

# Swinging Stars

## Square and Round Dance Club

*Newsletter for April 23, 2017*

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**From Russ and Anne Nejd, Swinging Stars Presidents:**

The Swinging Stars ladies attended the Monthly Ladies Luncheon at the Chocolate Angel in the High Point Antique Mall. We ran into several of our square dance friends from other clubs including Connie and Rickie who have 3 display cases in the mall. Thank you Mary Hardin for hosting this fun luncheon. In attendance were Hardin, Starrett, Burson, Amy, Rose, Lassiter, Stuart, Hawkins, Pharr, Bivins, Estep, Hamm, Harris, Mulvin, and Nejd.

Graduation from square dance lessons is this Tuesday (April 25<sup>th</sup>) at Carpenter Rec Center in Plano, 6701 Coit Road. Class is from 7:15 PM to 9:15 PM. We are inviting all Swinging Stars to please come to class to welcome our new graduates. Square dance attire is optional. Come even if you cannot attend the entire class. There will be cake! Below is a picture of our students Wolfie snapped last week. You may recognize some of our students who have been coming to our dances. We are very lucky to have such a great class of new dancers. If you have any square dance clothes you would like to donate to our new dancers, bring them to class on Tuesday.



Russ and Anne Nejd

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## Announcements

**Lessons Update:**

Our students are all doing well and know all the main stream steps. We still need angels this last week of lessons so we can make a fourth square. If you come, we promise to put you in a square to dance. We want to thank all those who have showed up to angel this past week: C. Wolfe, Mulvin, Mosher, Burson, Hamm, Bondi, Bergesen, Amy, Rose, Estep, See, Feldman, T. Evanto, and Nejd. Please consider attending lessons as an angel which are held on Tuesdays from 7:15 to 9:15 at Carpenter Rec Center, 6701 Coit Road, Plano.

## **Semi-Annual Meeting**

Save the date Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 3 PM for the Swinging Stars semi-annual meeting. We have reserved Ojeda's Mexican Restaurant's back room (in Plano). In order to use that room everyone is expected to order food and drinks. Please consider ordering an appetizer and an iced tea if you do not want to eat a meal that early. The restaurant said that Sundays are a busy day for them and they are doing us a favor by letting us use that back room for our meeting. Ojeda's is located on the northwest corner of Coit and Park at 2001 Coit Road in the Park Pavilion Center. Please mark the day on your calendar. We will share the financials from the anniversary dance at that time, have elections for officers and discuss our special dance for Wayne in July.

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Dues are due:**

Please pay your dues at the next dance or mail them as soon as possible. New club dues effective January 1, 2017 are now \$22.50 per person or \$45.00 per couple per quarter. You may pay by the quarter or for the rest of the year (\$135.00). Mail your checks payable to Swinging Stars to Nevin Mulvin, our club treasurer at 3409 Eisenhower Lane, Plano, TX 75023. If you have any questions, you may email Nevin at [nrmulvin@verizon.net](mailto:nrmulvin@verizon.net). His phone number is 214-790-3908.

## **Medical News:**

Most of you won't remember Marie and Mario Lorenzoni who danced with us for just a short time years ago. They continued to come to dances and sometimes sat at the treasurer's desk to help out and give the treasurers time to dance. They always introduced themselves as M&M. I often get inquiries about them from club members as the Lorenzoni's attend the same church we do. Marie recently had a fall and broke her hip and has moved to a rehab at The Legacy. She does not know how long she will be there. If anyone would like to send a get well card to Marie, you can mail it to her at her home address: 6401 Ohio Drive #6201, Plano, TX 75024. Keep this lovely couple in your prayers.

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## **Happening This Week**

**Tuesday, April 25th – Square Dance Lessons Graduation – Carpenter Rec. Center – 7:15 PM**

**Tuesday, April 25th – Round Dance Lessons – Carpenter Rec Center – 7:30 PM**

**Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup> – Swinging Stars – Swinging in the Rain – Wayne Baldwin & Walter Brewer – Early Rounds 7:00 PM, Plus 7:45 PM, 8:00 PM Grand March**

**Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> – Roadrunners 46<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Barn Dance (Official)- K.O. Jones & Karen Gloodt – Early Rounds 7:00 PM, 8:00 PM Grand March**

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# \* \* \* 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Report \* \* \*

## Bob and Terri Pitts

Get ready for our official visitation to the Roadrunners' 46<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Barn Dance this coming Saturday. The dance is on a 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday so it should be a real party with everyone in the dancing world there. It promises to be a fun time with K.O. Jeanes (from Houston) calling and Karen Gloodt cueing for your dancing pleasure.

