



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for May 6th, 2018

Message from the President

Dave and Lorraine Burson

Before I get started with today's message I want to be sure that all of you know that our dance this Friday will be at Wilson Middle School 1001 Custer Road, not at Shepard Elementary.

We are thankful for all the Swinging Stars that went on the club visitation this past weekend. We were on our way to go Friday night when Dave started feeling sick so we came home. On Saturday we were at the School Board and City Election from 6:30 am to 8:00pm and were not able to go to Tool Texas. We are hopeful to do better this coming weekend and go dancing with the club.

We received this lovely thank you note from the Stone Steppers this past week and wanted to share it with the club.

Hello Dave and Lorraine,

Please pass on our thanks to the Swinging Stars for the great support of the Stone Steppers' 60th Anniversary Dance! We considered this 60th not just a milestone for us, but a celebration for the ongoing of square dancing in the entire community. We hope you had a good time, and so appreciate you being there to celebrate with us. One of the few disappointments for us, in square dancing, is that Stone Steppers and Swinging Stars dance on the same night. We promise to find some way to repay the visit, even if we have to cancel a dance!

Thanks again, and the very best to the Swinging Stars!

Yellow Rocks from Stone Steppers,
Phil and Heidi Graham

PLEASE start planning to attend the Swinging Stars Semi-Annual Business meeting that is on May 20th at Norma's Café at 4:00PM. Norma's Café is located at 605 W. 15th St. Plano. It is the building in which the Blackeye Pea was located. We will be discussing some important issues including, the up coming lessons, and a report on the Double Deal Dance that will be November 30th. We will also have a report on the 2019 Anniversary dance, which will be on March 30th of next year. We will be electing officers for the next 6 months. We will need as many as possible to attend to make many decisions. Please let me know if you will be attending and staying for dinner, the restaurant would like to have a tentative head count to know how many to prepare for. Contact me at lorrain@bursons.us or 972-396-0941.

Thank you and please respond,
Lorraine and Dave Burson

Happening This Week

Friday, May 11th – **Swinging Stars** – **At Wilson Middle School 1001 Custer Road**

Wayne Baldwin & Walter Brewer –

7:00 PM Workshop – 7:45 PM Plus - 8:00 PM Grand March

Saturday, May 12th – **Cotton Pickin Squares** –

Mike Bramlett & Christine Hixson –

7:30 PM Workshop – 8:00 PM Grand March

2nd VP Report

From Ron and Donita See

This week brings our regular dance along with an opportunity to dance to Mike Bramlett at Cotton Pickin' Squares. Those wanting an additional challenge can travel to Swingtime on Thursday where Double Plus is having guest caller Tim Tyl. Hope to see you all in a square.

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
Cotton Pickin' Squares	25. Mar. 2017
Log Cabin Swingers	6. May. 2017
Dixie Chainers	26. Aug. 2017
Triangle Squares	30. Sep. 2017
Kissin' Kuzzins	30. Mar. 2018
Tri-City Promenaders	31. Mar. 2018
T-Square Gadabouts	20. Apr. 2018

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Rebel Rousers	23. Mar. 2018

*** EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK ***

Plus 4s, Wednesday, May 2nd

Twelve (12) Swinging Stars visited Plus 4s Wednesday evening. Squares were called by the club caller Charles Quisenberry ("Quiz"). Quiz called another great dance by challenging us to some DBD moves we normally don't see at a dance. Swinging Stars in attendance were P. Amy, Bergesens, Bursons, J. Duncan, Evantos, Halvorsons, and the Sees.

Kissin' Kuzzins, Friday, May 4th

We had 12 Swinging Stars at the Kissin' Kuzzins Cinco de Mayo Dance Friday night. Club caller and Texas Hall of Fame Wayne Baldwin called squares and JL Pelton cued rounds. Wayne called a great dance catering to both the new dancers in attendance and the more experienced. The Swinging Stars attending were: Giffords, Hamms, M. Hardin, HARRISES, Sees, Stewarts, and C. Wolfe.

Log Cabin Swingers, Saturday, May 5th

We had 10 Swinging Stars at the Log Cabin Swingers Cinco de Mayo Anniversary Dance Saturday night. Club caller and Texas Hall of Fame Wayne Baldwin called squares and Walter Brewer cued rounds. Wayne and Walter combined to create a wonderful dance to coincide with the Mexican theme. The Mexican dinner started the evening off and the dancing was a great way to burn off those extra calories. The Swinging Stars attending were: Evantos, M. Hardin, Pitts, Sees, Stewarts, and C. Wolfe.

