

Newsletter for June 9, 2024

Message from the Presidents Richard and Jan Covington

Sunday, June 2nd your new NORTEX officers were installed at Swingtime Center in Ft. Worth, and it was followed by the annual installation dance. The installation dance is "Free" but the cueing and calling was very rich with our very own talent, Jan Toms and Charlie Robertson. They were fabulous and the dancing was fantastic. There were nine squares in the grand march and another four or five squares that had taken the opportunity to chow down on the wonderful sandwiches and desserts.

Everything was expertly planned by Diane Carter and executed by Audrey Mansell and Vince Matej without a flaw. The Host Clubs were Kissin' Kuzzins, Rainbow Rounds, Roadrunners, Trailblazers, Triangle Squares and Tri-City Promenaders. Great job all.

Your 2024 – 2025 NORTEX Elected Officers are as follows:

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	President	Vince Matej
	Secretary	Erin & Tommy Uzee
	Treasurer	Debbie & Glen McCrary
	President Pro-Tem	JoAnn & Greg Chambers

Your area VP's are:	
Area 1	JoAnn & Greg Chambers
Area 2	Gene & Diane Geyer
Area 3	Donna Miller & Jeff Kriesman
Area 4	Bob Rodgers

Many of the Appointed Officers & Committee Chairs remain the same with a few exceptions.

Thank you all for your dedication and continued service to our square & round dance community.

The Club of the Year Award went to Rainbow Rounds. Congratulations to everyone.

Finally, but certainly not least, it was announced that NORTEX membership is up over last year. That is fantastic news.

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

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

The Dance got started off with Early Rounds with Jan Toms doing a really wonderful job cueing to 9 couples on the floor. She cued rounds between tips with 9 or more couples all evening. I would like to comment on her, she is in my estimation one of the top Cuers in the State. She is clear and precise and easy to understand. Charlie called an excellent afternoon of Square Dancing. He is without a doubt the top caller in the Country, he kept the dancers going to a fast pace with a great selection of tunes that kept every dancer hopping to his calling. There were 9 square all during the evening and everyone had a great time dancing. Thank you, to these 7 members of the Swinging Stars, for supporting the Of Interest Club Visitation: Peggy Amy, Dave and Lorraine Burson, Richard and Jan Covington, and Ron and Donita See. There was a total of 114 dancers attend the dance.

The new NORTEX elected Officers are:

President, Vince Matej, Secretary, Erwin and Tommy Uzee Treasurer, Debbie and Glenn McCrary

President Pro-Rem JoAnn and Greg Chambers

Area Vice -Presidents

Area 1 JoAnn and Greg Chambers, Area 2 Gene and Diane Geyer

Area 3 Donna Miller and Jeff Kriesman, Area 4 Bob Rodgers

The new Appointed Officers are:

Assistant to President/ Insurance, Club Coordinator, Pamela Waugh Education, Fred and Terri Linier, Facilities, Sharon and Dale Hope Friendship, James and Carolyn Ehlinger, Historian, Larry and Kaye Horstmann Liaison, Debbie Anderson and Peggy Kemp, Parliamentarian, Bill Heath Promo and Demo, Vince Matej and Pamela Waugh, Sunshine, Marsha Parr Technology/ Special Projects, Sam and Mary Stephens

Of Interest Club Visitation for Plus Dancers Wednesday, June 5 – Plus 4s

Plus 4's dance was fun with Toby Thomason calling to 3 squares most of the evening. He called a fast and furious first tip and I wasn't up to par after not dancing since March 25. I did manage to dance 2 tips thought. It is going to take me some time to build up strength to go that fast again. Everyone seemed to be having a fun and good time dancing. Thankyou Jan and Richard for attending our Of Interest Club Visitation along with Dave and Myself.

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

Ray Savell called a very entertaining dance at his anniversary of his calling for 30 years celebration. Ray was joined by Linda calling a duet. Ray commentated saying that this was one they cut their teeth on calling together. They do a great job harmonizing as they called the tune. Chris Farabaugh had a good mix of rhythms for the Round dancers to enjoy. There were 9 squares in the first tip after the Grand March with several couples sitting out enjoying ice cream and fruit cobbler. We counted 8 couples in the Round dance after the first tip. There were 77 visitors and 23 Circle I members present. Thank you to: Chris and Merry Trujillo for attend with Dave and Lorraine Burson to support the Club Official Visitation. And NO, we did not retrieve our club Banner. Maybe we will do better next time. Marsha Parr, their Area V.P, presented Circle I their 920 Club Visitation Patch award.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

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

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

Friday, October 11, 2024 Swinging Stars Round up Theme Dance Friday, November 22, 2024 Swinging Stars Double Deal 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



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



Show Your American Pride By Wearing Red, White & Blue!



Friday, July 12, 2024

Caller: Mike Bramlett Cuer: David Berling



Banners Honey Pot Food Fun

Early Rounds 7:30 Square Dance 8:00

Dancers Under 18 Dance Free With Paying Adults



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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 Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

Early Rounds: 7:30 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