### Newsletter for January 5, 2020

# **Message from Presidents David and Peggy Edwards**

Hello, Swinging Stars

We wish you all a Happy and Prosperous New year. As most of you, we also have been extremely busy during the holidays, and are looking forward to getting back in our routine.

As our term of president winds down and new presidents takes office in February, We would like to say it has been our honor to have served as presidents of the Swinging Stars for the past year.

Looking forward to seeing you all this Friday.

David and Peggy Edwards Presidents, Swinging Stars

#### Swinging Stars 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Dues are Due!

Just a friendly reminder, your 2020 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter dues are Due!

You can pay:

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Quarters	Couple	Single
1 Qtr	55.00	27.50
2 Qtrs.	110.00	55.00
3 Qtrs.	165.00	82.50
4 Qtrs.	220.00	110.00

Bring to the next dance or,

Send To: Nevin Mulvin 3409 Eisenhower Ln. Plano TX 75023-3933

Please make check PAYABLE TO: Swinging Stars.

### Happening This Week

Friday, January 10 – Swinging Stars – Regular 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday night dance.

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Time: Early Round 7:00, Plus Tip 7:20, Workshop 7:40, Grand March 8:00

Location: Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano, TX

Saturday, January 11 - Diamond Jubilees - Snowman Dance

Official Visitation - Banner Raid

Caller: Ray Savell Cuer: Karen Gloodt

Location: Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX

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

#### From 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
T Square Gadabouts	4/19/2019
Log Cabin Swingers	5/04/2019
Cotton Pickin' Squares	5/25/2019
Circle I	11/02/2019
Dixie Chainers	12/14/2019
Kissin Kuzzins	1/03/2020

#### **Swinging Stars Banners Out**

Club	Date Captured
Texas Reelers	11/22/2019
Rebel Rousers	11/22/2019

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

### Tuesday, December 31 – Rebel Rousers – New Years Eve Dance Dance of Interest

More than 7-squares and as many as 6 round dance couples rang in the New Year with a square and round dance evening hosted by the Rebel Rousers. Mike Bramlett and Bobby Willis shared the calling duties for the square dance tips and Christine Hixson cued the round dance tips and early rounds. More than 4-hours of dancing ended with a ginger ale toast at midnight followed by a good night square dance tip. Swinging Stars inattendance: P Amy, R&J Covington, T&V Evanto, M Hardin, H&Z Kilejian, R&D See. Dave and I did I plan to attend the dance but, Lorraine got a sinus infection and didn't feel well enough to go. A Big Thank you to Tom Evanto for the Report.

## Friday January 3 – Kissin Kuzzins – Happy New Year Dance New Dancer Dance – Banner Raid

The dance was well attended considering there was a very big dance going on in Waco that some of our members attended. All the new Dancers and some of the experienced dancers enjoyed the workshop given by Mike Bramlett. I believe no matter how well you dance you can always learn something of benefit from going to a workshop given by a different caller than what your are used dancing to. I want to say thank you to all the Swinging Stars that attended and also showed up wearing Royal blue showing one of our club colors. It is nice to look around and see all that Royal Blue showing the number of Swinging Stars are in attendance. Good job!

Thank you to these members for attending: P. Amy, Bergesens, Bursons, Evantos, Hamms, Harrises, Gulicksons, Hollands, Perrotts, C Wolfe and the Cuer for the Kissin Kuzzins, Peltons who we are also proud to say are members of the Swinging Stars. We had 18 paying Swinging Stars and this was more than enough to get their Banner and to get a Visitation signature for the club.

### Saturday January 4 – Circle I – New Years Resolution, Keep Dancing Theme Dance

No Report.

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

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Location: Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano, Tx.

### Saturday, January 11 – Diamond Jubilees – Snowman Dance Official Visitation – Banner Raid

We need to be collecting banner. Our banner count is kind of low. You will enjoy dancing to Ray Savell and Karen Gloodt.

Caller: Ray Savell Cuer: Karen Gloodt

Location: Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX

#### Wednesday, January 15 – Plus 4's – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday Plus Dance

This is Quiz's regular Wednesday plus dance night. We would like to see more Plus Dancers attending to the Plus dance...Like the Swinging Stars used to do. We miss you there.

**Caller: Charles Quisenberry** 

Time: A dancing at 6:15, Plus at 7:30 to 9:30

Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church, 12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

# Friday, January 17 – Texas Reelers – Disco Fever Official Visitation – Banner Retrieval

Maybe you can find some of your favorite vintage disco clothes in the back of you closet and come as a disco dancer. Wouldn't that be fun to see. Knowing Deborah Carroll as we do, she will have some vintage music that she will adapt for the occasion. Can't wait for this one.

