



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for May 14, 2017

From Russ and Anne Nejd, Swinging Stars Presidents:

Happy Mother's Day to all Swinging Stars mothers.

On Friday, our club hosted a new dancer dance with a chocolate theme. Thank you to Lee, Burson, Reid, and Jung for the scrumptious snacks. There was even fresh veggies for the health conscious. Everything looked and tasted delicious, but the highlight was the chocolate fountain complete with cake, marshmallows and fruit for dipping.

We had a total of 119 in attendance including 71 Swinging Stars.

- Texas Reelers: 20 (received our banner)
- Kissin Kuzzins – 16 (received our banner and got their banner back)
- Tri City Promenaders – 2
- Model A – 2
- Ramblin' Rounds – 2
- Dixie Chainers – 1
- Lone Star Solos – 1
- Plus 4 – 1\
- Rebel Rousers – 1
- Independent – 3
- Visitors from Ohio (who promoted Nationals to be held in Ohio in June) – 2

The Bergesen's bought and modified a table-top white board for our singles to sign up to dance with a partner. They did a great job and it was actually utilized at Friday night's dance.

Thank you to all who attended and made this dance so much fun.

Russ and Anne Nejd

2nd 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. His phone number is 214-790-3908.

Announcements

Sign-Up for Wayne's World Double Deal Dance, July 29, 2017 (Ralph and Lucy Hamm)

The Swinging Stars will be hosting a big dance on July 29th as we celebrate and honor Wayne's 50 years as a caller. This will be on a 5th Saturday at All Saints Catholic Church (where we had our Anniversary Dance), and we expect a big crowd. To stage such a dance, we will need every Swinging Stars couple to work on a committee as well as bring food.

We had the sign-up sheets for committees and food at our club dance Friday night, and a good number of couples signed up. Thank you to all of you who did. If you have not signed up, please do so within the next few weeks. Food categories we really need couples to sign up for are desserts (especially) and deli spirals (available at Sam's and Walmart). Committees that need volunteers to sign up to help with include food service (especially), facility set-up, decorations, and greeters.

We will have the sign-up sheets at the next few club dances, or you can email or call the dance chairman, Lucy and Ralph Hamm, at llhamm45@gmail.com or 214-872-7219. Please select the committee you want to be on and the food you want to bring and sign up soon!

Remember, this dance is in honor of Wayne's 50 years of calling, and we want to show everyone how much we appreciate him and Jodie.

Lessons Advertising (Linda Harris)

For the past several years, I've input the lessons ads in any and all FREE advertising around Plano and surrounding cities. Plano Profile, Plano Image, Bubble life, etc. Please send me any Free advertising source you think would be productive. I'll do the input.

Last January, in addition to FREE advertising, an ad was run in VALPAC for 3 surrounding zip codes (minimum required for price break). We did have a larger turn out for the first two lessons than in the past. Each zip code is \$170.00. Currently, we have two generous couples donating a zip code each. If you can cover the cost of one zip code let me know. LindaHarrisTX@hotmail.com<<mailto:LindaHarrisTX@hotmail.com>>.

Nextdoor App <https://nextdoor.com/join/> ...Please sign up for your local Nextdoor app (it's free)..This app is very useful as it allows you to share info with your neighbors (good painters, lawn care, dog walkers, free items, plumbers, remodelers, etc). I will send you input for lessons to include in your nextdoor location closer to lessons. Thank you for supporting our favorite activity! Lessons keep the club alive!!

Fall Round Dance Lessons

The Pelton's will be conducting round dance lessons at the Plano Senior Center in September. This will be a class for those new to round dancing or those who had some lessons but need a refresher. Please watch the newsletter for more information and the Plano Parks and Rec fall catalog to sign up.

JL & Linda Pelton's 10th Wedding Anniversary Dance

JL and Linda will be celebrating their 10th wedding anniversary and has invited the club to dance at the Swingtime Center on Sunday, July 23rd from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM. There will be square and round dancing. We will provide more information as the date gets closer.

Baldwin Annual Fish Fry (Jodie Baldwin)

Fish Fry for the Swinging Stars is coming up second Sunday in June, which is the 11th. Wayne and I really hope our new dancers (can't call them students any more) will be here with us. The Party is around the pool and a little more, so dress is very casual and if you want to earn a square duck dangle bring your swimsuit-cutoffs also OK. Fish of the day is Crappie. Happy hour starts at **5:30 so those bringing appetizers or margaritas should arrive at 5:00.** We ask that each couple or single sign in on a list to bring one dish only.

This allows us to get a good head count to know how many fish to thaw and extra chairs to order. As time gets nearer we will have a map on line and maps at our dances... also sign-up sheets. We live at 981 Timber Ln., McKinney TX 75069 which is actually in Fairview. If anyone has any questions, please call me at 972-562-2174.

