



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for June 17th, 2018

Message from the President

Dave and Lorraine Burson

We want to be sure that you know about the Kaleidoscope of Colors **Round-Up Kick-Off Dance** that is coming up on Sunday June 24th. (See flyer: http://www.swingingstars.org/2018_Round-Up_Kick-off_Flyer.pdf) This is the NORTEX Round-Up Kick-off of all the coming Pre Round-Up dances that will lead to the 2018 Round-Up which is on October 20th. Each NORTEX club has scheduled a Pre Round-up dance between June 24th and October 20th, of which the NORTEX Round-Up Committee and NORTEX Officers have signed up to visit each of these dances. The purpose of these dances is to advertise the Round-Up, and of course have a fun time dancing. The Round-Up Kick-Off dance is free for pre Registered Round-Up dancers. Or is \$6.00 per person Donation at the door. You can register for Round-Up on line at <http://nortexroundup.com/registration> or you can register for Roundup at the door at the Kick-off dance and still get in free to the Kick-Off dance. All the information is on the 6th page of the June Promenade. Caller is Mike and D' Bramlett the Cuer is Christine and Theron Hixson. Please plan to attend, and invite other club members to car pool with you. The color attire is a Kaleidoscope of Colors. If you have attire that has several bright colors or if you have an outfit that is just one color, that will work also. I am thinking that bright is best. All the pre Round-up dances are **2 signature dances**. This is an excellent way to collect a bunch of signatures for your Friendship Fun Badge dangles and the club to collect signatures for the Club Visitation patch.

The Swinging Stars extends a big **THANK YOU** to Jodie and Wayne for the lovely Fish Fry that they hosted for the all of us. Everyone enjoyed the delicious fish caught by Wayne, Charlie and Chuck. They spent long hours out on the lake fishing for these delicious fish. Also thank you to all that helped to make this gathering a wonderful success. I am sure that we all had too much to eat.

Report on the Square Dance Lessons

Lucy and Ralph Hamm

Lessons will begin on September 4th at 7:30 in the upstairs room of Carpenter Recreation Center. Our own Wayne Baldwin will teach them. Graduation is scheduled for December 18th. The dance lessons committee will consist of the Hamms (chairpersons), Bursons, Whipples, Harris, Elliots, and Stewarts.

Under the new plan the lessons will be changed at the beginning. The first lessons will be Demo 1 (Sept. 4th) and Demo 2 (Sept. 11th). The new dancers will be recorded on the 18th and expected to pay to continue their lessons on that date.

Jodie Baldwin has been working with Kelly, the new recreation coordinator concerning angels. She is asking for 5 angel couples to be available per month. We will have sign up sheets for each month; angels may sign up for several months or a single month. Like the refreshments list, there will be a complete listing of angels so if angels can not make lessons they contact another couple to fill in for

them. Unlike the refreshment team, angels will choose their own days. We are asking for angels to give unavailable dates that are already known. Jodie would like 20 couples on the list.

Background checks are required of all angels, at no cost to anyone. Seven and 1/2 couples signed up at the General meeting and have received their background check forms. Three additional couples (on the lesson committee) are also committed but do not have their forms yet. As soon as the background forms are completed, please bring them to a Swinging Stars dance so Jodie can collect them for delivery to the correct person.

The forms and sign up sheet will be available at the first dance in June and continue at dances following. Jodie would like the background check forms, especially for September angels, back by the end of July.

Lucy and Ralph Hamm
Lesson Committee Chairpersons

LESSONS ADVERTISING!!!

PERSONAL RECRUITING IS THE MOST EFFECTIVE METHOD OF OBTAINING STUDENTS AND NEW MEMBERS!! But, we will also advertise.

Start your hunt for free advertising now! I have content available for those free ads, if you can, and are willing to advertise somewhere, let me know and I'll send you the content and/or graphics. Also, I keep a log so we don't duplicate.

You can send me your online advertising ideas, if you prefer me to do it.

LindaHarristx@hotmail.com<<mailto:LindaHarristx@hotmail.com>>

I NEED YOUR IDEAS ON WHERE TO ADVERTISE ONLINE!!

I'll be placing ads and notices in any free online publications around our area.

Below are some ideas we've done in the past.

- 1) Bubble life
- 2) Plano Profile Magazine
- 3) Nextdoor - each of you should submit something on your neighborhoods "nextdoor" website.
<https://nextdoor.com/>

Happy free advertising hunting!! Keep our club strong!! Support our favorite activity!!

Linda and Charlie Harris

Happening This Week

Wednesday, June 20th –Plus 4s– Charles Quisenberry – 7:30 PM Plus

Friday, June 22nd –Swinging Stars– Wayne Baldwin & Walter Brewer – 7:00 PM Early Rounds – 7:45 PM Plus - 8:00 PM Grand March

Saturday, June 23rd – Dixie Chainers- Vernon Jones & Jack von der Heide - 7:00 PM Early Rounds/Workshop – 7:30 PM Grand March

2nd VP Report

From Ron and Donita See

To mark the halfway point in June our Swinging Stars dance will be a casual evening celebrating baseball. Also, if you have never attended the annual Dixie Chainers Olde Time dance be sure to go. Vernon does a great job of walking everyone through the calls (such as Dip N Dive) so everyone gets a flavor what square dancing used to be.

