

Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for August 20, 2017

From Russ and Anne Nejd, Swinging Stars Presidents:

It is hard to believe how quickly summer has gone by. Meteorologists on the television say the temperatures will start cooling down soon. With that in mind, be aware that summer attire is OK at our next club dance and some of the other clubs (be sure to check their website to affirm proper dress for their dances), but we will revert to normal square dance attire in September.

We have been informed by our NORTEX vice presidents that the NORTEX Round-up official visitation to our club will be on Friday, September 22nd (our State Fair of Texas Dance). We are expecting 26 NORTEX officers to be in attendance. If anyone has any Texas State Fair items (maybe a Big Tex, t-shirts, or signs) be sure to let me know so can decorate the dance and dining area more in keeping with our themed dance.

Russ is still not dancing, but is healing well. He sees the doctor on the 30th and hopes to be on the bicycle and dancing then. Thanks for the cards and kind thoughts and prayers.

Russ and Anne Nejd

Announcements

Fall Mainstream Lessons – Tuesdays, September 5th to December 19th, 7:15 PM to 9:15 PM

Lessons start the Tuesday after Labor Day at Carpenter Rec Center in Plano. Anyone needing more flyers, trifolds or business cards, please let Dan Mosher know and he can have them at the next club dance. Please utilize them by giving them out to your friends, family, neighbors or acquaintances. We have had some calls about our lessons and know of at least one couple who plan to attend. Linda Harris has posted to social media, but if you could post on nextdoor.com in your neighborhood, we would get more exposure. See the example below:



LOOKING FOR SOMETHING FUN TO DO? Love Music?

1st Two Lessons Free

Carpenter Rec Center Plano

Partner Required

•Online www.planoparks.org

Modern Square Dance

Tues Sept 5th 7:15 pm

more info 972-618-3640

Class Code #193850

Lessons Grant

Swinging Stars received a \$200 lessons grant today at the NORTEX Quarterly Meeting which is the maximum amount a club can receive. In all, 11 clubs received a lesson grant. In order to qualify for the grant, clubs must have 50% of the students who completed the lessons join a club. There is also some paperwork to fill out and receipts required to show expenses. Good job Swinging Stars!

Sign up Open for Fall Round Dance Lessons (submitted by JL & Linda Pelton)

Signup opened yesterday for Plano residents and opens Monday, August 7th for all others. The class is listed in the Plano Parks and Rec catalog and on the website as -- Round Dance (Continuing Basics) New -- Class #195085. If you are looking for the class it is listed in the 50+ section under Dance. You can telephone 972-941-7155 to sign up or register online at <https://parks.planotx.org/econnect> - These are lessons and practice dancing, like an easy round dance club.

Class starts Saturday morning, September 2 - 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Plano Senior Center, 401 W. 16th Street just off the south access road of 75 and north of George Bush. September 2 is the start of the Labor Day Weekend. You're getting an extra lesson day as the printed catalog shows starting September 9. You can ignore the times in the printed catalog as they are wrong. Class is from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. It is correct on the website.

Peggy Pharr's 80th Birthday Party (submitted by Peggy Pharr)

We hope you will join us on the afternoon of Aug. 27 between 2:00 and 6:00 PM to celebrate our mother's 80th birthday. It will be a fun afternoon of sharing memories with family as well as old and new friends. Whether you can just stop by or stay for the afternoon, we will look forward to seeing you.

The children of Peggy Pharr (Michael, Machele, Rachelle and Dierdre)

(No gifts, please, your memories and sharing this time with us are the best gifts of all.

Place: Bear Creek Ranch Event Center, FM 6. Nevada, Texas

Round-Up Tickets

Nina Lassiter tells me there are still some round up raffle tickets that have not been turned in. Please contact the Lassiters and make arrangements to turn your tickets in so Nina can submit to NORTEX. You may call Nina @ 214- 769-6032 or email her @ <mailto:ninalassiter@gmail.com>

Happening This Week

Friday, August 25th Swinging Stars Club Dance– Wayne Baldwin & Walter Brewer – 7:00 PM Early Rounds, 7:45 PM All Plus, 8:00 PM Grand March

Saturday, August 26th – Tri-City Promenaders – Beat the Heat Dance (Dance of Interest) – Paul Kinsey & Chris Farabaugh - 7:00 PM Early Rounds, 7:30 PM Workshop, 8:00 PM Grand March

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By Bob and Terri Pitts

Well, August and our summer are both almost over. We have two calendar dances left this month: our Swinging Stars club dance Friday night and a visit Saturday to the Tri-City Promenaders for their Beat the Heat dance Saturday night. Join us so we have enough to get the Promenaders' banner and a club visit signature.

