

Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for July 16, 2017

From Russ and Anne NejdI, Swinging Stars Presidents:

What a great weekend we had dancing! Starting the weekend with our club dance, we had 8 visitors and 69 Swinging Stars in attendance. Thank you to the refreshment team for the lovely snacks – Dennison, Harris, Perrott and the Stuarts. Joe Rose did an outstanding job calling one tip. Everyone applauded Joe for his efforts.

It was good to see Bill Perrott on the dance floor even though he still is in a sling and Bob Pitts was at the dance after just one week after an arthroscopic knee surgery. One could say their fast healing is due to good therapy, but Russ and I think it is the therapeutic powers of square dancing that is helping their recovery.

On Saturday night, 20 Stars attended the Rebel Rouser's 28th Anniversary Dance. We danced until 10:30 and were reluctant to leave because it was such a fun dance. Russ and I won a \$25 gift card to Walmart, but Bob and Kathy Estep were the really big winners. Some people have all the luck!



Please join us in our upcoming visitations. By having a large presence at our dance visitations, we are able to capture other clubs banners and hopefully in turn, these clubs will want to attend our upcoming double deal dance celebrating Wayne's 50th anniversary of calling. We are wanting a really big turnout for this dance.

Russ and Anne NejdI

Announcements

Wayne's World Double Deal Dance, July 29, 2017

The volunteers' work schedule was sent out to all Swinging Stars last week. Please review it to make sure you know where and when you are signed up to work. Those of you who are bringing food, please label your utensils and plates or pans to make sure you get them back if you should forget to pick them up after the dance. Please have food cut into serving size pieces, if applicable, and deliver it to the food service area by 7:30PM.

Remember this is a special dance. Please wear appropriate square dance clothes (not casual). Please wear club colors -- either royal blue, purple, or turquoise -- if possible.

The Lassiters have agreed to host the after party at their home. Directions to their home will be provided at the dance. BYOB and a snack to share. Thank you, Nina and Dan!

Thanks to all members who are working and/or bringing food. Your efforts will make this a successful and meaningful occasion honoring Wayne's fifty years of calling.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Hamms at llhamm45@gmail.com or 214-872-7219.

Upcoming Lessons

Our club's fall lessons will start on Tuesdays, September 5th – December 19th at Carpenter Rec Center in Plano. The course # is 193850. Registration starts August 5th. We are asking all club members to ask neighbors, co-workers, church members, family members or just about anyone you know you think might like to try square dancing to come to our two free lessons. Get them to the lessons and we will introduce them to the world of square dancing. Every couple will receive a packet of flyers and trifold to give to our potential students. Bob Estep is printing business cards to pass out which promotes our lessons. These materials will be distributed at the August 11th dance which is our ice cream social.

Fall Round Dance Lessons (submitted by JL & Linda Pelton)

Refresher Lessons start Saturday, September 2 at the Plano Senior Center, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. These are lessons and practice dancing, like an easy round dance club. The Senior Center is at 401 W. 16th Street just off the south access road of 75 and north of George Bush.

If you have had some lessons, no matter what rhythm, but are really rusty or if your dancing level is easy square dance rounds, this class is perfect for you to refresh your dancing skills and for you to be able to get out and enjoy yourself on the dance floor. The class curriculum will be set by the dancers who sign up for the class. Signup opens in early August on the Plano Parks and Recreation Center website.

Note: Beginning basic lessons will start in January at Carpenter Recreation Center. We are planning at this time to offer Beginning Two Step. We are not teaching any fall lessons at Carpenter.

JL & Linda Pelton's 10th Wedding Anniversary Dance (by JL & Linda Pelton)

JL and Linda Pelton would like to invite all the Swinging Stars to their 10 year Wedding Anniversary Party at Swingtime Center, Sunday afternoon, July 23, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. It's a square and round dance party. Early rounds will be from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. From 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. will be squares and rounds with Bobby Willis calling and area cuers helping JL cue. We would love to see all of you there at our party.

Round-Up Grand Prize Tickets

The Lassiter's have additional Round-Up Grand Prize tickets for sale. Tickets are \$1 each and the club receives 50% of the money. Please return any unsold tickets or any money owed to the Lassiters. Nina says they want to turn in the cash and unused tickets by August 1st.

