



# Swinging Stars

## Square and Round Dance Club



*Newsletter for October 21, 2012*

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### OFFICIAL DANCE

#### OFFICIAL NORTEX ROUND-UP DANCE 2012

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**We are asking for angles to come to Round-up on Saturday morning to help Angle our students. We will have students attending and it is good if we are there to angel them. The Round-up New Dancer Dance is at 11:00am in Hall A. Caller will be Mike Bramlett. There will be 2 cash drawings during the New Dancer dance. A \$50 cash drawing for a student and a \$25 cash drawing for an angel. Last year one of our students won the \$50 drawing. Who will be a winner this year?**

**The dress for Friday night is square dance casual. The dress for Saturday during the day is casual. The Official dress for Saturday night is square dance attire, Black and White with a touch of Color. Sunday morning is also casual. I hope everyone will be attending Round-up.**

**Again, read the schedule of events on Page 18 of the October Promenade.**

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## SWINGING STARS THIRD ANNUAL

### CHILI AND DESSERTS

### COOK OFF



**Friday, November 9th**

**Desserts are also part of the contest. So if you want to enter your favorite dessert instead of chili (or in addition to), that would be fine.**

**We usually have a good turn out of visitors for this special event, so we will need several entries for the competitions.**

Please plan to participate, we'd like you to sign up ASAP.

Send an email to [garyfamy@yahoo.com](mailto:garyfamy@yahoo.com)

- Everyone will be judging the Chili and Desserts. Taste as many as you would like.
- The refreshments committee will be supplying the cheese, onions etc, along with the beverage.
- Please bring your chili in a crock pot.
- Be sure to bring a serving utensil for both Chili and Desserts.
- Awards will be given for "Best Chili" and "Best Dessert"
- Voting will be by the dancers the night of the dance.

Reply to [garyfamy@yahoo.com](mailto:garyfamy@yahoo.com). Please let Gary know what you are bringing: Chili; Dessert; or Both.

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## The Fourth Quarter Dues Are Due

We still have some that have not paid their dues. Please contact the treasurer if you are not sure if your dues are paid or not. Dues are due the first dance of a quarter. The 4th Quarter started on October 1st.

Contact the Treasurer, Jim Reid at [jreid45@att.net](mailto:jreid45@att.net)

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## MAINSTREAM LESSONS

Thank you to all the Angels for last Tuesday's Lessons: Barry and Helen Feldman, Mark and Karen Hawkins, Dave & Lorraine Burson, Ralph & Lucy Hamm, Joe & Coleta Lewis, and Kenneth Henneberger. You make the lessons easier! We had a light turn out for lessons this past week. We think we will have more of the students show up for lessons this week. We will be needing angles to angel them. Please contact me [Lorraine@Bursons.us](mailto:Lorraine@Bursons.us) and let me know if you are coming. That way if we are not going to have enough angles coming I can try to get some more people to attend the lessons.

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## NOMINATIONS ARE COMPLETE FOR OFFICERS

The Nominations Committee has a full slate of officers that will serve as the Executive Committee for the first half of 2013.

They are:

President, Richard and Jan Covington  
1st Vice President, Mark and Karen Hawkins  
2nd Vice President, Bob and Terri Pitts  
Secretary, Gene and Phyllis Deluke  
Treasurer, John and Ann Barber.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the Nominations Committee for doing a GREAT job recruiting these members to be our officers for next year. THANK YOU! Vicki and Tom Evanto, Fran and Gary Bivins, Jack and Louise Duncan and Peggy Amy for working so hard to fill all the officer positions.

Election of officers will be at our Regular Fourth Quarter Business Meeting to be held on November 11, at Spring Creek Barbecue, 270 North Central Expressway, Richardson at 3:00pm.

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## EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

### Ladies Luncheon

**Wednesday, October 17 @ 11:30.** Thank you Janelle Row for setting up the luncheon for us this month. We had 6 Lady Stars attending. The restaurant was just as Janelle had described, an intimate Italian restaurant. And the food was delicious. Again thank you.

### Dance of Interest

**Friday, October 19. PEA PICKER CLUB SPECIAL.** Peggy and Gary Amy, Dave and Lorraine Burson, Deckard and Peggy Pharr, John Smith and Mary Hardin enjoyed the calling of Mike Sikorsky Friday evening. What a treat. Even if you didn't dance it was a treat to watch. He is a very talented caller. He called to tunes that I have never danced to before. After the regular dance had ended we stayed to dance the DBD Plus tip. It was very challenging, but we did fairly well. Hoping to make the trip serve a dual purpose, we took flyers to advertise our Anniversary Dance, "Dancing with the Stars". We actually had some say that they would like to come and dance with us on our special night.

### Official Visitation

**Saturday, October 20. Rebel Rousers Sunset Dance.** Caller Mike Bramlett. Cued Christine Hixson. Swinging Stars were shining bright last night. We had an excellent representation from our club. We had 26 visiting club members attending. Those attending were Gary and Peggy Amy, Dave and Lorraine Burson, Richard and Jan Covington, Jack and Louise Duncan, Mel and Sondra Foust, Charlie and Linda Harris, John and Isabel Jimison, Rick and Dorinda Meier, Bill and Windy Perrott, Peggy and Deckard Pharr, Bob and Terri Pitts, John Smith and Mary Hardin, Walt and Diana Whipple and a couple that will be soon joining our club, that were members years ago, Dan and Nina Lassiter. Thank all of you for helping us to capture the Rebel Rousers Banner.

