

# Swinging Stars

## Square and Round Dance Club

*Newsletter for April 30, 2017*

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

We had a wonderful club dance on Friday night. Russ led the grand march with an open umbrella in keeping with the theme of "Swinging in the Rain". Sixty three Stars were joined by 20 visitors (8 Rebel Rousers, 8 Texas Reelers, 1 Ramblin' Rounds, 1 Model A, 1 Dixie Chainer, and 1 Independent). Our NORTEX Vice President, Debbie Anderson awarded the club their 680 club visitation badge. Also in attendance were cuers Chris Farabaugh and his wife Maria. Thank you to the refreshment team (Kern, P. Amy, and Estep) for the lovely snacks. Richard's father fell so the Covington's were unable to serve on the team but provided their share of the snacks. We appreciate the effort.

Russ and Anne Nejd

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## **Announcements**

### **Graduation from Lessons:**

Congratulation to the new dancers who graduated from the Swinging Stars mainstream lessons. 15 students completed the class. Tuesday was such a joyous class in which we just danced for the joy of it. Some members brought clothes for the students to "shop" much to the delight of the women. We have 4 new couples who have joined our club: C.J. Perry & Lon Bushell, Lisa & Brian Romans, Kathy & Keith Elliott, and Gail Ruggs & Roy Tucker. Thank you to the angels who attended the final class: Feldman, Hamm, Burson, Mosher, Bergeson, Nejd, T. Evanto, C. Wolfe, Estep, J.B, Morrison, See, D. Rhinehart, Mulvin, and P. Amy. Sam and Mary Stephens (NORTEX Presidents) and Debbie Anderson (NORTEX area Vice President) were also in attendance to welcome our new dancers to the world of square dancing.



## **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. **Watch your email for the agenda later this week.**

## **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.

## **Lost and Found:**

Several things were left behind at the dance. The I-pad left on the table fortunately had Wolfie's name on it. The Feldman's graciously took it home and arrangements were made for Wolfie to pick it up the next day. We also found a bag of erasable magic markers. Does this belong to anyone?

## **Singles White Board**

If you were at the club dance on Friday night, you may have noticed a white board and easel next to the flyer table. We are going to be advertising we have a white board for singles dancers in hopes that we can attract more visitors to our dances.

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## **Happening This Week**

**Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> – Round Dance Lessons – Carpenter Rec Center – 7:30 PM**

**Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> – Plus 4's – 7:30 PM – Charles Quisenberry**

**Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> – Kissin Kuzzins – Cinco de Mayo – Dance of Interest – Wayne Baldwin & JL Pelton – Early Rounds 7:00 PM, Grand March 8:00 PM**

**Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> – Log Cabin Swingers – 44<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance – Cinco de Mayo – Official Visitation (Bus trip to Tool) Wayne Baldwin & Walter Brewer – Early Rounds 7:00 PM. Dance 7:30 PM**

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

**Bob and Terri Pitts**

We hope you had a fun week of dancing. Time to say goodbye to April – the next visitations planned are the first weekend in May. They are two back to back two Cinco de Mayo dances. The first is with the Kissin’ Kuzzins on Friday, 05May, and the second is an official dance with the Log Cabin Swingers for their 42<sup>nd</sup> anniversary on Saturday, 06May.

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**

**Harvest Holidays Mini-Fest, Sunday 23Apr** – Thank you to the 13 Swinging Stars who joined the Harvest Holidays at Swingtime Center for their spring mini festival. There were three afternoon teaches and an evening dance. Two of the teaches taught by Jack Kenny were waltzes called Nightingale Waltz choreographed by Kristine & Bruce Nelson and The Girl That I Marry choreographed by Al & Martha Wolff. The third teach taught by JL Pelton was Rumba Lenta choreographed by JL and Linda Pelton. The fun evening dance started off with a few high level dances followed by phase II-IV program dances cued by area cuers.

