

Newsletter for June 2, 2024

Message from the Presidents Richard and Jan Covington

Our Friendship Plus Dance with the Kissin' Kuzzins was a success. If you missed it, you missed a great time. Thank you, Martha Hernandez, President of Kissin' Kuzzins, for initiating it. Martha said they were brainstorming, and someone brought up the idea. It proved to be a great-one.

When I arrived at 7:00 Martha was there and the room was almost ready. The room was open, the floor was swept, and the checkered tablecloths were on the tables. It looked really nice and inviting, so we immediately started setting up the chairs. There was an air of anxiousness as we didn't know how many dancers that would come out on a fifth Friday for a Plus Dance. Our visitors started arriving a little after seven and our caller for the evening, Scott Bennett, started early advanced with a square plus two at 7:30. Our Plus dancers continued to arrive, and the excitement snowballed. At the appointed time, Scott started us with a grand march. We had eight squares. Thank you to all of our visitors for supporting our endeavor.

We had eleven Swinging Stars, twelve Kissin' Kuzzins. Rebel Rousers brought eleven, Circle I had seven, three Roadrunners, Log Cabin Swingers, Texas Reelers, Plus Squares and ADD had two each and there were eight independents. Also present were Tri City Promenaders, Pegasus and Bluebonnet Squares from Houston. Mike Bramlett and Gene Geyer with NTCA were present. We had eleven NORTEX officers including Vince Matej, Pamela Waugh, Larry & Kaye Horstman, Fred & Terri Lanier, Linda & Charlie Harris, Karen McGinney and Ron & Donita See. Club Presidents present were Jan & Richard Covington, yours truly, Ernest & Martha Hernandez of Kissin' Kuzzins, John Hurst & Joan Garner of Rebel Rousers and Chris and Carolyn Mills of Circle I.

Scott did a great job of calling to the floor and Mike Bramlett joined him for a tip. All-in-all everyone had a great time and are interested in doing it again. There is a fifth Friday and Saturday in August, however, Triangle Squares has a Double Deal Dance and Road Runners has an Anniversary Dance that weekend. We will want to support our sister NORTEX clubs and show up in force and we will look for another weekend.

Saturday NTCA had a seminar with Tony Oxendine and he discussed module calling using FASR's and he demonstrated this method using Sequencer in Taminations. It was informative and good training. Thank you, Tony, and the NTCA.

Sunday, today, at 4:00 we have a NORTEX Officer Installation Ceremony followed by the annual NORTEX Officer Installation Dance from 5:30 – 7:30 at Swingtime Center. Jan Toms is cueing, and Charlie Robertson is calling. Let's support them and NORTEX with our presence.

I will see you in a square.

Richard C

Message from the 1st Vice Presidents Charlie and Linda Harris

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

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

Message to the Swinging Stars about Square Dance Lessons.

This message to inform all Swinging Stars that we will be having Modern Square Dance Lessons starting on June 3rd, at 7:15pm to 9:15pm at the Liberty Rec. Center 2601 Glencliff Dr. Plano, Texas. Please mark your calendars. The First lesson is free to all to try our favorite pastime activity. PLEASE download the latest flyer and take them with you when you are out and about. Click here for a .pdf copy of the flyer: <u>http://www.swingingstars.org/2024_June_Square_Dance_Lessons.pdf</u> I want to point out that the first lesson is free. If after they have tried square dancing, enjoyed it and plan to take this set of lesson, that they must get registered that evening after the lesson while at the Rec. Center. If you have some people that want to take the lessons, try to get them to go ahead and register ASAP, so we can be sure of having students that want to take the lessons.

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

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Tri-City Promenaders	7/14/2023
Triangle Squares	2/23/2024
Rebel Rousers	2/23/2024
Circle I	5/10/2024
Texas Reelers	5/10/2024
Kissing Kuzzins	5/24/2024

EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

Of Interest Club Visitation

Sunday, May 26 – Pegasus Squares – Bee Day Dance No report.

Of Interest Club Visitation Monday, May 27 – CASUL – Memorial Day Dance No report.

Friday, May 31 – Swinging Stars & Kissin' Kuzzins – Friendship Plus Dance See Message from the President above.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

To reach the **June** *Promenade*, click here: <u>https://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2024-06-Promenade.pdf</u>

Of Interest Club Visitation

Sunday, June 2 – 57th NORTEX Officers Installation and Free Dance

Where: Swingtime Center - - 5100 S.E. Loop 820 @ Anglin, Ft Worth, TX
Caller: Charlie Robertson
Cuer: Jan Toms
Time: 4:00 PM Installation Ceremony, 5:15 PM Early Rounds, 5:30 PM – 7:00PM Dance
Note: See page 7 of the June Promenade for more information. NORTEX Members Free, Non-Members \$3.00

Monday, June 3, 2024, 7:15 PM Swinging Stars Square Dance Lessons Start

at the Liberty Rec. Center 2601 Glencliff Dr. Plano, TX See Flyer at the end of this newsletter or Click here for a .pdf copy of the flyer: http://www.swingingstars.org/2024 June Square Dance Lessons.pdf

Of Interest Club Visitation for Plus Dancers

Wednesday, June 5 - Plus 4s

Where: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church -- 12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch Caller: Toby Thomason Time: Plus 7:00

Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval – Double Deal Dance Saturday, June 8 – Circle I – Savell Celebration

