



Music News

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Coming Up

September 6th
Janice Allen and All the Queen's Men

October 3&4
Hall of Fame Weekend

November 1st
To Be Announced

December 5th
To Be Announced



**Ronnie
Elkan**

Letter From The President



Hey there "Dancers and Musicians" I'm happy to say we had a great dance even though we got pelted with high temperatures outside. Inside the "Old" Machinist's Hall A/C worked hard to keep us cooler. That was a tough job but we got through it and we are happy to have a regular hall to have our dance. The Machinist's are constantly working to improve it, and that is why we have not had a Jam Room for 2 dances. Thankfully, our Jam Room will be reopened for our next dance. As far as the weather goes it looks like it will be in the low 90's on September 6th, so it should be real comfortable inside the hall.

You don't want to miss a "Full Show" of Janice Allen and All the Queen's Men coming to WSS on Sunday September 6th. Janice is always there to help out the house band with a few songs but this is a chance for you to dance and listen to a whole show.

The first band from our last dance was spectacular. Bob Woods always does a great job of providing a true blend of western swing music and original music that he and band members have written and recorded. We can't thank Bob and his band for contributing his time and talent to the Western Swing Society.

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Western Swing Society

Presents

**Janice Allen
and All the Queen's Men**



Sunday, September 6, 2026

12pm Free Dance Lesson

1pm Janice Allen and All the Queen's Men

3pm Hall of Famers House Band

Jam Room

Food and Drink Available for Purchase

50/50 Raffle

2749 Sunrise Blvd, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742

2026 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



Brett Cole



Wendy DeWitt



Kirk Harwood



Cornell Hurd



Alfred Johns



Scott Lawrence



Roger Resler



Greg Brooding



Chris Wilkinson



Linda McCarley
Distinguished Service Award

AWARDS CEREMONY SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3RD 12PM



Western Swing Society
Presents

**HALL OF FAME
FESTIVAL
WEEKEND**

**OCTOBER
3RD-4TH
2026**

Looking forward to another great year of Hall of Fame Inductees, fabulous bands, free dance lessons, a welcoming Jam Room, great dancing, and all of our friends!

2749 Sunrise Blvd.
Rancho Cordova, CA 95742

**Hall of Fame
Induction Ceremony
October 3rd
12PM**



2026

WESTERN SWING SOCIETY
Presents

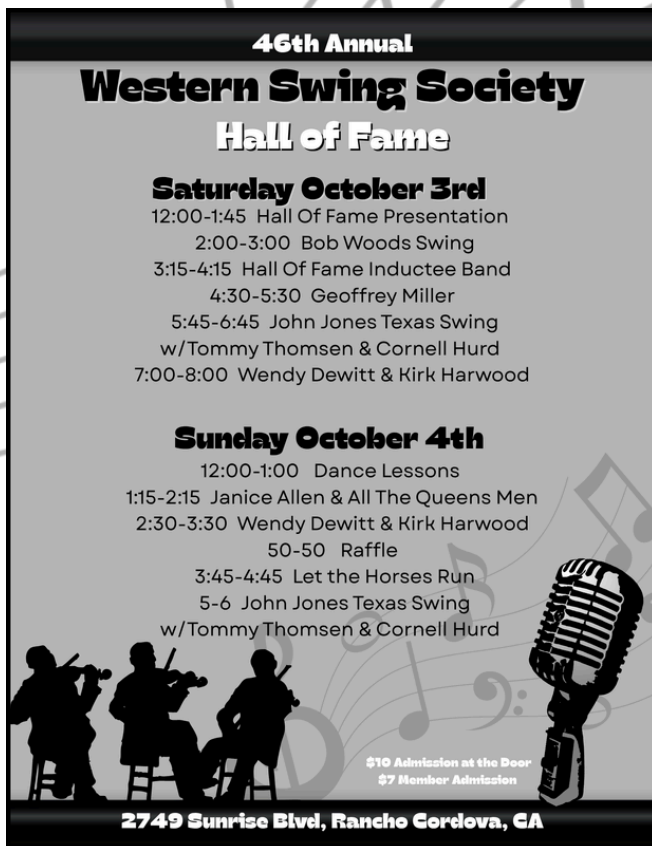
HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

BRETT COLE
WENDY DEWITT
KIRK HARWOOD
CORNELL HURD
ALFRED JOHNS
SCOTT LAWRENCE
ROGER RESLER
GREG BROODING
CHRIS WILKINSON

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
LINDA MCCARLY

HALL OF FAME
CEREMONY
SAT OCTOBER
3RD!

