



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for January 13th, 2019

Message from the President

Dave and Lorraine Burson

Happy Sunday Everybody,

I hope you all enjoyed the New Dance and Chili Dinner Dance that we had on Friday night. It was a cold rainy evening and a perfect evening for chili. I am very pleased to say the dance was successful with several new dancers from the North Texas area. They all danced with the ability and looked as though that they had been dancing for a long time. We had 57 visitors and 65 Swinging Stars for a total of 122 Dancers attending Friday night. The Kissin Kuzzins had 18 and retrieved their banner and captured one from us. The Texas Reelers also had 18 dancers attending and also retrieved their banner and captured one from the Swinging Stars. Wayne called a very energetic, fun dance and for an extra treat Wayne invited Dave Viera to call some of the tips with him. Walter provided a good array of Rhythms for all the Round dancers to enjoy. New Dancer Dance and Chili Night turn into a moneymaker.

A mix-up in the Refreshments scheduling for Feb. 8th and Feb. 22nd

There has been a mix-up with the Refreshments scheduling for the February Theme dance date. The correct date for the Mardi Gras theme dance is advertised and is in the Promenade for February 22, 2019. The original date it was scheduled to be. I hope this don't cause any problems with the refreshments committee. When I finally noticed this discrepancy in the newsletter I contacted Karen Hawkins and she said she would contact those involved. In case you have not yet heard about this and if you are on the schedule for one of these two dates please be sure of the date you are serving by contacting Karen Hawkins 214-436-8568 or markt.karenl@gmail.com.

Don't miss this Free Dance

The NTCA Dancer Appreciation dance is on Jan 27, 2019. It will be lots of fun with a variety of callers and cuers from the North Texas caller's Association calling and cueing. The Appreciation dance will be at the Swingtime Center 5100 S.E. Loop 820 Fort Worth, TX. 76140. See the ad on Page 5 of the January Promenade.

I recommend Car Pooling.

Put this date on your calendar.

Sunday March 17, 2019 4:00 to 8:00 U.S.O. Benefit Dance. See ad on Page 14 of the February Promenade. The February Promenade is accessible by going to NORTEX.org and scroll down to Online Promenade and click on February 2019 Promenade. This is all the information I have at this time about this dance. I feel that there will be more to come.

From the Anniversary Dance Chairman Anne and Russ Nejd

Anniversary Dance Update:

The Swinging Stars Anniversary Dance is scheduled for March 30th – this is a 5th Saturday. We have reserved All Saints Catholic Church in Dallas at 5231 Meadowcreek Drive. Our guest caller is Paul Cote. Paul usually draws a big crowd so this is the reason for moving our dance to the 5th Saturday and for reserving the bigger venue to accommodate the large crowds we are expecting. The dance theme will be A Starry Night of Dancing with the Stars. We will be serving a salad supper with desserts. In order to earn more revenue from this dance, we are going to have a tin can auction in addition to the honey pot and money auction. We are asking club members to donate items for the tin can auction. If you have any gift cards that you are not going to use or have an unwanted and **unused** item, these would make excellent prizes. We can accept homemade items too. Several club members are donating some handmade items we will offer. Cash donations to purchase gift cards to restaurants are appreciated. Russ and I will be visiting businesses and restaurants in the area to get donations and have some gift cards already.

We will be passing around sign-up sheets for job duties and food donations at our January 25th club dance. Every club member will be expected to sign up to bring either 2 salads or 2 desserts each feeding 24. Everyone is also expected to sign up for a job duty and the whole club will clean up after the dance. We count on the anniversary dance be a big money raiser for our club. Please help us make this dance a success.

Thank you,
Anne and Russ Nejd
Anniversary Dance Chairman

Swinging Stars Dues are due!

Just a friendly reminder, your 2019 dues are due!

You can pay:

Quarters	Couple	Single
1 Qtr	45.00	22.50
2 Qtrs.	90.00	45.00
3 Qtrs.	135.00	67.50
4 Qtrs.	180.00	90.00

Please send check **PAYABLE TO Swinging Stars**.

Send To: Charlie and Linda Harris
9434 Hilldale Drive
Dallas, TX 75231

Message from JL and Linda Pelton about Round Dance Lessons

Rumba and Cha Cha class started this past Saturday with an enthusiastic group of new and returning dancers to learn these fun rhythms. Are you still considering joining us but missed Saturday? We will take new students the second week of class. Walter cued a good mix of beginning dances in all rhythms Friday night at the new dancer dance -- and yes, those Rumba and Cha Cha dances he cued, you will be able to dance after we finish these lessons.