It is not required, but you are welcome to send a BRIEF write up on visitations we personally don't attend for inclusion in our report. Make sure to get it to us before noon Sunday.

### Recent Club Visitations

**T-Square Gadabouts Let's Swing into Spring 22<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Dance, Friday April 21st** – Thank you to the 10 Swinging Stars who attended the T-square Gadabouts' anniversary dance. Joey Duhamel called a great dance and Jack Kenny cued early and square dance rounds and new cuer Barb Yeargan also cued a couple of songs for us also. The dancing and fellowship were great, and we all enjoyed the food and the creative Spring decorations too. [The Swinging Stars attendees included: P. Amy, Bondis, T. Evanto, Perrotts, Pitts, and Sees.](#)

**Texas Reelers Old Time New Dancers Dance, Friday April 21st** – 17 seasoned Swinging Stars accompanied by 11 new dancers from class attended the Texas Reelers dance. Deborah Carroll-Jones taught us some really old dances like "Ole Nine Pin" and we learned a new formation – the Texas Star. Chris Farabaugh did a great job on rounds. We don't want to brag, but our new dancers were the best new dancers on the floor. Thank you to the Swinging Stars who attended this new dancers dance. [The Swinging Stars who attended included: Mulvin, Estep, Burson, Nejd, Harris, Hamm, Bergeson, Reid and C. Wolfe. New club members in attendance included Roman, Elliott, Tucker/Rugg and Bushnell/Perry. Other students from class who joined us were: Sarah, Shu and Alice.](#) This report was written by Nejd.

**Dixie Chainers 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Luau, Saturday April 22nd** – Thank you to the 21 Swinging Stars who attended the ever wonderful Dixie Chainers' Luau. Jack von der Heide cued fun early rounds and rounds between tips. And visiting caller, Toby Thomason, called some fun square dancing for us. Both the rounds and squares were peppered with interesting choreography that kept the dancers on their toes. [The Swinging Stars who attended include: P. Amy, Bergesens, Bondis, Bursons, Evantos, M. Hardin, Kilejians, Nejdls, Nestors, Pitts, Sees, and C. Wolfe.](#)

### Banner Status

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

Other Clubs' Banners Held by the Swinging Stars		Swinging Stars' Banners Held by Other Clubs	
Club	Date Captured	Club	Date Captured
Cotton Pickin' Squares	25-Mar-2017	Trail Blazers	24-Jun-2016
Texas Reelers	07-Apr-2017	Kissin' Kuzzins	31-Mar-2017
Dixie Chainers	08-Apr-2017	Circle I	31-Mar-2017
T-Square Gadabouts	21-Apr-2017	Roadrunners	31-Mar-2017
Texas Reelers	21-Apr-2017		

## Swinging Stars Dance Classes

### Mainstream Square Dance Lessons

Date: Tuesdays 31Jan17 thru 25Apr17  
Instructor: Wayne Baldwin  
Time: 7:15PM-9:15PM  
Location: Carpenter Park Recreation Center  
6701 Coit Road, Plano, TX 75024

### Beginning Jive Dance Lessons

Date: Tuesdays 21Mar17 thru 09May17  
Instructors: J.L. & Linda Pelton  
Time: 7:30PM-9:30PM  
Location: Carpenter Park Recreation Center  
6701 Coit Road, Plano, TX 75024

## Coming Events

### Swinging Stars – Swinging in the Rain with the Swinging Stars

Date: Friday, 28Apr17  
Caller: Wayne Baldwin  
Cuer: Walter Brewer  
Time: 7:00PM early rounds, 7:45PM plus, 8:00PM grand march  
Location: Shepard Elementary School  
1000 Wilson Drive, Plano, TX

### Roadrunners – 46<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Barn Dance (OFFICIAL)

Date: Saturday, 29Apr17  
Caller: K.O. Jeanes  
Cuer: Karen Gloodt  
Time: 7:00PM early rounds, 8:00PM grand march  
Location: Swingtime Center  
5100 SE Loop 820, Ft. Worth, TX