HALL OF FAME FESTIVAL OCTOBER 3RD & 4TH



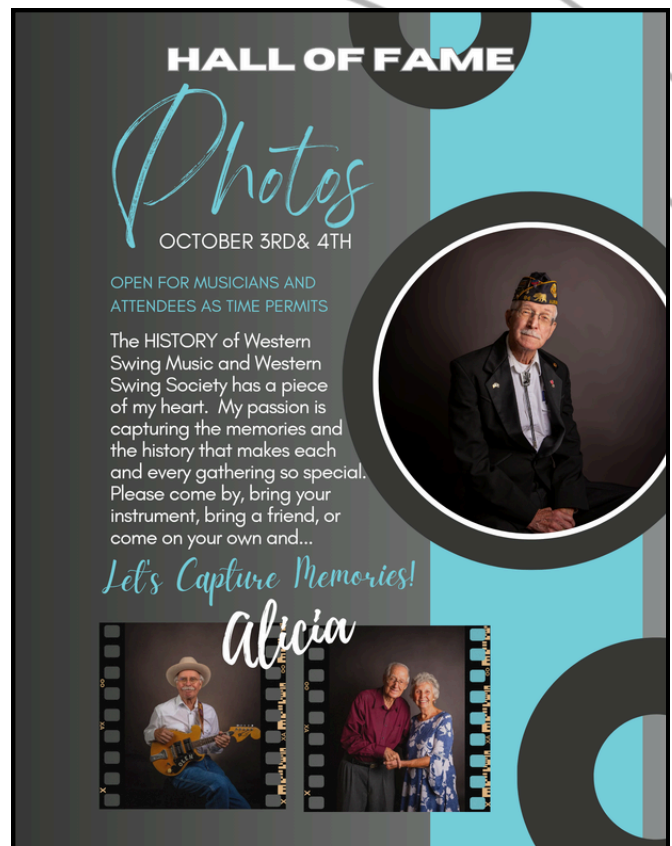
**46th Annual
Western Swing Society
Hall of Fame**

Saturday October 3rd
12:00-1:45 Hall Of Fame Presentation
2:00-3:00 Bob Woods Swing
3:15-4:15 Hall Of Fame Inductee Band
4:30-5:30 Geoffrey Miller
5:45-6:45 John Jones Texas Swing
w/Tommy Thomsen & Cornell Hurd
7:00-8:00 Wendy Dewitt & Kirk Harwood

Sunday October 4th
12:00-1:00 Dance Lessons
1:15-2:15 Janice Allen & All The Queens Men
2:30-3:30 Wendy Dewitt & Kirk Harwood
50-50 Raffle
3:45-4:45 Let the Horses Run
5-6 John Jones Texas Swing
w/Tommy Thomsen & Cornell Hurd

**\$10 Admission at the Door
\$7 Member Admission**

2749 Sunrise Blvd, Rancho Cordova, CA



HALL OF FAME
Photos
OCTOBER 3RD & 4TH

OPEN FOR MUSICIANS AND
ATTENDEES AS TIME PERMITS

The HISTORY of Western
Swing Music and Western
Swing Society has a piece
of my heart. My passion is
capturing the memories and
the history that makes each
and every gathering so special.
Please come by, bring your
instrument, bring a friend, or
come on your own and...

Let's Capture Memories!

Alicia

MEET YOUR HOSTS



**CHUCK
WEBB**



**DAVE
RIETZ**

COME ON IN, SING A SONG, PLAY AN INSTRUMENT AND MAKE NEW FRIENDS! LOOK FOR THE SIGN UP SHEET IF YOU'D LIKE TO PARTICIPATE OR SEE ONE OF OUR HOSTS!

JAM ROOM IS OPEN FOR 9/6 EVENT

Western Swing Society

Jam Room

Want to try out singing a song or two or playing an instrument with a group?
Join us in a comfortable environment!



