by going to www.hashhouseagogo.com. I hope this is a better date for everyone, since later in the month everyone will be thinking about Thanksgiving. We hope to see all of you there.

Refreshments Duty and Information

Team leader should contact their team members the week before the dance prior to their scheduled dance so that each member can pick up a Refreshment Bag after that dance. Team members are responsible for finding a replacement if they are unable to fulfill their scheduled obligation (refer to the schedule below for possible subs – see current roster for email address or phone number). Teams are responsible for food of their choice, ice and 5 tablecloths which can be purchased at any Walmart or Dollar Tree. If you need supplies contact Jan Bergeson. Please do not buy supplies without first checking with the Bergesens. If you have additional questions, call or text Mark and Karen Hawkins (M 214.536.5863 or K 214.537.0446).

November 10 – **Deluke**, Hawkins, Kilejian, Whipple (Theme – Honor Our Veterans)

December 8 – **Bondi**, Feldman, Jung, Stewart (Theme – Good Samaritan)

January 12 – **Rose**, Bushell/Perry, Edwards, Mosher

January 26 – **Perrott**, Elliott, Evanto, Nestor (New Dancer Dance – Boot Scootin' Boogie)

Important dates for this year (you should have these on your calendar!):

November 12, 2017 – Semi Annual Club Meeting

December 1, 2017 – Swinging Stars Holiday Party

March 23, 2018 – Swinging Stars 43rd Anniversary Dance

For information about weekend dances, go to our Web Page www.swingingstars.org and click on Weekends.

Remember our Sunshine person is Lucy Hamm, and you can email her at llhamm45@gmail.com or phone her at 214-872-7219. Please contact her with anything that we need to be aware of in regards to sickness or other issues.

Russ & Anne Nejd

Swinging Stars Presidents

Email: president@swingingstars.org

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Swinging Stars **Honoring Veterans**

Friday, November 10th

Shepard Elementary School--1000 Wilson Dr. Plano, TX.

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Guest Cuer: JL Pelton

Mainstream Workshop: 7:00

Plus Workshop 7:45

Grand March 8:00

Hot Hash after the last tip



Thank you to American Legion Post 321 for posting the colors

**Our November 25th Dance will be canceled because of Thanksgiving
Dancers Under 18 dance for free when accompanied with paying adults**

Singles Rotation board is available for Tip and Dance Partner choice

For info: 972-634-5979 or President@swingingstars.org

Visit our Web Site: swingingstars.org



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