**Roadrunners – 46th Anniversary Barn Dance, Saturday, 29Apr** – Thank you to the 12 Swinging Stars who attended the Roadrunners’ dance at Swingtime Center in Ft. Worth. Karen Gloodt cued more than an hour of early rounds and rounds between tips with a good selection of many different rhythms. The squares were expertly called by KO Jeans. KO kept the square dancers busy with fun choreography including one plus tip. As usual, the Roadrunners hosted a fun dance.

**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
Dixie Chainers	08-Apr-2017	Kissin’ Kuzzins	31-Mar-2017
T-Square Gadabouts	21-Apr-2017	Circle I	31-Mar-2017

**Swinging Stars Dance Classes**

**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**

### **Kissin' Kuzzins – Cinco de Mayo**

Date: Friday, 05May17  
Caller: Wayne Baldwin  
Cuer: JL Pelton  
Time: 7:00PM early rounds, 8:00PM grand march  
Location: Garland Senior Activity Center  
600 Avenue A, Garland, TX

### **Log Cabin Swingers – Cinco de Mayo (OFFICIAL)**

Date: Saturday, 06May17  
Caller: Wayne Baldwin  
Cuer: Walter Brewer  
Time: 6:30PM dinner, 7:00PM early rounds, 7:30PM grand march  
Location: Promenade Hall  
1210 N. Tool Dr., Highway 274, Tool, TX

### **Swinging Stars – Chocoholic Frolic New Dancer Dance**

Date: Friday, 12May17  
Caller: Wayne Baldwin  
Cuer: Walter Brewer  
Time: 7:00PM workshop, 7:45PM plus, 8:00PM grand march  
Location: Shepard Elementary School  
1000 Wilson Drive, Plano, TX

### **Texas Reelers – Gospel Jubilee New Dancer Dance**

Date: Friday, 19May17  
Callers: Deborah Carroll-Jones and Jon Jones  
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh  
Time: 7:30PM early rounds, 8:00PM grand march  
Location: Richardson Senior Center  
820 W. Arapaho Rd., Richardson, TX

### **Trail Blazers – 47<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance (OFFICIAL)**

Date: Saturday, 20May17  
Callers: Bobby Willis and Ray Savell  
Cuer: Jack Kenny  
Time: 6:30PM plus rounds, 7:00PM rounds, 7:30PM workshop, 8:00PM grand march  
Location: Swingtime Center  
5100 SE Loop 820, Ft. Worth, TX

### **Swinging Stars – Club Dance**

Date: Friday, 26May17  
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

### **Tri-City Promenaders – Memorial Day Dance**

Date: Saturday, 27May17  
Caller: Paul Kinsey  
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh  
Time: 7:00PM early rounds, 7:30PM workshop, 8:00PM grand march  
Location: Brookside Center  
1244 Brookside Dr., Hurst, TX

## **CASUL T-Square Gadabouts – Memorial Day Dance**

Date: Monday, 29May17  
Caller: Mystery  
Cuer: Mystery  
Time: 7:00PM early rounds, 7:30PM grand march  
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 Watters 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 Bergeson ([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.

May 12 - **Lee**, Burson, Jung, Reid  
May 26 - **Jimison**, Bivins, Feldman, Kilejian,  
June 9 – **Whipple**, Bondi, Deluke, Kendrick  
June 23 – **Trujillo**, Evanto, Mosher, Rose

### **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@swingingsstars.org](mailto:president@swingingsstars.org)**

**Phone: 972-964-5979**

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



*Swinging Stars*



**NEW DANCER**

**Mainstream**

**CHOCOHOLIC FROLIC**



**May 12, 2017**



Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: Walter Brewer

Square workshop: 7:00

Plus Squares: 7:45

Grand March: 8:00

Hot Hash After The Last Tip

All Chocolate Refreshments

Dancers under 18 Dance For Free When accompanied by An Adult

Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano

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

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



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# 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.

Caller: Wayne Baldwin    Cuer: Walter Brewer

