



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for January 12, 2020

Message from Presidents

David and Peggy Edwards

Hello, Swinging Stars

To those of you who were not at our dance Friday night, we would like you to know, that will be the last dance we preside over as presidents of the Swinging Stars.

We will be out of town the weekend of our next dance. Nick and Diane has graciously agreed to fill in for us. (thank you). We will miss not presiding over the dances but Jan and Doug will do a great job. Thank you for allowing us to do this over the last year.

David and Peggy Edwards
Presidents, Swinging Stars

Swinging Stars 1st Quarter Dues are Due!

Just a friendly reminder, your **2020 1st Quarter** dues are **Due!**

You can pay:

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

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!

Wednesday, January 15 – Plus 4's – 3rd Wednesday Plus Dance

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

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

Guest Caller: Scott Bennett

Cuer: Christine Hixson

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

Location: 820 W. Arapaho Richardson, TX

2nd 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 ***

Saturday, January 11 – Diamond Jubilees – Snowman Dance

Official Visitation – Banner Raid

Diamond Jubileers held their Snowman Dance at Swingtime Center to an enthusiastic gathering of dancers - 68 visitors and 13 club members. Club caller Ray Savel was joined by his wife Linda for several singing calls while guest Cuer Karen Gloodt called mostly phase 2 rounds for this event. Thank you to these attending Swinging Stars: Brewers, Evantos, and Sees. Since we only had 6 Swinging Stars we did not get a banner. Also thank you to Ron See for the report.

*** * * COMING EVENTS * * ***

Wednesday, January 15 – Plus 4's – 3rd 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: 8:00

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. The times listed in the ad in the Promenade are incorrect. 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 – 45th Anniversary Dance Winter Wonderland-- Official Visitation

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 Yeagan

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 Installation Dance and NORTEX Swingtime Benefit Dance – Official Visitation

Both reasons for this dance are very important. Please, please, please plan to attend this dance. I just know that you will feel good that you attended this activity. Admission is by Donation. All Proceeds go to the Swingtime Center, so please be generous. 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. We don't want to loose this venue for square dancing.

Callers: NTCA Callers

Cuers: NTCA Cuers

Time 7:30

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

Note: This is an Official Visitation for the Swinging Stars. We know you will be happy that you attended/

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 5th Wed. is always Ice cream night. Come see if it still is!

*** * * OTHER EVENTS * * ***

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 21st 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. <https://www.mexigo.com/menu/> . 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 metropolx.

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 1stvp@swingingstars.org . 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 markt.karenl@gmail.com of the change.

January 24 – **Gifford**, Dennison, Hawkins, 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, Chen,
March 13 – **Trujillo**, Deluke, Jung, Whipple (Theme – March Madness)
March 27 – **Bondi**, Goebel, Hamm, Stewart

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

No good or bad news to report.

Special dates to put on your calendar

Sunday, January 26 – NTCA Installation Dance and NORTEX Swingtime Benefit Dance
Friday May 29, 2020 – Swinging Stars 45th 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 harris0907@sbcglobal.net or phone 214-348-5361. 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

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See Flyer below



Boots & Jeans New Dancer Dance

Jan 24, 2020

★ Swinging Stars ★

Shepard Elementary School

1000 Wilson Dr. Plano, TX



* New Format *

Caller: Bobby Willis

Early Rounds - 7:00 pm

Cuer: Walter Brewer

Plus Tip - 7:20 pm

Workshop - 7:40 pm

Grand March - 8:00 pm



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★ Honey Pot

★ Banners

★ Refreshments



Dancers under 18 free with paying adults.

We dance every 2nd and 4th Friday.

For more info: president@swingingstars.org

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