Newsletter for July 14, 2024

Message from the PresidentsRichard and Jan Covington

We had a very good dance Friday with 15 visitors and 17 Swinging Stars for a total of 32. Our caller for the evening, Mike Bramlett, and our Cuer, David Berling did a great job. Thank you, gentlemen, for filling in for Charlie and Jan.

The hall rental contract was complete and signed this past week. Our Friday night dance hall rental remains basically unchanged, and the rent is the same. We added an addendum giving us use of the hall for Tuesday night lessons starting 09/10/2024 and running through 12/17/2024. The sixteenth lesson/graduation will be our first dance in January. However, for us to have lessons, we must have eight paying students and we need new dancers to add to our dwindling ranks. Linda Harris has put together a flyer and we need to get the word out as quickly as possible.

I will see you on the dance floor...

Richard C

3rd Quarter Dues are due starting July 1, 2023

If you normally pay for the half-year you need to pay is \$55.00 per single member and \$110.00 per couple. One quarter is \$27.50 per single member and \$55.00 per couple. So please pay your dues at the next dance or mail a check made out to the Swinging Stars to the treasurer:

Nevin R Mulvin Treasurer Swinging Stars 3409 Eisenhower Ln Plano, TX 75023-3933 972-618-0750

Message from the 1st Vice Presidents Charlie and Linda Harris Mainstream Lessons

We need everyone's support in getting the word out for our next set of lessons. See flyer attached or click on the following link: http://www.swingingstars.org/2024 Sept Square Dance Lessons.pdf.

Ideas-Suggestions of where to place this flyer:

- 1) Rec center near you (we've had results from Sam Johnson Rec Center)
- 2) Churches near you
- 3) Dallas Morning News
- 4) Grocery store bulletin boards
- 5) Any public bulletin board
- 6) Post on Facebook for your contacts to see
- 7) Nextdoor

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8) Any online free advertising (Plano Magazine, Eventbrite, Community Impact, Plano Profile.

Keep the advertising coming, as this is the best way to keep the idea of square dancing in their heads and hearts. We would all enjoy a full class for this set. It's up to all of us.

"Thanks to all" for showing up early to help with setup and stay for tear down. You are appreciated.

See you in a square, Charlie and Linda Harris – 1st VP

2nd VP Report

Dave and Lorraine Burson

The current Swinging Star Banner inventory is shown below. If you visit a club whose banner we have, please don't bring home one more.

Banners Captured by the Swinging Stars

Club	Date Captured
Pegasus	3/24/2024
Log Cabin Swingers	5/04/2024
Kissing Kuzzins	7/05/2024

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Tri-City Promenaders	7/14/2023
Triangle Squares	2/23/2024
Circle I	5/10/2024
Texas Reelers	6/28/2024
Rebel Rousers	6/28/2024

EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval Saturday, July 13 – Circle I – Red White and Blue Shindig

Circle I held their Red White and Blue Shindig featuring guest caller Joey Duhamel and club cuer Chris Farabaugh. Joey called to 5 squares during early Plus and 6 squares after the Grand March. He also pleased the dancers by doing his most requested calling - when he yodels. Chris was also very good with his cuing selections and entertained up to 12 couples on the dance floor. This dance was well attended. There were 49 visitors making a grand total of 72 dancers. We did not retrieve our banner as only the Sees attended. Thank you to Ron See for this report.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

To reach the July Promenade, click here:

https://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2024-07-Promenade.pdf

Wednesday, July 17 -- Ladies Luncheon

Ladies, please join us for lunch on Wednesday, July 17 at 11:30 at Norma's Cafe, 605 W 15th St. Plano. Norma's has a variety of sandwiches, burgers, salads, and breakfast items. You may view the menu ahead of time: www.normascafe.com. Please let Debbie Cave know if you are planning to attend, so she may reserve tables for us. Contact her at 972-623-7524 or dacave2016@gmail.com.

We are hoping to see the associate Lady Stars Members as well. We would all love to visit with you and catch up how you are doing. Please try to come.

Be sure to reply to Debbie Cave.

Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval Friday, July 19 – Texas Reelers – Tropical Bash

Where: Richardson Senior Center - - 820 W. Arapaho Rd, Richardson

Caller: Deborah Carroll Jones & Jon Jones

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

Time: Early Rounds 7:30, Grand March 8:00

Note: See page 39 of the July Promenade for more information

Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval – 35th Anniversary Dance Saturday, July 20 – Rebel Rousers – Christmas in July

Where: Richardson Senior Center - - 820 W. Arapaho Rd, Richardson, TX

Guest Caller: Ken Burke Caller: Mike Bramlett Cuer: Christine Hixson

Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus Fun Shop 7:30, Dance 8:00 **Note:** See page 42 of the July Promenade for more information.

Friday, July 26 - Swinging Stars - Ice Cream Social

Where: Network Ministries - 1500 International Pkwy #300, Richardson, TX

Caller: Charlie Robertson **Cuer:** Chris Farabaugh

Time: Early Rounds 7:30, Square up 8:00

Note: See page 46 of the July Promenade for more information

Sunshine information

From Peggy Amy and Nina Lassiter our Sunshine Reporters

Please pray for Barry and Helen Feldman. Barry's health is declining. He is not doing well. We appreciate your prayers. Thank you very much, Helen

Let's keep in touch by sharing news in our Newsletter.

You can email Nina Lassiter Sunshine or Rain, at your convenience. ninalassiter@gmail.com Or you may call or text 214-769-6032. She always needs any reports (good or bad), by Friday in order to get the report to Dave and Lorraine in a timely manner.

Special dates to put on your calendar

Friday, October 11, 2024 Swinging Stars Round up Theme Dance

Friday, November 22, 2024 Swinging Stars Double Deal Dance

Friday, December 6, 2024 NTCA Callers Cavalcade

Saturday, December 7, 2024 NORTEX 2024 Round-Up

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.

Message from Newsletter Editor

Thank you for making it this far down the newsletter. As we streamlining the newsletter, if we remove something or change something that you liked the way it was, or have any suggestions, please send your comments and suggestions to: newsletter_editor@swingingstars.org Anything sent to that email address will go to the **President of the Swinging Stars** and to the **Newsletter Editor** (Dave Burson).

Dave Burson Newsletter Editor

Swinging Stars

Email: newsletter editor@swingingstars.org

Phone: 972-396-0941

See Flyers below







Friday July 26, 2024

l scream, you scream,

we all scream for Ice Cream

Network of Ministries

Building

1500 International Pkwy Ste 300,

Richardson, TX 75081

Caller: Charlie Robertson Early Rounds: 7:30

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh Grand March: 8:00

Dancers Under 18 dance free when accompanied by a paying adult.

For info: 214-675-6523 or president@swingingstars.org Visit our Website: www.swingingstars.org



Beginning Square Dance Lessons 16 Weeks \$85.00

September 10th — Tuesday 7-9 PM Email 1stvp@swingingstars.org

Network Ministries -1500 International Parkway - #300 Richardson, TX 75081