

## ASRDA Club News

The Wildflower Dance was a success with Tim Tyl and Ron Plouch. Lots of fun workshopping and dancing. Thanks, Country Cuzzins!

### Location! Location! Location!

**Beginning May 1<sup>st</sup>, Canyon Lake Square Dance Club will temporarily be holding round dance and square dance classes as well as regular dances at Weston's Barn, 1450 Rotherman, Canyon Lake until another location can be found.**

Canyon Lake Dancers were asked to demonstrate and involved audience members with square dancing at the Tye Preston Memorial Library.

The Hobo Dance was lots of fun. People dressed as real hobos and others just regular people. Tried a little Contra dancing too. Great fun! Good friends; Good food shared; Wonderful evening.

Our awesome students, who will graduate soon, continue learning square dance calls beginning at 6:00 pm and regular dancing will begin at 7:30 pm. The round dance lessons included Rumba figures.

Check our Facebook page for further information.



## Contra Dancing in Weston's Barn

By Brooke Peters

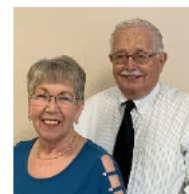
Wayne and Luzia Weston hosted a group of eight people for the Contra Dance on Sunday, April 21st. Five of the eight dancers were experienced contra dancers, most of whom also square dance. The other three were Canyon Lake Square Dance students, who will graduate in late May.

There was one dance that took Wayne almost 20 minutes to have the group to dance close to correctly. We all seemed to have difficulty knowing the difference between our right and left hands. We did such a pitiful job during that one dance; all we could do was laugh. Finally, Wayne had to dance with us to get us to do it correctly. I guess next time, we'll need a marker, so we'll know which is our left and which is our right hand.



## Carousel Club #340

By Ski



I don't know where the time has gone, but it is moving way too fast for me. It seems like it was only yesterday that I wrote my last letter for the Newsletter. Now I have to figure out what I need to write about, that will be of interest to everyone out there.

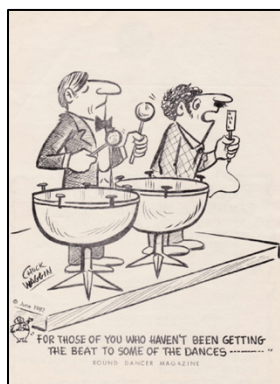
We have been teaching dances from the latest "Round-a-Lab" list of "Rounds of the Quarter". There are some very nice fun dances that have been selected. We were also working on dances that were on the ORDA (Oklahoma Round Dance Association) program which was held at the beginning of the month. The dances presented by Tom Hicks were very nice and obtainable for those that were there. We have already taught a couple of these dances.

For the next month we will be presenting dances that are popular and being danced throughout the county. This should help the dancers going to the Nationals and ICBDA this June and July. These are two great dance events that all round dancers should try to attend and support since we Texas dancers are going to host the National Square and Round Dance Convention in Waco in 2026.

Talking about GREAT dance events, we cannot forget our own "Mid-Tex Festival" which is coming up in a couple of weeks. This will be a super event with Dan Sahlstrom calling the Squares and Chris and Steve Davis doing the Rounds. Are you registered yet? If not, let's get that registration in so your Mid-Tex Committee can finalize their plans. Also don't forget that we will have a "Trails-End Dance" on Friday afternoon. Our own Wayne Weston will be the MC for the Square Dance portion and Trish Morley will MC the Round Dance portion. All callers and cuers are invited to call and cue for this fun-filled afternoon. Remember, by calling or cueing at the "Trails-End Dance", you will receive free admittance to the full weekend of the "Mid-Tex Festival".

Since I cannot think of anything else we will be signing off so I can get this letter to the ASRDA Newsletter Editor, Vickie Merchant. She is doing a great job putting the Newsletter together, and when you have a chance, please THANK her for the time she devotes to your Newsletter.

Take care and see you at Mid-Tex, if not sooner - - - Ski's



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# Country Cuzzins Wildflower Dance and a Stormy, Stormy Night

By Brooke Peters



Country Cuzzins hosted another wonderful Wildflower Dance on April 20<sup>th</sup>. Tim Tyl kept dancers moving and laughing. Ron and Pat Plouch cued round level for anyone who has ever taken round dancing could do. There were plenty of snacks and lots of items to bid on at the Silent Auction. The weather forecast seemed to have kept many people away. Over 70 pre-registration tickets were sold, but only five or six squares were dancing. Those who were there had a great time. There was little rain driving to and from the dance. The storms occurred during the dance. Great timing!