Swinging Stars Holiday Party

Linda Harris wants to remind everyone to "Save the Date" for Friday, December 1st so you can all attend the best party in town. Our Holiday Party will be at the Haggard Party Barn in Plano. More information, directions and cost for catered BBQ dinner, happy hour, and bar to follow. Linda tells me she has some high quality skits for our entertainment. And there will be great dancing, line dancing, and maybe some rounds too.

Death of Family Member

We are saddened to hear of the sudden death of Deckard and Peggy Pharr's son-in-law. Peggy expressed shock and said they loved and respected Dave so much. He will be missed. If you wish to send a condolence card to the Pharr's their address is: Deckard and Peggy Pharr, 710 W. FM 6, Nevada, TX 75173.

Third Quarter Dues

The 3Qtr Dues of \$22.50 per member or \$45.00 per couple is due July 1, 2017.

Please pay at the next Swinging Stars Dance or mail a check to our treasurer Nevin Mulvin at:

3409 Eisenhower Lane
Plano, TX 75023-3933
nrmulvin@verizon.net
214-790-3908

Happening This Week

Wednesday, July 19th – Plus 4's Plus Dance – Charles Quisenberry – 7:30 PM

Saturday, July 22nd – Dixie Chainers- Rock & Roll - Vernon Jones and Jack von der Heide – 7:00 PM

Workshop and Early Rounds – 7:30 PM Grand March

**Sunday, July 23rd – Linda & JL Pelton's 10th Anniversary Dance – Bobby Willis, Rounds by JL and local
Cuers - 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM – Early Rounds, 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM – Squares and Rounds**

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By Bob and Terri Pitts

Here's what's on the agenda for this weekend. Kick up your heels Saturday with the Dixie Chainers for their Rock and Roll Dance – Vernon Jones will make it memorable. New members, if you have not visited the Chainers this is a perfect opportunity. Sunday, two of our club members, JL and Linda Pelton, are having their 10th anniversary celebration dance in Ft. Worth at Swingtime Center and have invited all to attend. While there is no visitation on the calendar Friday there are a couple of choices on this side of the Metroplex: the Kissin' Kuzzins and the Texas Reelers and two farther away: the Triangle Squares in Denton and T-Square Gadabouts in Ft. Worth.

You are welcome to send BRIEF visitation write ups to get included in the newsletters.

Recent Club Visitations

Lubbock A2 Square Dance Weekend, 7-8Jul – Nearly 5-squares of dancers from Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas enjoyed Darryl Lipscomb calling smooth and fast paced patter at the A2 level. There were 4 sessions total, about 2 hours each, starting Friday night and ending Saturday night. We even had time to find all the ice cream parlors between the dance hall and the hotel. The hosts treated us with root beer floats after the Saturday night dance.

Round-Up Kick Off Rock Around the Clock Dance, 09Jul – Thank you to the 12 Swinging Stars who attended the Round-Up kick off dance Sunday. Christine Hixson cued some great early rounds and rounds between tips. Karen Gloodt, who is also a Round-Up staff cuer, was at ICBDA in San Diego with husband, Ed. Congratulations to Karen and Ed. Their Phase IV rumba, Cuando Me Enamoro, which was chosen as the 2017 Hall of Fame Dance! Vernon Jones and Toby Thomason called fun square dance tips to get us in the mood for Round Up. Many dancers dressed for the theme wearing poodle skirts and other 50's attire.

Rebel Rousers Texas Heritage 28th Anniversary Dance, 15Jul – Thank you to the 20 Swinging Stars who went to the Rebel Rousers' anniversary dance Saturday night. The cuer for the lively evening of dancing was Christine Hixson. She cued many favorites during the early rounds and rounds between tips. Mike Bramlett vibrantly called mainstream and plus tips and kept the dancers entertained with his calling antics. The RR's served a nice taco dinner with the fixin's.