If any other members decide to attend the Evening in Paris festival weekend, shoot a quick email to your 2nd VPs and we will forward an email which includes SS's Friday after party details/Saturday dinner/attendees/and other pertinent Paris information.

As always, you are welcome to send BRIEF visitation write ups for inclusion in the newsletters.

Recent Club Visitations

Kissin' Kuzzins Back to School Dance, 18Aug – Thank you to the 31 Swinging Stars who visited the Kuzzins Friday night. JL Pelton cued the very early rounds for new jive and bolero dancers, early rounds including Carnival, Legends of the Fall and Solitude City, and cued rounds between tips also. The squares were called by Hall of Fame caller, wonderful Wayne Baldwin. Wayne started the evening with a workshop followed by his entertaining mainstream and plus tips. In keeping with the back to school theme, the Kuzzins treated their guests to sack lunches filled with goodies – many included notes from mom. It was great to see SO MANY Stars visiting 'in force' for this double deal dance and to acquire more banners to put back on our wall!

Rebel Rousers Ice Cream Social Dance, 19Aug – Thank you to the 24 Swinging Stars who went to Richardson Saturday night to dance with the Rebel Rousers. Early rounds and rounds between tips were cued by Christine Hixson. She cued many crowd favorites including the beloved 'pizza song' with the catchy beat. Squares were called by club caller, Mike Bramlett, and he was joined on a few tips by guest caller Dave Vieira. Individually and together they thoroughly entertained the square dancers with fun mainstream and plus choreography. Mike called the fun early plus tips and he is always full of humor and square dance trickiness.

Friendship Banner Status

Our current 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
Log Cabin Swingers	06-May-2017	Ft. Worth Squares	29-Jul-2017
Texas Reelers	04-Aug-2017	Triangle Squares	29-Jul-2017
Circle I	05-Aug-2017		
Kissin' Kuzzins	18-Aug-2017		
Rebel Rousers	19-Aug-2017		

Coming Events

Swinging Stars – Club Dance

Date: Friday, 25Aug17
Caller: Wayne Baldwin
Cuer: Walter Brewer
Time: ER – 7:00PM, PL – 7:45PM, GM – 8:00PM
Location: Shephard Elementary School
1000 Wilson Dr, Plano, TX

Tri-City Promenaders – Beat the Heat

Date: Saturday, 26Aug17
Caller: Paul Kinsey
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: ER – 7:00PM, WS – 7:30PM, GM – 8:00PM
Location: Brookside Center
1244 Brookside Dr, Hurst, TX

Other Events

Ladies Luncheon – from Lorraine Burson

Kathy Elliott will be hosting the August Ladies luncheon on August 24 at 11.30AM. She has chosen Elke's Market Cafe. It was voted Best Neighborhood Restaurant by "D" Magazine. Visit Elke's Market Cafe web site at Elkesmarketcafe.com. There is a coupon there if you wish to print it. The address is 105 N. Greenville Ave. Suite 11. Allen, Texas 75002. Elke's market café is located on the northwest side of Highway 5 at McDermott (close to the Dollar Tree). Please RSVP to Kathy Elliott at hibooger@hotmail.com or [214-228-8874](tel:214-228-8874) by August 23rd so Kathy will know how many are planning to attend. All Lady Swing Stars are encouraged to attend. We hope you will come and enjoy visiting with the ladies of our fun club.

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.

August 25 - **Bergesen**, Ross, Lassiter, Zhang
September 8 – **Pitts**, Duncan, Hamm, Rickert
September 22 – **Colter**, Heintz, Pharr, See (Theme – State Fair)
October 13 – **Estep**, Jung, Kern, Reid (Theme – Sock Hop)
October 27 – **Amy**, Burson, Covington, Lee
November 10 – **Deluke**, Jimison, Kilejian, Whipple (Theme – Honor Our Veterans)
December 8 – **Bondi**, Biven, Feldman, Stewart (Theme – Good Samaritan)

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

September 5, 2017 – Swinging Stars Lessons at Carpenter Rec Center
November 12, 2017 – Semi Annual Club Meeting
December 1, 2017 – Swinging Stars Holiday Party

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

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A Tribute to the Texas State Fair



Friday September 22, 2017

Shepard Elementary School -- 1000 Wilson Dr., Plano

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: Walter Brewer

Early Rounds 7:00

Plus Squares 7:45

Grand March 8:00

Hot Hash After the Last Tip

Fun Food Banners Honey pot Great Dancing

Singles Rotation board is available for Tip and Dance Partner choice

Dancers under 18 dance for free when accompanied a paying Adult

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

Visit our website: www.swingingstars.org



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