Caller: Deborah Carroll Jones with Jon Jones

**Cuer: Chris Farabaugh** 

Time: Early rounds: 7:30, Grand March: 8:00 Location: 820 W. Arapaho Richardson, TX

## Saturday, January 18 – Rebel Rousers – Bennett Bowl Official Visitation – Banner Retrieval

Put on your favorite Team Jersey and come out and play or dance. Every year around this time they have Scott Bennett fill in for Mike. Scott is an excellent caller with the coolest music. I love dancing to his calling. I am very hopeful that my foot will be healed well enough to dance by then

**Guest Caller: Scott Bennett Cuer: Christine Hixson** 

Time: Early Rounds: 7:00, All Plus: 7:30, Grand March: 800

Location: 820 W. Arapaho Richardson, TX

#### Friday, January 24 - Swinging Stars - Boots and Jeans - New Dancer Dance

Please notice the new format times listed here. <u>The times listed in the ad in the Promenade are incorrect.</u> We have listed the correct format times.

Caller: Bobby Willis Cuer: Walter Brewer

Time: Early Round 7:00, Plus Tip 7:20, Workshop 7:40, Grand March 8:00

Location: Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano, TX

# Saturday, January 25 – Triangle Squares – 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance Official Visitation Winter Wonderland

Oh yes, this is going to be a fun night of dancing. Tim is the Funniest Fun caller that comes to this area. There have been times when he is so funny that I miss what it was that he called. The Triangle Squares always puts on a really good dance for their anniversary. This is one of the dances the Swinging Stars look forward to. Please plan to visit with us.

**Club Caller: Toby Thomason** 

Guest Caller: Tim Tyl Guest Cuer: Barb Yeargan

Location: Cumberland Presbyterian Children's Home

1407 Bernard Street, Denton (Just off 1-35 East Hwy 377)
Note: Come Experience...A night of Winter Wonderings and Trivia

Sunday, January 26 – NTCA and NORTEX presents a:

**Swingtime Benefit Dance** 

Admission by Donation - All Proceeds go to the Swingtime Center

Callers: NTCA Callers
Cuers: NTCA Cuers

Time 7:30

Location: Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX

Note: This is a Dance of Interest for the Swinging Stars. It is an important dance for everyone, we all need to get out and support the Swingtime Center. We know you will be happy that you attended. I understand that for the past four years Swingtime managed and operated by CASUL, Inc. has been operating at a loss. CASUL, which stands for Concerned Associated Swingtime Users Limited, is owned by Square and Round dancers.

#### Wednesday, January 29 - Plus 4's - 5th Wednesday Plus Dance

This is Quiz's regular Wednesday plus dance night. We would like to see more Plus Dancers attending to the Plus dance...Like the Swinging Stars used to do. We miss you there,

**Caller: Charles Quisenberry** 

Time: A dancing at 6:15, Plus at 7:30to 9:30

Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church, 12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

Note: In the past 5<sup>th</sup> Wed. is always Ice cream night. Come see if it still is!

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

#### Sunday, January 12 - Introductory Dance - Getting to Know You

Jan has invited the Swinging Stars to come by and help her with her first of two dances she needs to graduate from a Trainee. Let's show her that we are proud of all her hard work she has been doing and is accomplishing to be a caller. We wish her success.

Format: Mainstream with 2 Plus Tips

Time 6:00 - 8:00

Location: Grace Church, 2005 Estates Parkway, Lucas, TX

Enter through the back

Note: From Central Expressway, go east on McDermott, pass Highway 5 at the light and continue on Main St. thru Allen, Pass Angel Parkway, go about .7 of a mile and you will see the Grace Church on the right side of the road.

Admission: Only \$5 per couple!

