

Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for December 30, 2012



VISITATIONS THIS WEEK

NEW YEARS EVE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 31. ROADRUNNERS. Join in on the fun for a Roaring 20's Party. A historical snapshot of life in the 20's. Several of the Swinging Stars have decided that we would like to attend this New Years Eve Party Dance this year. Some have their Roaring 20's costumes ready to go. We hope you will join us for the fun. Wayne Baldwin and Rick Smith the callers and Karen Gloodt is the cuer. 7:00 Early Rounds 9:00 Grand March 12:00 Happy New Year. Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820 @ Anglin in Fort Worth. Please read ad on Page 23 of the December Promenade for details.

For those of you not wanting to drive to Fort Worth you might be interested in

NEW YEARS EVE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 31. Rebel Rousers News Year Eve Dance.

Caller: Mike Bramlett Cuer Christine Hixson

Early Rounds 8:00 to 9:00. Grand March 9:00

For Details see ad on Page 6 of the January Promenade

Anniversary Dance update for December 30th: Please read.



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 New Year from Russ and Anne Nejd, the chairs of Swinging Stars 38th 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). I am busy hunting down mirror balls (maybe disco balls will do) while the Feldman’s (who are the chairs of the decorating committee) are creating magnificent stars twinkling with white lights.

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.

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 1 month to complete our plans including filling the open slots on the sign-up sheets for food and committee positions. I will be calling those of you who have not signed up yet after Wednesday. This may take a while to reach those of you who have been uncommitted, but I will call you. 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 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.

Finally, please look over your holiday decorations before you store them up in the attic. Helen and Barry Feldman are in charge of the decoration committee. Helen is looking for any type of stars you may loan us to help decorate the dance and dining areas. We will even accept the loan of a mirror ball if you have one.

Please contact Helen and Barry Feldman @ hfeldman73@yahoo.com or you may call 972.250.6815

Russ and Anne Nejd

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 December and January calendars will have 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

EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

Dance of Interest

Friday, December 28. Worth Forth Squares. Holiday Dance. We had one brave couple attend this dance. One of our new couples Ron and Donita See. Sorry we didn't have more to attend, but is a busy time of year. Thank you Ron and Donita for attending.

EVENTS FOR JANUARY

Dance of Interest

Friday, January 4. Texas Reelers.

Guest Caller: Dave Vieira

Cuer: Jack von der Heide

Early Rounds 7:30 Grand March 8:00

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

Official Visitation

Saturday, January 5. Solitaires, Hello 2013 Dance.

Guest Caller: Joey Duhamel, Club Cuer: J L Pelton.

Early Rounds: 7:00 Grand March: 7:45.

Webb Chapel United Methodist Church 2536 Valley View Lane Farmers Branch

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

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 and check them out. Please let Peggy Pharr know if you are planning to attend by Friday January 18 at pp0901@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

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.

REFRESHMENTS DUTY AND INFORMATION

Refreshment Schedule – December 2012 Through March 2013

Lead couple is first name on the list.

December 28	Dance Cancelled due to the school not being available to us.
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 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 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**

Schedule of advertised Theme Dances thru March 2013.

January 25, 2013  Anniversary Dance

February 22, 2013  Mid Winter Dance

March 22, 2013  March Madness



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

MEMBERSHIP NEWS:

Out of Town and Weekend Dances:

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

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