In the beginning of the dance, Country Cuzzins' president, Robert Alexander, reviewed the new Medical Emergency Guidelines just adopted by the ASRDA Delegates at the meeting in April. This was helpful because half-way through the dance, Anita Coffman fell and hit her head in the gym where the snacks were set up. Terry Martin stayed with her until EMS arrived. She waved, smiled and thanked the dancers as she was being wheeled to the ambulance. According to Anita and her daughter, nothing was broken, but a bone in her shoulder was "cracked" and the doctors recommended that she see an orthopedic specialist. Hope you get well soon, Anita!





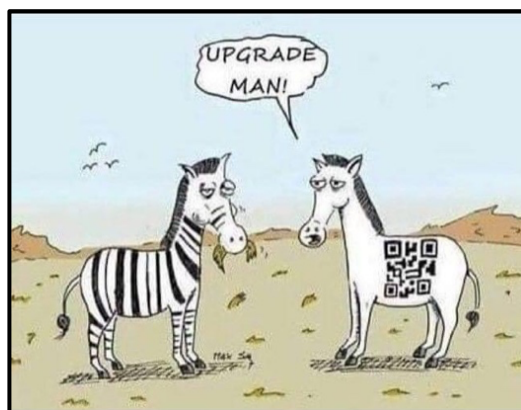
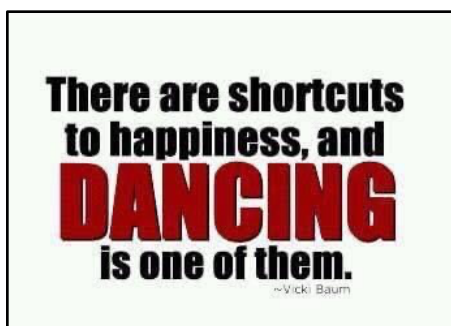
## Cen-Tex Plus and MORE



Join Dan McDonald to review Mainstream calls for new dancers and those who want to brush up on their mainstream skills. Join Dan and others on Monday nights from 6:00-7:00 pm at the VFW Hall in San Marcos at 1701 Hunter Road, which is before the Cen-Tex Plus Club dances.



For all PLUS dancers, you are invited to dance with us on Monday nights from 7:00-9:00 pm. You never know what sequence Chet's calls will be. He's also reviewing calls from different positions. A great way to brush up on your Plus dancing skills. Always a great time with Chet Miles!



We invite experienced dancers to enjoy the fun while dancing with us on Mondays. We dance Plus, mostly, & our caller is Glenn Rogerson.

Let us know that you are coming first so we can make sure we have a big enough space. In our current space we can accommodate 8-10 more.

<https://www.lonestarlambdas.org/contact-us>

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## Shirts N Skirts

By Stephane Arthur



This past month started with me being a nervous wreck because Shirts and Skirts started Plus lessons on April 3rd! Last month we completed Mainstream lessons and graduated a couple squares of students. We want to make sure that they get plenty of floor time. We sent a survey to everyone interested in Plus lessons, did they want the lessons before or after the dance? The reply was split evenly. Hmm. So, the format that Brad is using for the dance starts with a Mainstream tip, teaching a Plus call, and a line dance led by a fantastic trio: Martha Burghart, Patti Brown, and Mike Goggin. This is working well, and it also allows for socializing!

We have new members! Yeah! Thanks to all who joined because this provides strength and support for the livelihood of Square Dancing.

May 8th Shirts and Skirts will be hosting a special dance! The Gospel Dance will have callers Brad Caldwell with special friend Bear Miller, and Lucy and Jerry Pate cueing. What a fun week we'll have because this is just 2 days before Mid-Tex!!!!

So many recent Anniversary Dances these past 2 months! Below see a picture of Shirts and Skirts members at Country Cuzzins Wildflower Dance.