*** * * COMING EVENTS * * ***

Swinging Stars – Friday, May 11th

Caller: Wayne Baldwin
Cuer: Walter Brewer
Time: WS – 7:00PM / PL – 7:45PM / GM – 8:00PM
Location: Wilson Middle School (1001 Custer Rd, Plano, TX)
Website: <http://www.swingingstars.org>
Notes: Club Dance

Cotton Pickin Squares – Merry Month of May

Date: Saturday, 12May18
Caller: Mike Bramlett
Cuer: Christine Hixson
Time: WS – 7:30PM / GM – 8:00PM
Location: Recreation Center
10001 Jack Finney, Greenville

Plus 4s

Date: Wednesday, 16May18
Caller: Charles Quisenberry
Time: PL - 7:30PM
Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

Texas Reelers – MASH

Date: Friday, 18May18
Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones, Jon Jones
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: ER - 7:30PM / GM – 8:00PM
Location: Richardson Senior Center
820 W Arapaho, Richardson

Rebel Rousers – Armed Forces Salute

Date: Saturday, 19May18
Caller: Mike Bramlett
Cuer: Christine Hixson
Time: ER - 7:00PM / Plus – 7:30PM / GM – 8:00PM
Location: Richardson Senior Center
820 W Arapaho, Richardson
Note: Banner Retrieval

Swinging Stars – Friday, May 25th

Theme: **Proud to be an American**
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

Dixie Chainers – Remember Our Fallen Heros

Date: Saturday, 26May18
Caller: Vernon Jones
Cuer: Jack von der Heide
Time: ER/WS – 7:00PM, GM – 7:30PM
Location: Farmers Branch Senior Center
14055 Dennis Lane, Farmers Branch

Lone Star Solos – Double Deal Dance

Date: Thursday, 31May18
Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones, Jon Jones
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: ER – 7:00PM, GM – 7:30PM
Location: Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
3217 Guthrie Rd, Garland

Other Events:

May 23, 2018

Ladies Luncheon BJ's Restaurant and Brewhouse

This month's Ladies Luncheon is being hosted by Kathy Elliott on May 23, at 11:30. She has chosen BJ's Restaurant and Brewhouse, 1101 North Central Exp. BJ's is in Plano at highway 75 access road just south of 15th Street. West side of 75. BJ's has been there a long time and has a big variety of food to offer. They have lots of the sports on but it's really not too loud. Most of us know this location, because Swinging Stars has gone there several times after the Friday night dances a few years ago. **Contact Kathy Elliott** at hibooger@hotmail.com by Monday the 21st to let her know you are planning to attend.

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 Whipples (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). 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.

May 11 – **Hamm**, Amy, Heintz, Trujillo

May 25 – **Whipple**, Deluke, Kilejian, Stewart (Theme – Patriotic Memorial Day)

June 8 – **Feldman**, Bondi, Edwards, Halverson

June 22 – **Mosher**, Bushell/Perry, Jung, Perrott (Theme – It's time for Baseball. Put me in coach!!)

July 13 – **Evanto**, Boyd, McClasky, Rose

July 27 – **Nejdl**, Goebel, Nestor, Reid (Theme – Ice Cream Social)

Lessons, Workshops, Easy Practice and Exhibition Dances

We thought you may be interested in some of these secessions. These were sent to us to pass along to our members in case anyone is interested in attending.

Exhibition Dance by Richard Covington

Richard have another exhibition planed for Sunday, August 19th 2PM at the Frisco Heritage Museum in the train depot. The address of the train depot is 6499 Page St, Frisco, TX. It will be a dance format and last about two hours. Come for all or part. We would love to fill the room. This could be a good time to recruit students for the up coming lessons in September.

Plus Dance

Those of you interested in plus dancing, Dave Vieira is hosting All Plus Dances on Mondays **7:15-9:15** PM at the Lavon City Hall, 120 School Road, Lavon. The cost is \$5 per person.

These Monday night plus dances are an awesome way to obtain floor time and to workshop moves of which you are having trouble.

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm

Mary Hardin Our thoughts and prayers are with Mary Hardin for the loss of her son Ronald in Michigan on April 28th. Ron died of a very aggressive form of cancer. He was 60 years old in February. His memorial service is in Michigan at a later date. You can send a card or note to Mary at 6501 Caddo Court, Plano, TX 75023-2902.

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 device, 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 May 20, 2018 Swinging Stars Business Meeting

Sunday June 3, 2018 NORTEX Officer Installation and Dance

Sunday June 10th Baldwin's Fish Fry

Sunday June 24th Round-Up Kick Off Dance

Friday September 28th Swinging Stars Pre Round up Dance

Friday October 19th NTCA Caller's Cavalcade

Saturday October 20th NORTEX Round-Up

Friday November 30, 2018 Swinging Stars Double Deal Dance

Saturday December 8th Swinging Stars Holiday Party

Saturday March 30, 2019 Swinging Stars 44th Anniversary Dance

Dave and Lorraine Burson

Swinging Stars Presidents

Email: president@swingingsstars.org

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See Flyer below



Swinging Stars



Proud To Be An

American

*A Memorial Day Tribute To
All Who Gave Their Lives So
We Will Always Live Free*

May 25, 2018

Caller Wayne Baldwin

Early Rounds 7:00

Cuer Walter Brewer

Plus Tips 7:45 & 3rd Tip

Shepard Elementary School

Grand March 8:00

1000 Wilson Dr. Plano

Hot hash after last if requested



Solos Board Honey Pot Banners Refreshments

Dancers under 18 dance for free when accompanied by paying adult

For Info: 972-396-0941 or president@swingingstars.org

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