

# Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

*Newsletter for January 13, 2013*

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## OFFICIAL VISITATION

Friday, January 18.

Triangle Squares

38th Anniversary Winter Ball Dance



**Guest Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones**

**Club Caller and Cuer: Toby Thomason**

**Early Rounds 7:30 Grand March: 8:00.**

**Denton Senior Center, 509 N. Bell Street, Denton Texas**

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## Welcome To Our New Swinging Stars

The Swinging Stars are proud to introduce the newly graduated dancers and welcome them to our Swinging Stars family of dancers. We hope you will enjoy the fun and fellowship of square dancing for many years to come.



Margaret & Skip Archey



Knarik & Jim Bondi



Mary & Dave Colter



**Tom & Carol Price**



**Jeanne & Peter Rickert**



**Will & Rosanne Rickett**



**Cheryl & Jerry Schumacher**



**Ron & Donita See**



**Duane & Betty Weckerly**

I would like to thank the entire Lessons committee. They do a remarkable job. I don't know how many have seen the "Packets" (to me they are more like a book), that the Hennebergers put together for the new members. Just about everything you would ever need to know about being a member of the Swinging Stars is in the book. Thank you to Ralph and Lucy Hamm, Ken and Sally Henneberger, Joe and Coleta Lewis, Barry and Helen Feldman, Rick and Dorinda Maier, and Dave and Lorraine Burson.

I would also like to thank all the mentors that have volunteered to be a source of information and a encouragement to the new members :

**George and Mary Loxsom mentoring Skip and Margaret Archey**

**Andy and Debbie Piziali mentoring Jim and Knarik Bondi**

**Ralph and Lucy Hamm mentoring Dave and Mary Colter**

**Jeff and Anne Stuart mentoring Tom and Carol Price**

**Bob and Terri Pitts mentoring Peter and Jeanne Rickert**

**Dave and Lorraine Burson mentoring Will and Rosanne Rickett**

**Rick and Dorinda Maier mentoring Jerry and Cheryl Schumacher**

**Barry and Helen Feldman mentoring Ron and Donita See**

**Larry Gaudrone and Rosemary Benedetto mentoring Duane and Betty Weckerly.**

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# 1st QUARTER DUES ARE DUE

## Membership Dues:

The dues for the first quarter of 2013 are due. Dues are due the first Swinging Stars dance of each quarter. The quarters start January, April, July and October. If you are not sure if your dues have been paid for the 1st quarter, please contact the Treasurer, Jim and Debbie Reid.

[jimbobreid@gmail.com](mailto:jimbobreid@gmail.com)

You may send you payment to the address listed below. Or bring your payment to our next dance, if you have not already done so.

Dues are: \$35.00 per quarter per couple  
\$70.00 per half year per couple (preferred)  
\$140.00 per year per couple

Please make your check payable to Swinging Stars  
Thank you for paying your dues in a timely manner.

Jim and Debbie Reid  
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## Anniversary Report for January 13



## Anniversary Dance for 2013

Date: Friday, January 25, 2013  
Location: Shepherd Elementary School  
Callers: Wayne Baldwin and Guest Caller Nasser Shukayr  
Cuer: Walter Brewer  
Theme: Dancing with the Stars  
Early Rounds at 7:00  
Squares at 8:00

Here is the weekly report from Russ and Anne Nejd, the chairs of Swinging Stars 38<sup>th</sup> annual Anniversary Dance. Not to beat the subject to death, but I am sure you are probably all well aware that the theme of this dance is "Dancing with the Stars" which happens to be my all-time favorite TV show (Anne's favorite). If you are familiar with the show, everyone including the audience is dressed in the flashiest clothes. You may wear square dance attire, tuxedos optional, but dressy gowns would fit in the theme of the dance. No outfit would be too outrageous. Russ will be wearing his tuxedo.

The after party will be hosted by Ken and Vickie Bullock. Maps and directions to their home will be distributed at the dance.

We have less than 2 weeks to complete our plans including filling the open slots on the sign-up sheets for food and committee positions. I have been making contact with members via phone and email but there are still openings on the various committees and we are in need of more food. This week will be my last push to fill those slots so I will be calling those of you who have not signed up yet. If you are not going to be able to attend the dance, please email or call me so I do not bother you. My email address is [Yo\\_Red@verizon.net](mailto:Yo_Red@verizon.net) or you may reach me at 972-964-5979.