#### Thursday, January 23 – Swinging Stars Ladies Luncheon

I have some new information about the January Ladies Luncheon. I was very unhappy when the call came from Del RioTex-Mex Restaurant, that they have closed and are no longer in business. They called Saturday afternoon and said they closed that day, I was able to find a good replacement for the Tex- Mex food that I enjoy. I have changed the reservation to Mexi-Go. This is really my favorite Tex- Mex place to eat. I just thought that Del Rio was a little more popular. The time and date are the same, the only thing that has changed is the restaurant. Mexi-Go is located in the Shopping center on the East Side of Central Expressway and South of McDermott, but the address is actually 533 W. McDermott. The restaurant is about mid way in the shopping center. They are an Authentic Mexico City Inspired Scratch Kitchen concept – they are, why so many people make Mexi-Go restaurant their go to for Mexican and Tex-Mex cuisine. Ok, to recap. The Ladies Luncheons is on Thursday Jan.23rd at 11:30 at Mexi-Go Restaurant. Please Reply to Lorraine by January 21<sup>st</sup> to give the restaurant ample time to set up for us. Reply to Lorraine at Lorraine@Bursons.us or 972-396-0941. Check out their menus by going to. <a href="https://www.mexigo.com/menu/">https://www.mexigo.com/menu/</a>. I hope you will come and enjoy their Tex- Mex food and visit with the ladies in the Swinging Stars.

#### Beginning Bolero Lessons - Starts Saturday January 11 - Don't Miss Out

Have you thought about taking round dance lessons? Or maybe you have a rhythm or two "under your belt" but have been wondering about another class? Linda and JL will be teaching a beginning Bolero class starting on Saturday, January 11. Bolero is a slow Latin rhythm very similar to Rumba. If you have already had Rumba, then Bolero will be easier to learn. If you have not had Rumba, then when you get ready to take a Rumba/Cha Cha class, Bolero will make that class easier to learn too. All the Latins are easier as they have a looser dance hold position. Bolero also begins with a slow side step -- translation, you've got time to think as you take the side step, about what to do for step two.

Class is from 11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. on Saturdays at Carpenter Recreation Center, 6701 Coit Road in Plano. Yeah -- you can have a leisurely breakfast before class and the ending time still gives you plenty of time for the rest of your Saturday activities. Registration is now open. Call Carpenter at 972-208-8087 to register. Taking a class with Linda and JL is always a lot of fun, so don't miss out!

#### **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 metropolex.

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 Walmart or Dollar Tree. If you need supplies contact First Vice Presidents Nick and Diane Stewart. Please do not buy supplies without first checking with the Stewarts (972.377.3910) or <a href="mailto:1stvp@swingingstars.org">1stvp@swingingstars.org</a>. ). If you have additional questions, call or text Mark (214.536.5863) or Karen Hawkins (214.537.0446) or 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 <a href="markt.karenl@gmail.com">markt.karenl@gmail.com</a> of the change.

January 10 – **Evanto,** Lassiter, Reid, Sperry
January 24 – **Gifford,** Chen, Dennison, Rickert
(Theme - *Boots and Blue Jeans Dance* / New Dancer Dance)

February 14 – **See**, Feldman, Kilejian, Pelton (Theme – *Be My Valentine*)

February 28 – **Mosher**, Amy, Burson, Hawkins

March 13 – **Trujillo**, Deluke, Jung, Whipple

March 27 – **Bondi**, Goebel, Hamm, Stewart (Theme – ???)

#### Sunshine information

#### From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

It was good to see Lorraine Burson attending the dance at the Kissin Kuzzins Friday evening. Some of us can relate well to the need to get out of the house and back into the square dance world. We are happy to see her making progress.

#### Special dates to put on your calendar

Friday May 29, 2020 – Swinging Stars 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance
Theme "Swinging Stars Anniversary Ball"

### **Listening Device Information**

#### From Charlie and Linda Harris

At our dances, the Swinging Stars are pleased to loan, free of charge, a "listening device" to any requesting dancer. Current inventory is two devices, offered on a first-come first-served basis as each dance starts. Talk to Nevin Mulvin at the check in table. To answer questions about the listening device, email Charles Harris at <a href="https://harris.org/nate-to-phone-214-348-5361">https://harris.org/nate-to-phone-214-348-5361</a>. Notice to anyone interested in purchasing a listening device receiver for square or round dancing, contact Charles Harris. He has one new William Sound PPA R-37. The new unit is priced at \$90.00 and includes the earphone. It is the 17 channel unit versus the 3 channel Listen Brand units and has a five-year warranty.

#### **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.

Dave Burson Newsletter Editor Swinging Stars

Email: newsletter editor@swingingstars.org

Phone: 972-396-0941

#### See Flyer below



# Boots & Jeans New Dancer Dance

Jan 24, 2020



Shepard Elementary School

1000 Wilson Dr. Plano, TX

\* New Format \*

Caller: Bobby Willis

Cyer: Walter Brewer

Early Rounds - 7:00 pm

Plus Tip - 7:20 pm

Workshop - 7:40 pm

Grand March - 8:00 pm



\* Honey Pot

\* Banners

\* Refreshments



For more info: president@swingingstars.org www.swingingstars.org