Where: Heritage Senior Center -- 200 S. Jefferson St, Irving, TX
Caller: Ray Savell
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus 7:30, Grand March 8:00
Note: See page 16 of the June Promenade for more information

Friday, June 14 – Swinging Stars – Flag Day Dance

Where: Network Ministries – 1500 International Pkwy #300, Richardson, TX
Caller: Charlie Robertson
Cuer: Jan Toms
Time: Early Rounds 7:30, Square up 8:00
Note: See page 21 of the June Promenade for more information

Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval

Saturday, June 15 – Rebel Rousers – Tie Dye Dance

Where: Richardson Senior Center - - 820 W. Arapaho Rd, Richardson, TX
Caller: Darryl Lipscomb
Cuer: Christine Hixson
Time: Rounds 7:00, Plus Fun Shop 7:30, Dance 8:00
Note: See page 23 of the June Promenade for more information.

Wednesday, June 19 -- Ladies Luncheon

I will be hosting the June Ladies Luncheon again this month. I have chosen SOFRA Breakfast and Lunch Restaurant. It is Located at 503 W. McDermott in Allen, TX. It is easy to find. Go east off of 75 onto McDermott the restaurant is in the shopping center on the south side of Mc Dermott, at the very east end of the center. This is a newer restaurant in Allen. Dave and I ate there and enjoyed the facility, food, courteous waitress and fast service.

The date is June 19 at11:30. Please reply to me at <u>Lorraine@Bursons.us</u> or 972-396-0941 by June 17, so I can tell the establishment how many will be coming.

Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval – 49th Anniversary Dance Friday, June 21 – Texas Reelers – Black & White Ball

Where: Richardson Senior Center - - 820 W. Arapaho Rd, Richardson Guest Caller: KO Jeanes
Caller: Deborah Carroll Jones & Jon Jones
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: Early Rounds 7:30, Grand March 8:00
Note: See page 28 of the June Promenade for more information

Of Interest Club Visitation for Round Dancers – Double Deal Dance Sunday, June 23 – Harvest Holiday – Summer Fun Rounds

Where: Swingtime Center -- 5100 SE Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX
Cuer: Area Instructors
Time: Rounds 2:00 - 5:30 PM
Note: Phases 2, 3, and 4
See page 30 of the June Promenade for more information

Friday, June 28 – Swinging Stars – Boot Scootin' Hoedown – New Dancer Dance

Where: Network Ministries – 1500 International Pkwy #300, Richardson, TX
Caller: David Toms
Cuer: Jan Toms
Time: Early Rounds 7:30, Square up 8:00
Note: See page 33 of the June Promenade for more information

Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval – 64th Anniversary Dance Saturday, June 29 – Tri-City Promenaders – Hawaiian Nights

Where: Swingtime Center -- 5100 SE Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX 76140
Guest Caller: Joey Duhamel
Caller: Ray Savell
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: Rounds 7:00, Plus 7:30, Grand March 8:00
Note: See page 35 of the June Promenade for more information

Sunshine information

From Peggy Amy and Nina Lassiter our Sunshine Reporters

No Sunshine news this week.

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

You can email Nina Lassiter Sunshine or Rain, at your convenience. <u>ninalassiter@gmail.com</u> 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

Monday, June 3, 2024, 7:15 PM <u>Swinging Stars Square Dance Lessons Start</u> at the Liberty Rec. Center 2601 Glencliff Dr. Plano, TX Friday, October 11, 2024 <u>Swinging Stars Round up Theme</u> Dance Friday, November 22, 2024 <u>Swinging Stars Double Deal</u> Dance

Web Master Dave Burson

Be sure to check out our web page: <u>www.swingingstars.org</u> 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: <u>newsletter_editor@swingingstars.org</u> 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: <u>newsletter_editor@swingingstars.org</u> Phone: 972-396-0941

See Flyers below

Try something new in 2024 Come out and Learn to



Connect with other fun People

Dance to some of your favorite music

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Fun couple date night activity

Less than \$6.00 per night per person

Modern Square Dance (Beg) #66900

Location: Liberty Recreation Center 2601 Glencliff Dr., Plano Tex.75075 Phone 972-769-4234 June 3, 2024 to September 16, 2024 Monday 7:15 PM - 9:15 PM Instructor: David Toms

Fee Per Person

Plano Resident \$89.00 Non Resident \$93.00 10% Discount for 60 or more years old

Registration Starts

Plano Residents May 4, 2024 at 8:00 AM Non Plano Residents May 6 at 5:00 AM Number of sessions 16

First session June 3 is FREE, however, after your first lesson on June 3, if you think this is fun and you decide that you would like to take the lessons, you <u>must</u> register that evening after the lesson is over.

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For more information call: Richard Covington 214-675-6523 or Email: President@swingingstars.org or Email: 1stvp@swingingstars.org See website: www.swingingstars.org



WINCING STARS Ya'll come down to A Rootin' Tootin' Hollerin' Hootin BOOT SCOOTIN' SQUARE DANCIN' HOEDOWN New Dancer Dance " June 28, 2024 Caller: Cuer: David Toms Jan Toms Early Rounds: 7:30 Square Up: 8:00 **Network Ministries Building** 1500 International Pkwy Ste. 300 Richardson TX.75081 Please feel free to wear Western or Square Dance Attire Dancers under 18 free when accompanied by Paying adults Info:214-675-6523 OR president@swingingstars.org. Visit our Web: www.swingingstars.org Banners Honey Pot Fun Food Fellowship