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 on our Wall		Our Banners Out in the World	
Club	Date Captured	Club	Date Captured
Cotton Pickin' Squares	25-Mar-2017	Lone Star Solos	31-Mar-2017
Dixie Chainers	08-Apr-2017	Texas Reelers ^{*1}	09-Jun-2017
T-Square Gadabouts	21-Apr-2017		
Log Cabin Swingers	06-May-2017		
Trail Blazers	20-May-2017		
Kissin' Kuzzins	02-Jun-2017		
Texas Reelers	30-Jul-2017		
Circle I	02-Jul-2017		
Rebel Rousers	15-Jul-2017		

*1 – The Reelers misplaced our banner and will return it to us when found

Swinging Stars Dance Classes

None now

Coming Events

Dixie Chainers – Rock & Roll Dance

Date: Saturday, 22Jul17
Caller: Vernon Jones
Cuer: Jack von der Heide
Time: 7:00PM workshop and early rounds, 7:30PM grand march
Location: Farmers Branch Senior Center
14055 Dennis Lane, Farmers Branch, TX

Pelton's 10th Anniversary Celebration

Date: Sunday, 23Jul17
Caller: Bobby Willis
Cuer: Area cuers
Time: 2:00PM early rounds, 3:00PM-5:00PM squares and rounds
Location: Swingtime Center
5100 SE Loop 820, Ft. Worth, TX

Rockwall Squares

Date: Saturday, 28Jul17
Caller: Wayne Shoemaker
Cuer: Michelle Vieira
Time: 7:30PM early rounds, 8:00PM grand march
Location: 108 E. Washington, Rockwall, TX

Swinging Stars – Wayne's World, 50th Anniversary Edition, Double Deal Dance

Date: Saturday, 29Jul17
Caller: Wayne Baldwin
Guest caller: Charles Quisenberry
Cuer: Walter Brewer
Time: 7:00PM early rounds, 7:45PM plus, 8:00PM grand march
Location: All Saints Catholic Church
5231 Meadowcreek Drive, Dallas, TX

Harvest Holiday – Summer Fun Rounds Ph. II-IV – Double Deal

Date: Sunday, 30Jul17
Cuer: Area instructors
Time: 2:00PM-5:00PM rounds
Location: Swingtime Center
5100 SE Loop 820, Ft. Worth, TX

Other Events

Straight from the desk of Lorraine Burson:

The July Ladies Luncheon will be hosted by Linda Harris at First Watch 3131, Custer Road, Plano, Texas on the (southwest corner of Custer and W Parker) at 11:30 on **Tuesday, July 18th**. All Swinging Star ladies are invited...Enjoy our social time together!! You may check out First Watch by going to <https://www.firstwatch.com/>. Please RSVP to LindaHarristx@hotmail.com by July 16th, so the restaurant can organize the room. Hope to see you there.

Refreshments Duty and Information

Contact Karen Hawkins for problems or questions regarding refreshments @ markt.karen1@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.

July 29th- Wayne's World – all club member participation

August 11 - **Hawkins**, Hardin, Nestor, and Ross

August 25 - **Bergesen**, Gifford, Lassiter, and Zhang

September 8 – **Pitts**, Duncan, Hamms, and Rickert

September 22 – **Colter**, Heintz, Pharr, and See

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

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

September 5, 2017 – Swinging Stars Lessons at Carpenter Rec Center

December 1, 2017 – Swinging Stars Holiday Party

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 Nejd

Swinging Stars Presidents

Email: president@swingingstars.org

Phone: 972-964-5979

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

**It's Our
10-Year Wedding Anniversary**
And we're celebrating with a
Square and Round Dance Party



Sunday Afternoon ~ July 23rd

2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Swingtime Center

5100 SE Loop 820 ~ Fort Worth, TX 76140
(Anglin Drive Exit off I-20)

Square Dance called by Bobby Willis
Rounds by JL and Local Cuers

Early Rounds ~ 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Squares and Rounds ~ 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Come Celebrate with Us

For information, call Linda at 972-897-6006 or JL at 972-822-1926,
or email peltondances@gmail.com

Swinging Stars

Invite You to

Wayne's 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



Early Rounds 7:00
Plus Dancing 7:45
Grand March 8:00
Hot Hash after the last tip

Dancers under 18 dance for free when accompanied by an adult

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

Visit our Web Site: www.swingingstars.org



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**Ice Cream
Social**



I scream, you scream, we all scream for Ice Cream

Friday August 11, 2017

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: Walter Brewer

Sq workshop: 7:00

Plus Dancing: 7:45

Grand March: 8:00

Hot Hash after the last tip

Need a dancing Partner?...A White Board is available to sign up
for your choice of tip and dancing partners.

Dancers Under 18 dance free when accompanied by a paying adults



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