Shirts and Skirts are proud to have the following club members elected to the board of ASRDA: Chuck and Cheryl Sherman, Patti Brown, Mike Goggin, and Tom and Helen Bohmfalk. And thanks to Mary Alice Troxel for being our representative.

See you on the dance floor!



*(L-R) Brad, Deb Parr, the twins Julie & Audrey Pan, Oscar Pan, Steve Armbruster, Wei-chung Pan, Stephanie, Lea Anne Klyberg, Jeff Klyberg, Margaret Troxel, and Debbie Bundy. Missing are Bob and Mary Hightower, Ken and Kathy Plante, and Connie Regier and Jean Ziegler. I am still working on discovering Audrey and Julie for their unique traits so I can tell them apart!*



Shirts and Skirts members at Country Cuzzins Wildflower Dance.

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### Step N Style

By Tricia Morley

Monday	Weekley Center 8440 Greenhouse Rd Cypress, TX	2:00-3:30p. Rumba/Cha Cha, wkshp & figures 3:30-5:00 p – Waltz Ph III & IV, wkshp & figs
Wednesday	Bastrop Community Center 120 Linden St.	6:00-7:00 – Mainstream Square Dance Lessons 7:00-8:00 – Plus Square Dance Lessons 8:00-9:00p – Waltz, Ph III & IV, wkshp & figs.
Sunday	Sun City/Georgetown Atrium, 1 Texas Dr	1:00-2:30 pm – Beginner Waltz, Ph II wkshp & figs 2:30-4:00 p – Jive – Intermediate, wkshop & figs 4:00-5:30 Advanced, All Rhythms, Ph II-VI, wkshp & fig

May 20<sup>th</sup>, Monday, Join Gary Bible and Tricia for a Square and Round Dance at Sun City. Follow us on Facebook: Step 'N Style Rounds. FMI: call Tricia at 713/598-8875 or email to morleyprop@gmail.com

### Taylor Promenaders

By Connie Frazier



Hello everyone. We hope you had a Happy Easter.

We are dancing at our regular time and place. Wish you would come and visit with us. Watch for our 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary dance. We are thinking it will be in July. Our turnout last year was really great. Our business meeting is scheduled for May 30<sup>th</sup> and everything will be finalized then.

We try and have a square of our young boys only since we have 5 of them now. They only get to do the Chicken Dance and some line dances. They enjoy that.

I am enclosing a couple of pictures with Al's helpers. They want to help so bad. Connie's job is to take a picture every night after everything is put in the auto.





## Waterloos

By Sue Gillar



It has been a beautiful month for planning outside activities and picnics. Now we need to think of our approaching special dances.

For the dance on May 21, we made the decision to make it a *Roaring Twenties* theme with Craig Abercrombie calling at our site at 3911 Manchaca Rd., South Austin Senior Center. So, get your flapper apparel together along with your men's suspenders, etc., and join us for a flappin' good time. We will be proposing a toast to the Roaring Twenties after we do a little research on what was happening back then. None of us are old enough to remember the details of that era. What was going on back then? Come and see what we found out. You may have some ancestry you want to share.

The plan for lessons this year have finally begun to take shape but are still in the planning stages. We have a tentative plan to start our once-a-year lessons on September 5 this year if all comes together. We will be submitting a flyer when plans are finalized.

Our slate of officers will be announced at our first dance in July. If voted in, they will pretty much remain the same.

We were glad to have Sam Bloom at our meeting and dinner on Wednesday. It reminded us of "old times". On the 16th of April, we had two couples visit from Wisconsin and Tennessee. They were a great addition to our line dancing even though it was their first time with the dances we did. They were fast learners.

Both Gene Tacchi and Elnora McDonald are recuperating from knee surgery and doing well. They are very thankful for the help they get from their spouses. Wanda and Bruce Carter are constantly on the move taking care of business and supporting Waterloos. They do our flyers, act as secretary, and Bruce provides callers along with Wanda's help with all of it.

We have a fantastic group of people holding down various positions that have helped maintain our club through these difficult times. My thanks go out to all of them who have made the job as president so much easier.





## Wheel N Deals

By Don Rankin

Not much has happened, nor do we have any special events coming up in May.

A majority of our students joined Wheel-N-Deals at the end of March.

The club visited Waterloos on April 30<sup>th</sup> since it's the 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday and we are dark.