Time: 11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. on Saturdays (yay, you get to have a leisurely breakfast before coming to class)

Where: Carpenter Recreation Center, 6701 Coit Road, Plano.

Sign up: Call Carpenter Rec. at 972-208-8087 or use the online catalog available through plano.gov. The Beginning Rumba and Cha Cha class is #15732 or you can just search for Pelton as the instructor. Hope to see you there!

Happening This Week

Wednesday, Jan 16th – Plus 4s

Charles Quisenberry– 7:30 PM Plus

Friday, Jan 18th – Kissin Kuzzins

Wayne Baldwin & JL Pelton–

7:00 PM Early Rounds, 7:30 PM Workshop, 8:00 PM Grand March

Saturday, Jan 19th – Triangle Squares

Jerry Gilbreath, Toby Thomason & Karen Gloodt

7:30 PM Early Rounds - 8:00 PM Grand March

2nd VP Report

From Ron and Donita See

The Kissin' Kuzzins are having their Barn Dance this Friday and the Triangle Squares are having their Anniversary dance on Saturday – two very good dances you will not want to miss.

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.

Banners Captured by the Swinging Stars

Club	Date Captured
Log Cabin Swingers	6. May. 2017
T-Square Gadabouts	04/20/18
Lone Star Solos	11/29/18
Dixie Chainers	01/12/19

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Roadrunners	11/30/18
Rebel Rousers	11/30/18
Texas Reelers	1/11/19
Kissin' Kuzzins	1/11/19

* * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * *

Dixie Chainers – Saturday, January 12

8 Swinging Stars visited the Dixie Chainers in Farmers Branch for their Boots & Jeans dance. Club caller Bobby Willis and club cuer Jack von der Heide combined to create a wonderful evening of dancing. We captured their banner. Swinging Stars attending were the Edwards, Evantos, Sees and Stewarts.

* * * COMING EVENTS * * *

Plus 4s

Date: Wednesday, 16Jan19
Caller: Charles Quisenberry
Time: PL - 7:30PM
Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

Kissin' Kuzzins – Barn Dance

Date: Friday, 18Jan19
Callers: Wayne Baldwin
Cuer: JL Pelton
Time: ER – 7:00PM, Mainstream WS – 7:30PM, GM – 8:00PM
Location: Garland Senior Center
Ave A, Garland

Triangle Squares – Red & White Sweetheart Ball – 44th Anniversary Dance

Date: Saturday, 19Jan19
Caller: Jerry Gilbreath, Toby Thomason
Cuer: Karen Gloodt
Time: ER – 7:30PM, GM – 8:00PM
Location: Denton Civic Center
321 E. McKinney Ave, Denton
Note: New location, Anniversary Dance, **Banner Raid**

Swinging Stars – Friday, Jan 25th

Caller: Wayne Baldwin
Cuer: Walter Brewer
Time: ER – 7:00PM / PL – 7:45PM / GM – 8:00PM
Location: Shepard Elementary School (1000 Wilson Dr, Plano, TX)
Website: <http://www.swingingstars.org>
Notes: club dance

Tri-City Promenaders – Starry, Starry Night

Date: Saturday, 26Jan19
Caller: Vernon Jones
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: ER – 7:00PM, PL - 7:30PM, GM – 8:00PM
Location: Brookside Center
1244 Brookside Drive, Hurst
Note: **Banner Raid**

NTCA Dancer Appreciation Dance - Free Dance

Date: Sunday, 27Jan19
Caller: NTCA Callers
Cuer: NTCA Cuers
Time: GM - 7:30PM, GM
Location: Swingtime Center
5100 SE Loop 820 Fort Worth, TX. 76140
Note: **Free Dance**

Other Events:

Thursday January 17, Ladies Luncheon

The January Ladies Luncheon will be hosted by Sandra Rose at the "Chocolate Angel Located in the High Street Antique Mall at 75 and Plano Parkway, on Thursday the 17th at 11:30. The address is 800 Central Expressway, Plano. This is one of our favorites. Please come and enjoy visiting with the ladies of the Swinging Stars and you will be able to enjoy all Chocolate angel's food and especially their "World Renowned Strawberry Pretzel Salad". Yummy yum.

Check out their Menu by going to www.chocolateangel.com

Please RSVP to Sandra Rose by January 15th. At 972-768-0468 or Email amma.sandy@icloud.com

Refreshment Duty Information

From Mark and Karen Hawkins (Refreshment scheduler)

We want to thank these team members for your contribution to Swinging Stars. Your efforts make Swinging Stars the best club to visit in the metropollex.

