



# Swinging Stars

## Square and Round Dance Club

***Newsletter for August 22, 2021***

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### **Message from Presidents**

**Russ and Anne NejdI**

Now that we are getting into the hot part of summer, Russ will be riding in the Hotter N Hell 100 mile bike ride in Wichita Falls next week so we will miss our club dance. The Bursons will fill in for us. We know they will do a good job as they have been presidents of our club in the past. We are working with the new dance facility to finalize scheduling our dances there starting in October. We believe this will be a good move for our club. Hope to have more details soon. Don't forget to respond to Lorraine Burson regarding the ladies luncheon and the club picnic. Linda and Charlie Harris have been securing a place for our Holiday Party. The ladies Holiday luncheon is also in the works. We attended the NORTEX Quarterly Business Meeting last week at Swingtime Center. The Bursons and the Nestors are our club delegates along with the Nejdls. Alex took some very good notes which we are sending to club members so you can see what happened at this meeting.

Russ and Anne NejdI

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### **Highlights of NORTEX Business Meeting, Sunday, August 15, 2021 2:00pm**

The major highlight of the NORTEX meeting was the vote to cancel Round-Up. The following is an excerpt from Alex Nestor's report.

Round-Up:

- Registrations were much less than hoped for (114 as of Sunday.) NORTEX and NTCA could not afford to sustain the predicted losses.
- A motion to cancel the event was made by the President and seconded. Motion approved by the delegates.

If you want more information about the NORTEX Quarterly Business Meeting see the minutes below:

- ♦ Minutes of the August 15, 2021 NORTEX Quarterly Business Meeting, from Alex Nestor can be found at the following link:  
[http://www.swingingstars.org/Aug2021-NORTEX\\_Quarterly\\_Business\\_MeetingMinutes.pdf](http://www.swingingstars.org/Aug2021-NORTEX_Quarterly_Business_MeetingMinutes.pdf)
- ♦ Minutes of the August 15, 2021 NORTEX Quarterly Business Meeting, from NORTEX Secretary Audrey Mansell can be found at the following link:  
[http://www.swingingstars.org/20210815\\_NORTEX\\_Quarterly\\_Business\\_Meeting\\_Minutes.pdf](http://www.swingingstars.org/20210815_NORTEX_Quarterly_Business_Meeting_Minutes.pdf)

It was later decided not to cancel Round-Up but to move it to Swingtime Center.

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Report

From Dave and Lorraine Burson

### Sunday September 12 -- Picnic in the Park

Location is: Hoblitzelle Park in Plano (7500 Red River Drive). This is a beautiful Park with a large Pavilion. The Swinging Stars has scheduled a Picnic in the Park for September 12 at 4:00 to ???. We will probably eat dinner about 5:00 or so. This picnic is for the associate members as well as the regular membership. It would be sweet to see everyone and visit again. It will be out of doors, so it should be safe. Feel free to wear a mask, if you wish.

We are requesting that the picnic be a Potluck Dinner. Please reply to [Lorraine@Burons.us](mailto:Lorraine@Burons.us), or call me at 972-396-0941, if you are planning to attend and what sort of dish you would like to bring. We are requesting that you bring your own drinks. **NO Alcoholic Beverages** Please. No alcoholic drinks are allowed in the City Parks. If you do bring Alcoholic Drinks we can be fined and kicked out of the park. The club will furnish the paper plates and flat ware. There are several picnic tables under the pavilion, I am sure enough to accommodate us, but if you want to sit comfortable in your lawn chair while visit with others, you can bring your own chairs. I did see an electric outlet there being used, when I was there to an event. I hope to hear from you soon. **No texts Please.**

Thank you,

Dave and Lorraine Burson

2nd VP Swinging Stars [Lorraine@Burons.us](mailto:Lorraine@Burons.us)

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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
T Square Gadabouts	4/19/2019
Log Cabin Swingers	5/04/2019
Dixie Chainers	12/14/2019
Texas Reelers	1/17/2020
Kissin' Kuzzins	7/16/2021
Rebel Rousers	7/17/2021
Tri-City Promenaders	7/24/2021

#### Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured

**Many NORTEX clubs have resumed dancing or will in the near future. NORTEX is maintaining a listing of clubs with their status on this web page:**

[http://new.nortex.org/nortex/?page\\_id=3043](http://new.nortex.org/nortex/?page_id=3043)

In addition, most clubs that have resumed dancing have ads in the *Promenade*. To reach the August *Promenade*, click here: <http://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2021-08-Promenade.pdf>

### \* \* \* EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK \* \* \*

#### Friday August 20: T-Square Gadabouts -- Pre Roundup Dance-- Official Visitation

We had 8 Swinging Stars make the trip to the T-Square Gadabouts. We enjoyed dancing to Vernon Jones calling what he said was some of his favorites that he had not called for a long time. Karen Gloodt cued a nice mix of rhythms for the round dancers to enjoy. There were several round dancer couples on the floor all evening right to the end of the dance. We already had one of their banners. We received 2 signatures, leaving the Swinging Stars needing 12 more signatures to receive our 980 Club Visits Award patch. Thank you to the Sees, Rodgers, Nejdls and Bursons for supporting our scheduled visitation.