Please be aware we are asking each couple to bring two finger food items and most of the food items should feed 24 unless specifically designated otherwise. Please be sure to label you plates and serving pieces with your names so you can retrieve them at the end of the dance - disposable works best as we have no access to a kitchen so we cannot wash your dishes. We will have paper towels on hand to wipe off your trays as needed. Speaking of serving pieces, I have some but it will not be enough to cover the whole table, so I would appreciate if you brought something to serve your food with also (labeled of course).

Next week's newsletter will have an attachment with all the committees and those serving on each as well as the food items each of you signed up to bring. Each committee chair will receive an email from me detailing their responsibilities. By the way, thank you to those who will not be at the dance but are managing to send food through other members. Your thoughtfulness and dedication to the club is appreciated.

Russ and Anne NejdI

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## EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

### Swinging Stars Club Dance

#### Friday, January 11. Regular Club Dance

This was a fun dance! We had several of the new dancers attending. They are doing great. Dave presented them with their new member information notebook. We were also treated to a singing call from one of our trainee callers, Richard Covington. Richard you are improving more and more every time we hear you. Keep up the good work. Peggy Amy presented our club with our 160 Club Visits Award. We appreciate all of you that get out and visit other clubs and help us to achieve this award. There were 84 Swinging Stars and 13 visitors attending. Thank you to the refreshments committee; Perrotts, Starretts, Jimisons, and Kendricks. Everything looked so yummy and tasted delicious.

### Dance of Interest

**Friday, January 12. Dixie Chainers.** I must say in light of the weather this was a good choice to change the visitation to the Dixie Chainers. We always enjoy dancing to Vernon Jones. The round dancing cued by Jack von der Heide was enjoyed by those that love round dancing. Thank you to the 14 Swinging Stars that attended: Dave and Lorraine Burson, Jan and Richard Covington, Mel and Sondra Foust, Charlie and Linda Harris, Bob and Terri Pitts, Peter and Jeanne Rickert, and Ron and Donita See.

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# EVENTS FOR JANUARY

## Official Visitation

### Friday, January 18. Triangle Squares 38th Anniversary Winter Ball Dance.

Guest Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones, Club Caller and Cuer: Toby Thomason

Early Rounds 7:30 Grand March: 8:00.

Denton Senior Center, 509 N. Bell Street, Denton Texas

## Dance of Interest

### Saturday, January 19. Rebel Rousers Sock Hop. "Socks for the homeless dance".

They will be collecting socks for homeless.

Guest Caller: Scott Bennett Cuer: Christine Hixson

Early Rounds: 7:30 Grand March 8:00

Richardson Senior Center. 820 W. Arapaho Rd., Richardson

## Dance of Interest

### Sunday, January 20. Harvest Holiday Winter Fun Rounds.

Presents an afternoon of Round Dancing. Phase 2, 3 , and 4.

Cueing by Area Instructors

2:00 to 5:00 P M

Donations: \$7.00 per dancer

All Proceeds to be Donated to Swingtime Center

Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820 @ Anglin in Fort Worth.Swingtime Center

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## Ladies Luncheon

Monday, January 21. The Luncheon will be hosted by Peggy Pharr at Mimi's in Allen. The time is 12:00. Mimi's is located at 810 W. McDermott Dr. You can go to [www.mimiscafe.com](http://www.mimiscafe.com) and check them out. Please let Peggy Pharr know if you are planning to attend by Friday January 18 at [pjp0901@juno.com](mailto:pjp0901@juno.com) or 972-843-3991.



## Swinging Stars Club Dance

### Friday, January 25.

### Swinging Stars 38th Anniversary Dancing With the Stars Dance.

Caller: Wayne Baldwin Guest Caller: Nasser Shukayr

Cuer: Walter Brewer

Square dance Workshop: 7:00 . Grand March 8:00.

Shepard Elementary School, 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano

Everyone is invited to Ken and Vickie Bullock's as they will be hosting the after party at their home. Maps and directions to their home will be provided at the Anniversary Dance.

We hope to see everyone at the dance and the after party.

**Notice change in schedule. Since we changed the visitation on Jan. 12 to the Dixie Chainers we decided to not go there again for this date.**

## **Dance of Interest**

**Saturday, January 26. Tri-City Promenaders. January Dance.**

Caller: Paul Kinsey, Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

Early Rounds 7:00 Work Shop 7:30 Grand March 8:00

Brookside Center 1244 Brookside Drive Hurst



## **NORTEX QUARTERLY MEETING**

**Sunday, January 27**

The meeting will start at 2:00. We have as Delegates: Dave and Lorraine Burson, Charlie and Linda Harris and Chris and Merry Trujillo. We welcome anyone that would like to learn more about the NORTEX organization to join us at the meeting. For those that don't know the NORTEX is the larger association made up of all the clubs in the North Texas area. The meeting is at Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820 @ Anglin in Fort Worth.