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
Lone Star Solos	31. May. 2018
Texas Reelers	15. Jun. 2018

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured

* * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * *

Texas Reelers, Friday, June 15th

18 Swinging Stars visited Texas Reelers Friday evening and captured their banner. The theme of the dance was Family Vacation. Squares were called by the club callers Deborah Carroll-Jones and Jon Jones, and rounds were cued by Chris Farabaugh. David and Jan Toms also called and cued, respectively, continually showing their growth as trainees. Swinging Stars in attendance were P. Amy, Bondis, Edwards, Evantos, Feldmans, M. Hardin, Kilejians, Pharrs, Rickerts, and the Sees.

Rebel Rousers, Saturday, June 16th

12 Swinging Stars visited the Rebel Rousers for their Beach Party dance Saturday evening and retrieved our banner. Squares were called by Texas Hall of Fame and club caller Mike Bramlett and rounds were cued by club cuer Christine Hixson. To the enjoyment to all Bill Hinkley and David Toms were asked to call and Jan Toms was asked to cue. It was a fun, casual evening. Swinging Stars in attendance were Bondis, M. Hardin, HARRISES, Nesters, Pitts, Sees, and C. Wolfe.

* * * COMING EVENTS * * *

Plus 4s

Date: Wednesday, 20Jun18
Caller: Charles Quisenberry
Time: PL - 7:30PM
Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

Swinging Stars – Friday, June 22nd

Theme: Time for Baseball
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: Wear Your Favorite Team's Shirt OR Dress Casual for Summer

Dixie Chainers – Olde Time Dance

Date: Saturday, 23Jun18
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 – Pre-Roundup Dance

Date: Thursday, 28Jun18
Caller: Dave Vieira
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: ER – 7:00PM, GM – 7:30PM
Location: Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
3217 Guthrie Rd, Garland
Note: Double signature dance

Triangle Squares – Schmidt Beach

Date: Friday, 29Jun18
Caller: Toby Thomason, Tim Tyl
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: WS - 7:30PM / GM – 8:00PM
Location: Denton Civic Center
321 East McKinney St, Denton
Note: Double Deal

Other Events:

None

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 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.

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)

August 10 – **Mulvin**, Elliott, Harden, Zhang

August 24 – **Gifford**, Bergesen, Dennison, Marshall (Theme – Luau)

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.

Practice Mainstream Dances

From the Dixie Chainers

Club Presidents, please forward this email to your club members and encourage everyone to participate. **We invite all new square dancers, students (10 or more lessons) and Angels to participate.**

Tuesdays, June 25th, is the last of this set of Practice dances. The dancing will begin at 6:30 PM and conclude about 8:30 PM. The caller is Lee Meador.

The cost is only \$3.00 per person (all pay).

You'll Come and have FUN. Thanks.

Sincerely,

Robert O'Nale & Wayne Weirich

Presidents, Dixie Chainers Square and Round Dance Club

(469) 268-0229 cell/Txt, info@dixiechainers.org, www.dixiechainers.org

Exhibition Dance by Richard Covington

Richard has 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. Lets have a good showing of Swinging Stars to help Richard while helping Swinging Stars to maybe recruit some Students for our Square dance lessons that will start on September 4th.

Plus Dance--Monday Plus in Lavon

I received this message about the Monday Plus dances and wanted to pass it along to anyone interested in doing some plus dancing on Monday evenings. These Monday night plus dances are a great way to obtain floor time and to workshop moves of which you are having trouble.

Here is the schedule that will start again on June 25, 2018 at 7pm-9pm.

June 25, July 9, July 16, July 23 and July 30

Remember, if you would like a call to be worked on, just ask and it will appear!!!!

All Plus Dances are on Mondays at the Lavon City Hall, 120 School Road, Lavon, TX.

The cost is \$5 per person.

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm

Please keep Bob and Kathy Estep in your thoughts and prayers. Bob has been in Medical City Dallas since May 31st. He has had blood transfusions for reoccurrence of leukemia. He will be in the hospital a month and will probably be having chemotherapy soon. Please send cards to Bob at 3249 Sailmaker Plano 75023. He would appreciate texting at 972-679-8572.

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 June 24th Round-Up Kick Off Dance
Tuesday September 4, 2018 Mainstream Lessons Begin
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@swingingstars.org

Phone: 972-396-0941

See Flyer below

Swinging Stars

IT'S TIME FOR
BASEBALL...



PUT ME IN COACH!

Coach
Wayne Baldwin
Umpire
Walter Brewer

Show Your Team
Spirit by Wearing
Your Favorite Team's Shirt
OR Dress Casual for Summer



Friday, June 22

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

Dancers Under 18 Dance for
Free When Accompanied
By A Paying Adult

Fellowship Refreshments

Money Pot

Banners



Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr., Plano

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