1st Sunday Of The Month beginning at 12pm

2749 Sunrise Blvd Rancho Cordova, CA

All skill levels welcome!

50/50 RAFFLE WINNERS



Board Meeting Invitation
You can attend the Society's monthly Board meetings; Please contact any board member if you would like to attend on Google Meet or if you have a suggestion.

Letter from the President

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Bob Woods swing band consisted of Bob Woods on guitar, sax and vocals; Joe Ybarra on pedal steel; Gary Campbell on acoustic guitar and vocals; Brett Cole on stand up bass; Olen Dillingham on 5-string mandolin, fiddle and vocal; John Girton on guitar; Brad Barnett on keyboard, sax and vocal; John Gardiner on drums.

Our incredible Hall of Fame band took the stage after the raffle and a short dance lesson. There are a group of folks who like the house band so much they get a second wind and dance till the lights turn out. As part of the Hall of Fame Band, I thank you so much. We had a special guest this month. Brian Cogburn, a fiddle master and Hall of Famer, joined our band for the show. The band was Jimmy Baughman on guitar and vocal; Ralph Chase on keyboard and vocal; Steve Clark on bass guitar and vocals; Ronnie Elkan on fiddle; Bill Cornett on drums and vocals; Aaron Smith on drums and vocals. We were lucky enough to have Janice Allen, Linda Baughman and Nancy Long come up and sing with the band. The voting for our new Hall of Fame inductees is in and we have an incredible group being put in the HOF. October is always our HOF weekend and we will try and make it a great one. This year it will be a two day event with bands playing all day on Saturday October 3rd and Sunday October 4th.

See Ya On Sunday September 6th, Ronnie

Ice Cream Bars

\$1 Each

**for a limited time*

DONATE ITEMS TO OUR...

Silent Auction

We are looking for donations of items for our silent auction taking place during Hall of Fame weekend to benefit:

Western Swing Society

Carol Spiker has graciously taken on managing the Silent Auction again this year!

We are collecting:

- Music memorabilia
- Art Items
- Home Decor
- Giftable Items
- Tickets
- And more!

Please bring your items for the Silent Auction to our September 6th Dane or contact her and let her know what you'll be bringing!

Carol Spiker
916-723-2314

WESTERN SWING SOCIETY

Join Us For Our
Country
Dance Lesson
At Noon

\$10 Admission Includes Dance Lessons and Live Music

☆ 2 Step
☆ Country Waltz
☆ East Coast Swing
☆ West Coast Swing
☆ Partner Dances
☆ Line Dances

Common Partner and Line Dances at our events

Partner Dances	Line Dances
Cowboy Cha Cha	Alley Cat
Horseshoe Special	Waltz Across Texas
Drifter	Power Jam
	Electric Slide
	Tush Push
10 Step	
Cotton Eyed Joe	

12pm-5pm 1st Sunday Of Every Month
2749 Sunrise Blvd Rancho Cordova, CA

PO Box 2474

Carmichael, CA 95609

Website:westernswingsociety.net

Facebook:SacramentoWesternSwingSociety

Founded in 1981 by Loyd and Perry Jones to enable performance, preservation and perpetuation of the unique American art form known as Western Swing Music.

Officers:

President: Ronnie Elkan (916) 765-4345

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Arron Smith

Ralph Chase

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50/50 Raffle: Bob and Virginia Kuykendall

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Website Manager: Dave Rietz

Hall of Fame Silent Auction: Carol Spiker

Popcorn: Caroline and Rose

Any Changes?

Keep us up to date on any changes in your membership information, especially email addresses.

We can't get your newsletter to you unless we have your current information.

You can mail changes in your information to the Society at:

P.O. Box 2474

Carmichael, CA 95609

or email it to

membership@westernswingsociety.net

Thanks! Keep on Western Swingin'

Membership

SCAN ME!



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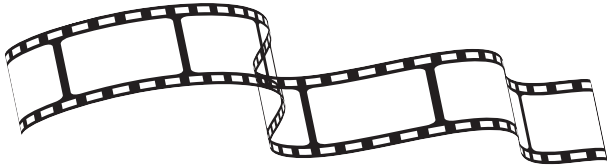
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Deadline for Submittals:

All items, photographs, articles, and ads are due to the Editor no later than the 10th of the month.