### NORTEX Quarterly Business Meeting

Date: Sunday, 30Apr17  
Time: 2:00PM  
Location: Swingtime Center  
5100 SE Loop 820, Ft. Worth, TX

## Other Events

### Monthly Ladies Luncheon – a note from Lorraine

The monthly Ladies Luncheon for May will be hosted by Nina Lassiter at the Allen Cheesecake Factory in the Waters Creek Mall, 820 Central Expressway Allen, Texas on May 16, at 11:30. Please R.S.V.P. to Nina by May 14th so she will have a head count to give the Cheesecake Factory as to how many will be attending. Her Phone #214-769-6032 or email [ninalassiter@gmail.com](mailto:ninalassiter@gmail.com). You can check out the menu by going to [www.cheesecakefactory.com](http://www.cheesecakefactory.com) and click on menu. The Cheesecake factory faces Central. Exit at Bethany, turn left and go under Central Expressway. Turn Left on the service road, you will see it immediately on the right. All Swinging Star ladies are invited to come and enjoy visiting and the delicious lunch. We look forward to seeing you all there.

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## **Refreshments Duty and Information**

Contact Karen Hawkins for problems or questions regarding refreshments @ [markt.karenl@gmail.com](mailto:markt.karenl@gmail.com) or text: 214-537-0446 (Karen's cell phone). Each team member is to pick up a refreshment bag at the dance prior to their refreshment duty date. Teams are responsible for ice and 5 tablecloths which may be purchased at any dollar store. If you need any supplies, contact Jan Bergesen ([janbergesen@gmail.com](mailto:janbergesen@gmail.com)).

Refreshment Committee Alert: Mark and Karen Hawkins are ready to set up the schedules for the June, July and August dances. If you know you'll be unavailable any time during the summer please email or text the Hawkins to let them know. Remember, once your name is on the refreshment schedule, you must find someone to switch with should you need to change your week. Email: [markt.karenl@gmail.com](mailto:markt.karenl@gmail.com). Text: 214-537-0446 (Karen's cell phone). Karen and Mark thank all those who took the time to let them know of upcoming vacations so as to avoid a scheduling conflict.

April 28 - **Kern**, Amy, Covington, Estep  
May 12 - **Lee**, Burson, Jung, Reid  
May 26 - **Jimison**, Bivins, Feldman, Kilejian,  
June 9 – **Whipple**, Bondi, Deluke, Kendrick  
June 23 – **Trujillo**, Evanto, Mosher, Rose  
July 14 - **Bergesen**, Hamm, Harris, Perrott

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

May 6<sup>th</sup> 2017 – Swinging Stars bus trip to Tool  
May 7, 2017 – Swinging Stars Semi-Annual Meeting  
June 11, 2017 – Swinging Stars Annual Fish Fry  
July 29, 2017 – Swinging Stars DD Dance - Wayne's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a square dance caller

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Check out and Like our Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Swinging-Stars-Square-Round-Dance-Club/278689705592854>

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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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Remember our Sunshine person is Lucy Hamm, and you can email her at [llhamm45@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:president@swingingstars.org)

**Phone:** 972-964-5979

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**Upcoming Advertised Swinging Stars Theme Dances – Flyer(s) follow below:**



# Swinging in the Rain With The

## Swinging Stars

April 28, 2017

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: Walter Brewer



Early Rounds 7:00

Plus Dancing 7:45

Grand March 8:00

Hot Hash after the last tip

Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano

Dancers under 18 dance for free when accompanied by a paying adult

Refreshments Banners Honey Pot Fun Dancing

For Info: 972-964-5979 or [president@swingingstars.org](mailto:president@swingingstars.org)



Visit our Website: [www.swingingstars.org](http://www.swingingstars.org)

# Friendship Party Bus

To Tool Texas for the Log Cabin Swingers

42 Anniversary Party

Sponsored by the Texas Reelers and the Swinging Stars

Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Bus: 5:00, Dinner: 6:30, Early Rounds: 7:00, Mainstream Dance: 7:30 to 9:30, Home: 11:00

The price of \$24.00 includes the bus ride, dinner, and dance.

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