Frisco 3rd Sunday Open House

We have been asked by the city of Frisco to perform a square dance demonstration for the 3rd Sunday Open house at the Frisco Heritage Center on Sunday, May 21st at 2PM, 6499 Page Street in Frisco (at the depot). Richard Covington will call for us. We were told to dance for 20 minutes, take a break and then dance for another 20 minutes. They have promised to serve cookies. If you can help us by getting one or two squares together, let us know. Please consider helping us fill at least one square.

Lost Shoes

Martha Hernandez, president of Kissin Kuzzin's left a Vera Bradley shoe bag and shoes at our club dance. Did anyone pick it up? Please let me know.

Summer Attire

The club will be observing casual/summer attire at club dances starting Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend. Square dance clothes are optional, but with the hot weather upon us, short sleeves, pants, capris or any tasteful warm weather clothing will be acceptable. Many of the other clubs observe this tradition also, but be sure to check the Promenade to confirm you are following their dress code. Summer attire will not be appropriate at Wayne's dance but you can start at our next club dance.

Happening This Week

Wednesday, May 17th – Plus 4's – Charles Quisenberry – 7:30 PM

Friday, May 19th – Texas Reelers – Gospel Jubilee (New Dancer Dance) – Deborah Carroll -Jones & Chris Farabaugh – Early Rounds 7:30 PM, Grand March 8:00 PM

Saturday, May 20th – Trail Blazers 47th Anniversary Dance (Official) – Bobby Willis & Ray Savell and Jack Kenny on rounds – 6:30 PM Plus, Rounds 7:00 PM, Workshop 7:30 PM, Grand March 8:00 PM

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Bob and Terri Pitts

It was a quiet visitation weekend for the Swinging Stars and a beautiful Mother's Day weekend. And how great was that to see the fabulous turnout and boat loads of fun had by all at our own new dancer Chocoholic Dance Friday night! The visitation pace picks up, however, this coming weekend with a new dancers dance with the Texas Reelers in Richardson for their Gospel Jubilee Dance on Friday, 19May, and a very important official visitation on Saturday, 20May, with the Trailblazers in Fort Worth at Swingtime Center for their Primetime Anniversary Dance. We need to recover our banner which they have held since June 2016. If you are a new dancer couple, you should check out the Fort Worth dancing scene, meet the nice folks over there, and let your feet enjoy the wood floor at Swingtime Center.

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

None to report this week

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	Circle I	31-Mar-2017
T-Square Gadabouts	21-Apr-2017	Kissin' Kuzzins	12-May-2017
Log Cabin Swingers	06-May-2017	Texas Reelers	12-May-2017

Swinging Stars Dance Classes

None at this time

Coming Events

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 – 47th 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. You can check out the menu by going to 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.

Refreshments Duty and Information

Contact Karen Hawkins for problems or questions regarding refreshments @ 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). Please do not buy supplies without first checking with the Bergesen's.,

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. 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 26 - **Jimison**, Bivins, Feldman, Kilejian

June 9 - **Whipple**, Bondi, DeLuke, Kendrick

June 23 - **Trujillo**, Evanto, Mosher, Rose

July 14 - **Dennison**, Harris, Perrott, Stuart

August 11 - **Pelton**, Hawkins, Nestor, Ross

August 25 - **Bergesen**, Gifford, Smith, Zhang

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

June 11, 2017 – Baldwin (Swinging Stars) Annual Fish Fry

July 29, 2017 – Swinging Stars DD Dance - Wayne's 50th Anniversary as a square dance caller

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

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 NejdI

Swinging Stars Presidents

Email: president@swingingsstars.org

Phone: 972-964-5979

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



**Singles
White Board**

Pack Up Your Car And Come To the

Swinging Stars

Beach Party

Friday, June 23, 2017



Caller: Wayne Baldwin
Cue: Walter Brewer



Early Rounds 7:00

Plus Squares - 7:45

Grand March 8:00

Hot Hash After the Last Tip

Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano

Whiteboard Is Available To Sign-up For Tip and Partner Choice
Dancers under 18 dance for Free when accompanied a paying adult

Note: Summer Attire During June, July, and August

For Info: 972-964-5979 or President@swingingstars.org

Visit our website: www.swingingstars.org



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Swinging Stars

Invite You to

Waynes World

Double Deal Dance
Great Dancing
Honey Pot



Singles White Board
Refreshments
Banners

Celebrating Wayne's 50th year Calling

Saturday July 29th 2017

Friday July 28th 2017 Dance Cancelled

All Saints Catholic Church 5231 Meadow Creek Dr., Dallas

Caller Wayne Baldwin
Guest Caller Charles Quizenberry
Cuer Walter Brewer



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Plus Dancing 7:45
Grand March 8:00
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