Team leader should contact their team members the week before the dance prior to their scheduled dance so that each member can pick up a Refreshment Bag after that dance. Teams are responsible for food of their choice, ice and 5 tablecloths, which can be purchased at any Wal-Mart or Dollar Tree. If you need supplies contact First Vice Presidents Walt and Diana Whipple. Please do not buy supplies without first checking with the Whipplés (469.737.3632). For answers to your questions about the Refreshments Committee Duties please call or text Mark (214.536.5863) or Karen Hawkins (214.537.0446) or email markt.karenl@gmail.com.

Team members are responsible for finding a replacement if they are unable to fulfill their scheduled obligation (refer to the schedule below for possible subs – see current roster for email address or phone number). Please email Mark and Karen at markt.karenl@gmail.com of the change.

January 11 – **Pitts**, Bivins, Estep, Kilejian (Theme – New Dancer Dance & Chili Dinner)

January 25 – **Hawkins**, Hardin, Reid, ???

February 8 – **Bergesen**, Evanto, Mosher, NejdI

February 22 – **Dennison**, Gifford, Lassiter, See (Theme - Mardi Gras)

March 8 – **Colter**, Pelton, Pharr, Zhang

March 30 – **Anniversary Dance** (All Members participate)

Sunshine information

Just wanted to let you know that Eula Brewer is going to have some surgery on Jan 15. I ask Walter to keep us up to date on her progress and this is what he said on the Jan.10. "I will keep y'all up to date as Eula goes thru her surgery and recovery. Since her surgery is in OKC, that is where she will be doing her rehab/recovery, etc. We don't get mail there and don't have Internet there either.

I'm telecommuting (with an I-Pad) so I don't need Internet to work. Therefore, there isn't a great way to do communication except by text / phone. I will go once or twice a week to a place w/ wi-fi so email is okay, just not quick. My plan for her is for her to stay in OKC for at least 3 months - before making the long drive home and we have friends who will look in on her when I come for my repatriation visits back to Texas. I will be coming back on Thursday nights to get mail and to cue for SS dances on Friday nights.

Cheers, Walter Brewer"

Please remember Eula and Walter in your prayers, If you want to send cards you can send the to their home here at 813 W. Crossland Blvd. Grand Prairie TX 75052-6546. And he will carry them to her.

Thank you,
Lorraine

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

Our first dance of the year drew a large crowd of visitors and our own members. It was good to see several of our members back after illnesses and other aches and pains.

Listening Device Information

From Gene and Phyllis Deluke

At our dances, the Swinging Stars are pleased to loan, free of charge, a "listening device" to any requesting dancer. Current inventory is two devices, offered on a first-come first-served basis as each dance starts. To answer questions about the listening device email gene_deluke@hotmail.com or phone 972-234-2401.

Notice to anyone interested in purchasing a listening device receiver for square or round dancing, Charles Harris has two new William Sound PPA R-37 receivers and one like new used. The new units are priced at \$90.00 and the used one at \$50.00. All units include the earphone. These are 17 channel units versus the 3 channel Listen Brand units and have a five year warranty. If you are interested in purchasing a unit, email Charlie Harris at harris0907@sbcglobal.net or phone 214-348-5361.

Web Master Dave Burson

Be sure to check out our web page: www.swingingstars.org

There is a lot of information about what is going on with the Swinging Stars.

For information about weekend dances, go to our Web Page and click on Weekends.

Special dates to put on your calendar

Sunday Jan 27, 2019 The NTCA Dancer Appreciation Dance

Sunday March 17 2019 U.S.O. Benefit Dance

Saturday March 30, 2019 Swinging Stars 44th Anniversary Dance

Dave and Lorraine Burson

Swinging Stars Presidents

Email: president@swingingstars.org

Phone: 972-396-0941

See Flyer below



Swinging Stars

Celebrates



Honey Pot
Banner Game

MARDI GRAS

Solo Board
Refreshments

February 22, 2019

Shepard Elementary School -- 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano, Tx

Caller Wayne Baldwin
Cuer Walter Brewer



Early Rounds 7:00
Plus Tip 7:45
Grand March 8:00

SAVE THE DATE MARCH 30, 2019

SWINGING STARS 44th ANNIVERSARY DANCE

A Starry Night Dancing with the Stars

**CALLER WAYNE BALDWIN, GUEST CALLER PAUL COTE
CUER WALTER BREWER**

Dancers under 18 dance free when accompanied by a paying adult.
For Info Contact 469-865-4162 or president@Swingingstars.org



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