## **Saturday, August 21: Rebel Rousers Celebration Dance -- Of Interest Visitation**

Celebrating Theron Hixson's birthday, we enjoyed dancing to Mike Bramlett as he called a variety of songs from 1931. Songs that were made well known from the year Theron was born. Unfortunately he had never listened to the music at that time; he was too young to have listened, and the fact is that his family didn't have electric to have been able to listen to the radio. Christine Hixson is very well known as a great Cued and the floor showed it, because the floor had several couples enjoying dancing to the many rhythms she cued. I know it isn't possible for everyone to attend every visitation. I am very happy to say we had 14 Swinging Star Members attending the Celebration of Theron's 90th Birthday Celebration. Thank you to the Edwards, Hamms, Harrises, Kilejians, Nestors, Rodgers and Bursons for supporting the clubs visitation. The Rebel Rousers have promised to visit us soon to retrieve their banner. We did get another signature toward the Club Visitation Award 980 patch.

### **\* \* \* COMING EVENTS \* \* \***

## **Friday, August 27: Swinging Stars -- Regular Dance Night**

**Where:** Grace Church, 2005 Estates Parkway Lucas, TX (enter around back)

**Time:** Early Rounds 7:00, Square Refresher 7:30, Grand March 8:00

**Caller:** Bobby Willis

**Cued:** JL Pelton

Bring your own food and drinks, Casual attire

See Flyer on page 16 of the August Promenade for more info

## **Saturday, August 28: -- Tri City Promenaders -- Official Visitation Big Band Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy Dance**

**Where:** Brookside Center. 1244 Brookside Dr.

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

**Caller:** Ray Savell

**Cued:** Chris Farabaugh

Bring your own food and drinks, Casual attire

See page 29 of the August Promenade

### **\* \* \* OTHER EVENTS \* \* \***

## **Round Dance Lessons Schedule**

### **JL and Linda Pelton**

JL and Linda will be offering two classes starting in September: Jive on Saturdays in the middle of the day and Rumba on Tuesday evenings. Classes will be held at Carpenter Recreation Center, 6701 Coit Road, Plano in the downstairs multi-purpose room.

Here are the start dates of each class along with the course # needed to sign up.

- Beginning Jive – Saturday Mornings -- Course #38869  
Starts Saturday, September 18  
11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.
- Beginning Rumba – Tuesday Evenings -- Course #40597  
Starts Tuesday, September 21  
7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

You can sign up through the Plano Parks and Recreation Catalog online, or you can register by calling the center at 972-208-8087.

Both classes finish in mid-November before the Thanksgiving holidays.

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## Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

Wendy Perrott was honored and humbled to win the Frank M. Adams Outstanding Volunteer-Individual Service Award for 2021. The award is for a volunteer who "has enhanced and enriched the quality of life for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities or mental illness and substance addictions in Texas". LifePath Foundation will send her and Bill to the awards presentation in Austin, November 18.

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## Special dates to put on your calendar

Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup> Club Picnic at Hoblitzelle Park Pavilion in Plano (7500 Red River Drive).

Friday October 29, 2021 – NTCA 2021 Caller's Cavalcade

Saturday October 30, 2021 – NORTEX 2021 Round-Up

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## Web Master Dave Burson

Be sure to check out our web page: [www.swingingstars.org](http://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.

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## 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](mailto: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).

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Dave Burson

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See Flyer below



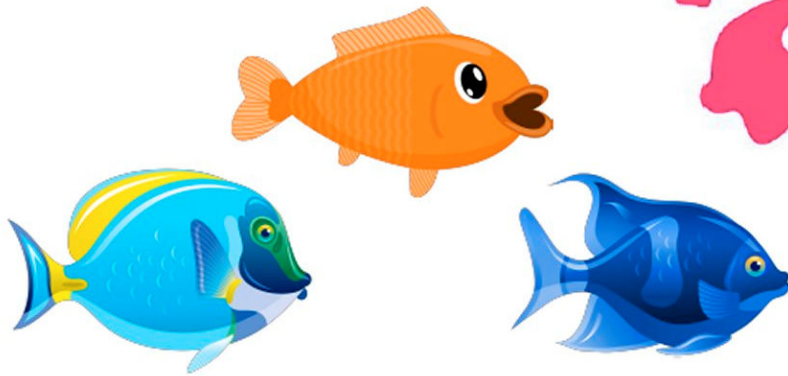


# Swinging Stars



**Caller:**  
**Bobby Willis**

**Cuer:**  
**JL Pelton**



**Hawaiian Dance on Friday, Aug. 13, 2021**  
**Regular Dance on Friday, Aug. 27, 2021**

**New Location: Grace Church: 2005 Estates Parkway,  
Lucas, TX 75002 (Enter around back.)**

Early Rounds	7:00
Squares Refresher	7:30
Grand March	8:00



*\* Casual summer attire-  
Shorts are fine.\**  
*\* Please bring your own  
food and drinks.\**

**For Info: 972-964-5979**  
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**[www.swingingstars.org](http://www.swingingstars.org)**

**Dancers Under 18 Free**  
**When Accompanied**  
**By A Paying Adult**