## **North Texas Callers Association**

**Sunday January 27.**

**NTCA Singing Call/Round Dance of the Year Dance.**

This is always a fun dance. Who will be doing the most ask for Singing Call and Round Dance of the year? The dance starts at 7:30. Callers and Cuers will be the most voted for out of the North Texas area.

Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820 @ Anglin in Fort Worth.

Come and bring some friends with you. Car pooling is fun

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## **A NOTE OF THANKS**

If you remember at our dance on Dec. 14th the club took up a collection for a tip to the staff at Mamma's Pizza. Last Friday while we were at Mamma's we received a thank you note from them. It says: Just wanted to say thank you for being so nice.

Thank you to all the Swinging Stars for the Christmas gift.

Victoria, Santiago, and Jonathan.

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## **ROUND DANCE LESSONS**

The Swinging Stars will be sponsoring beginner round dance lessons with instructors JL and Linda Pelton at Carpenter Rec Center. JL and Linda have instructed round dancing for several years and have a successful intermediate round dance club on Thursday nights at the Plano Senior Center. Lessons will begin Tuesday, March 19 at 7:00PM and continue each Tuesday night for 11 weeks. Our hope is to continue lessons through the year, teaching students all the rhythms commonly danced at square dances – cha-cha, rumba, two step, waltz, foxtrot, and jive. The first class will teach cha-cha and rumba. This will be a great opportunity for interested couples to enter the tremendously enjoyable activity of round dancing. Students may register in person at Carpenter Rec Center (west side of Coit Road south of Legacy) or online through the Plano Parks and Recreation catalog beginning the first Saturday in March. If you want to round dance, please make your plans to sign up.

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# REFRESHMENTS DUTY AND INFORMATION

## Refreshment Schedule – December 2012 Through March 2013

Lead couple is first name on the list.

January 25	Anniversary Dance - All Club Members Help
February 8	Hardin/Smith, Trujillo, Ramirez*, Underwood
February 22	Piziali, Ryder, Foust*, McGuire
March 8	Maier, Morse, Kilejian*, Evanto
March 22	Whipple, Humphrey, Row, Bivins

Names with an \* should not appear as the lead couple.

The lead couple should contact all members on the team to be sure they know the following:

- What they are going to bring for refreshments.
- Arrive at dance by 7:00 pm. As per our contract with PISD, we cannot enter the gym before 7:00.
- Enter thru the Gym door.
- Refreshments shut down at 9:30 pm (no earlier).
- If you take home a refreshment bag check that it has all the items listed on the Fluorescent Hang Tag on the bag.
- Be sure all items are clean.
- Repack bags in a Tidy Manner.

Thank you all for serving on our Refreshment Team.

### Refreshment Duty Reminders:

- If you have a conflict with the Refreshment Schedule
- Please contact someone on the refreshment list to trade with you.
- Notify the refreshment schedulers: Jeff & Anne Stuart at 972-699-1317 or email: [jwstuart@flash.net](mailto:jwstuart@flash.net) with the names of your schedule changes.
- Attend the dance prior to your turn for refreshments to pick up the three bags. If unable to do so be sure that someone picks them up for you.
- Check refreshment Bags for the info regarding “Refreshment Duty Tips” and “List of Items Supplied by the Club”.
- Contact Ralph and Lucy Hamm at 214-872-7219 or [rehamm45@grail.com](mailto:rehamm45@grail.com) for supplies prior to purchasing by Monday prior to club dance. We may already have what you need. Starting in February 2013 the new First VP contact is: Mark & Karen Hawkins at 972-436-4868 or [markt.karenl@gmail.com](mailto:markt.karenl@gmail.com)

### Schedule of advertised Theme Dances thru March 2013.

January 25, 2013  Anniversary Dance

February 22, 2013  Mid Winter Dance

March 22, 2013  March Madness

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Friday, January 25th. Swinging Stars Anniversary Dance.  
Sunday, January 27th. Singing call and Round Dance of the year  
Tuesday, March 19 Swinging Star Round Dance Lessons  
Tuesday, June 11 Plus Lessons  
Tuesday, August 27 Mainstream Lessons

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## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS:**

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### **Out of Town and Weekend Dances:**

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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Swinging Stars President  
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