### Dance of Interest

**Sunday, October 21, 2:00 to 4:00. NTCA and NORTEX** Fun Dance Party.  
Callers: Jon Jones and Deborah Carroll-Jones. These two callers were very good at going over the trouble spots and correcting the new dancers that were having some trouble with the calls. They worked with them till they could do the calls. Everyone enjoyed learning some line dances taught by John Pryor. We had four student couples attending. They were Ron and Donita See, Harry and Zari Kilejian, Peter and Jeannie Rickert, and Skip and Margaret Archer. They all did very well and said that they enjoyed the dance. Thank you to Ralph and Lucy Hamm, Bob and Terri Pitts, Gary and Peggy Amy and Dave and Lorraine Burson for being angels.

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## COMING IN OCTOBER

### Official Dance

**Friday, October 26. CALLER'S CAVALCADE.** Callers and Cuers will be a cavalcade of members of the North Texas Caller's Association. Early Rounds at 7:00 Grand March at 7:45. We need you to attend so that we can get our club in the drawing for a \$50.00 rebate from the NTCA. Please read the ad on page 7 of the October Promenade for more information. I know you will be there!

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## EVENTS IN NOVEMBER

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

**Saturday, November 3.** The Swinging Stars fourth quarter Executive Committee will be meeting at 1:00 at the Burson's home. If anyone has a topic of interest that they would like to have the Committee discuss, please contact Dave Burson and arrange for a time to visit with the committee to have your ideas or thoughts discussed.

### Swinging Stars Regular Business Meeting

**Sunday, November, 11.** The fourth quarter regular business meeting will be held at Spring Creek Barbeque at 3:00pm. We will be electing new officers to the club as required by the Constitution that states:

"These officers shall be elected from the Club members to a six-month term beginning February 1<sup>st</sup> and August 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. Elections shall take place at November and May quarterly club meetings. An officer may not succeed himself more than once unless approved by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present and voting, with the exception of the Treasurer's position, which may not be held consecutively for more than two six-month terms."

We can not have a business meeting unless we have a quorum. A quorum at all Club meetings shall consist of the presence of at least one-fourth of the members of the Club and at least two officers of the Club.

Please plan to attend. When I made the reservation at Spring Creek they were very reluctant to reserve it on a Sunday. Saying that was one of their busiest days. The manager went ahead and reserved it for us. So please let's make it worth their while to let us have our meeting there, so we can continue to hold our meetings in their restaurant. It isn't easy to find a place that is willing to let us utilize their space for our Business Meetings.

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## Schedule of advertised Theme Dances for the remainder of the year.

November 9  Chili Cook Off and Honor our Veterans Dance

December 14  New Dancer Dance/Toys & Books for Children's Advocacy  
Gen. Benefit Dance

January 25, 2013 Anniversary Dance

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## REFRESHMENTS DUTY AND INFORMATION

### Refreshment Schedule – thru December 2012

Lead couple is first name on the list.

October 26 Dance Cancelled due to Callers Cavalcade Dance

November 9 Amy, Feldman, Henneberger, Sherman\*

November 23 Dance Cancelled due to Thanksgiving Holiday

December 14 Dennison, Giaudrone/Benedetto, Loxsom, Bullock

December 28 Dance Cancelled due to the school not being available to us.

Those with a \* next to their name should not be in the Leader position until further notice.  
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 the PISD we are not to be in the gym before 7:00; refreshments shut down at 9:30 pm (no earlier).
- Repack bags in a Tidy Manner. If you take home a refreshment bag check that it has all the items listed on the Fluorescent Hang Tag in the bag. And be sure all items are clean.
- 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. Or 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@gmail.com](mailto:rehamm45@gmail.com) for supplies prior to purchasing by Monday prior to club dance. We may already have what you need.
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Sunday, November 11. Swinging Stars Regular Business Meeting

Friday, December 7th. Swinging Stars Christmas Party

Sunday, December 2nd. Toys for Tots dance in the afternoon and a Christmas Dance in the evening. More information as it becomes available.

Friday, January 25th. Swinging Stars Anniversary Dance.

Sunday, January 27th. Singing call and Round Dance of the year

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## **Houston Hoe-down - Galveston, TX November 16 & 17**

The Houston Hoe-down (Houston version of NORTEX Round-Up) will be at Moody Gardens in Galveston, TX and features caller Dee Dee Dougherty and cuer Mark Prow.

Dancing will be Friday 7:00PM-11:00PM and Saturday 9:30AM-10:30PM.

There will be four dance halls on Saturday:

- 1) Mainstream / Plus with Rounds,
- 2) Rounds & Intro to Rounds,
- 3) Plus DBD / A1 / A2 and intro to A1,
- 4) Lines / Contra / Clogging.

**The cost is \$25 ea. if you register by Oct.30th.**

Let Bob Pitts ([bobp8211@gmail.com](mailto:bobp8211@gmail.com)) know so you can be included in the event planning.

The link to the event flyer is:

<http://www.squarethru.com/Hoedown%20Flyer%202012-L.pdf>.

Looks like a good group so far:

Bob & Terri Pitts

Dave & Lorraine Burson

Rick & Jan Covington

Bill & Wendy Perrott

Gary & Peggy Amy

Peggy & Deckard Pharr - probable

Thanks,

Bob

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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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Dave and Lorraine Burson

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