



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for January 19, 2020

Message from Presidents

David and Peggy Edwards

Swinging Stars,

As our term in office draws to a close, I would like to say we will surely miss not being at our last official dance as Presidents this coming Friday. This will be a special dance for all new dancers. Nick and Diane will do a great job as they always do filling in for us.

At this dance you will have two opportunities to donate. First, if you have any square dance attire you would like to donate to new dancers who could use them, please bring them to the dance. If there are any clothes left at the end of the evening, please take them home with you.

Second, NORTEX is having a special **USO/PATRIOT PAWS Benefit Dance on March 22nd**. This dance is special for several reasons. First, it supports our military who risk their lives to protect our freedoms, which allows us to enjoy this favorite pastime of square and round dancing, Secondly, Patriot Paws trains service dogs which are given free to the men and women who are injured in the line of duty. So the executive board has decided to give all Swinging Stars and visitors the opportunity to donate above and beyond to this worthy cause. Nevin will have a container at the sign-in table for anyone who wishes to donate. We urge you to give whatever you feel led to give.

We had a great time dancing with the Texas Reelers Friday night. There were 22 Swinging Stars in attendance, and we captured both our banner and their banner. The Texas Reelers were also accepting donations to the USO/PATRIOT PAWS Benefit Dance.

See you in a square soon.
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**.

*** * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * ***

Friday, January 17 – Texas Reelers – Disco Fever

Official Visitation – Banner Retrieval

The Texas Reelers had a Disco Fever Dance at the Richardson Senior Center Friday evening to a crowd of 98 dancers. Club caller Deborah Carroll-Jones and her husband Jon Jones provided the calling while club Cuer Chris Farabaugh cued the rounds for this event. Deborah is still recovering from her hip surgery but doing extremely well. The disco music was great (I especially enjoyed the Bee Gees) and near the end of the dance the lights were turned off so the disco ball lights created a "disco" atmosphere. Thank you to these attending Swinging Stars: Bergesens, Caves, Edwards, Feldmans, Gulicksons, Hamms, M. Hardin, Harrises, Kilejians, Nestors, R. Pehrson, M. Mae, Sees, and C.Wolfe. Enough Swinging Stars attended to retrieve our banner and get their banner, 24 in all. Thank you to Ron See for the report.

Saturday, January 18 – Rebel Rousers – Bennett Bowl– Banner Retrieval and Banner Raid

Swinging Stars were out in full force this weekend. Many of the same Swinging Stars went to both visitations. And the result was we retrieved both banners that were out and captured banners from both the club visitations. Good Job Swinging Stars! Thank you to these 21 Swinging Stars for attending this dance: Bergesens, Bondis, Bursons, Edwards, Gulicksons, Hamms, M. Hardin, Harrises, Nestors, Perrotts, and Sees

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

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

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 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 Official Visitation NORTEX Swingtime Benefit Dance

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 **C**oncerned **A**ssociated **S**wingtime **U**sers Limited, is owned by Square and Round dancers. We don't want to lose this venue for square dancing, We highly recommend that as many (as possible) Swinging Stars attend this important dance.

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 7:30 to 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

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. 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.

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 1stvp@swingingstars.org. If you have additional questions, call or text Mark (214.536.5863) or Karen Hawkins (214.537.0446) or email markt.karen@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.karen@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

Jack and Veda Holland are looking forward to coming to the Swinging Stars new dancer dance on Friday. They have had some medical issues to delay their dancing. We welcome them back to square dancing.

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

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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



★ 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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