PICTURES NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

PICTURES ARE NOW AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE:
[HTTP://WESTERNSWINGSOCIETY.NET/](http://westernswingsociety.net/). OR ON

[HTTPS://PHOTOS.APP.GOO.GL/TSDZZWZ8BDDPB7FS8](https://photos.app.goo.gl/TSDZZWZ8BDDPB7FS8)

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Let's Eat!

PLACE YOUR ORDER AT THE BACK COUNTER

Cobb Salad

Pulled Pork

Cheeseburger

Hot Dog

Western Swing Society
Café Menu

Serving time: 12pm - 3:15pm

Hamburger with chips or potato salad	\$9.00
Double Burger— add \$2.00	
Cheeseburger with chips or potato salad	\$9.50
Double Burger— add \$2.00	
Beyond Burger (Plant based)	\$11.00
Pulled Pork with coleslaw	\$10.00
Cobb Salad	\$11.00
Hot Dog with chips or potato salad	\$5.00
Chips	\$0.50

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

Food provided by The Auxiliary
ALA Unit 233 Elk Grove

BANDS





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BY
ALICIA FOX WEST





OTHER WESTERN SWING MUSIC ORGANIZATIONS/MUSIC HAPPENINGS

Buck Ford & Pure Country:
<https://buckford.com/events/>

Geoffrey Miller Music:
<https://www.facebook.com/geoffreymillermusic?mibextid=ZbWKwL>
<https://www.facebook.com/cadillac.rodeo.90sCountry?mibextid=ZbWKwL>

Carolyn Sills Combo:
<https://www.carolynsills.com/>

Cowtown Society of Western Music
Joe Baker, Membership Director
 940-452-6300
 4361 F.M. 1195, Mineral Springs, TX 76067

Grace Clark and Swingitude:
www.graceclarkmusic.com. 925-443-5217

Greater Arizona Country/Western Swing Association and Hall of Fame, Inc.:
 PO Box 953, Dewey, AZ 86326
 Contact Jim Gamble at 928-458-0714.
 Hot Club of Cowtown:
<https://hotclubofcowtown.com/>

The Lincoln Highway Trio:
 Every Tuesday, 1:15-3:45pm. Mission Oaks Community Center, 4701 Gibbons Dr, Carmichael. \$8 cover at the door.

Cowtown Birthplace of Western Swing
<https://www.birthplaceofwesternswing.com>

Slade Rivers Band:
<https://sladeriversband.com/events/>

Western Swing Music Society of the Southwest:
 PO Box 644, Shattuck, OK 73858.
 Meets quarterly. www.wsmss.com.

Cliff Huey 27 Outlaws Band:
<https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=cliff%20huey%2027%20outlaws>

Rhonda Lynn & Edgewood Station:
 Rhonda Rogers 916-240-8736
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[facebook.com/rhondalynn66](https://www.facebook.com/rhondalynn66)

Let The Horses Run:
 Contact info (530) 228-1447
<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61574883143066&mibextid=ZbWKwL>

Kenny and the Crickets
<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100062317545410&mibextid=ZbWKwL>



MONTHLY MUSIC SESSIONS

The Western Swing Society holds a music/dance session on the first Sunday of each month, featuring guest bands, artists, a jam room and free dance lessons

12:00 pm to 5:00 pm
 at The Machinists Hall
 2749 Sunrise Blvd.,
 Rancho Cordova, CA

Donation: \$7 for Members;
 \$10 for Non-Members

Food and Drink Available for Purchase

For information, browse to

www.westernswingsociety.net
 *The address is Sunrise, but the driveway is on Citrus.



Driving Instructions to MACHINISTS HALL: From Hwy 50, take the Sunrise Blvd. South exit and cross two lights (Folsom Blvd. and Trade Center Drive). After crossing Trade Center, be in the left lane and take the next left turn which is Citrus Road. You will see an Enterprise Car Rental lot in front of you. Turn right into the driveway just past Enterprise. You'll see our sign, and you are there. Park, come in and join the fun!