

# Newsletter for January 26, 2020

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

No Message from the President this week.

#### 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:

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 26 – NTCA Installation Dance and Official Visitation NORTEX Swingtime Benefit Dance

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

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!

# Saturday, February 1 – Circle I – Blue Jeans and Cowboy Boots Rodeo Ball Of Interest Visitation

Caller: Ray Savell Cuer: Chris Farabaugh Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus Dancing 7:30, Grand March 8:00 Location: Senter Park East 228 Chamberlain, Irving

## 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
Rebel Rousers	1/18/2020
Triangle Squares	1/25/2020

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

Club	Date Captured
Kissin Kuzzins	1/24/2020
Texas Reelers	1/24/2020

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

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

The New Dancer dance was pretty well attended. We enjoyed visitors from 8 different clubs in the NORTEX, and 2 from the NTCA membership. There were 50 visitors and 55 Swinging Stars for a total of 105 dancers.

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

This dance had a lot going for it. It Was Fun, fun, fun. There were 124 visitors with only 36 of Triangle Squares club members attending. Believe me these few members worked hard to accommodate all the visitors. Dave and I want to thank the Swinging Stars that made the trip to Denton to support the club's visitation. Thank you to Bergesens, Bursons, Colters, Gulicksons, Kilejians, Lassiters, Stewarts and Willises. Swinging Stars captured their banner and collected 2 signatures on our visitation signature card.

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

#### 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 loose this venue for square dancing, <u>We highly recommend that as many (as possible)</u> <u>Swinging Stars attend this important dance.</u>

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# Saturday, February 1 – Circle I – Blue Jeans and Cowboy Boots – Rodeo Ball Of Interest Visitation

It is always fun to go to a theme dance and show off your theme dance attire, especially a theme with a western flare. Most square dance attire is in line with the western theme. The real fun of this dance will be dancing the caller and cuer.

Caller: Ray Savell Cuer: Chris Farabaugh Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus Dancing 7:30, Grand March 8:00 Location: Senter Park East 228 Chamberlain, Irving

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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

#### Friday, February 7 – Texas Reelers – Sweetheart Dance – Double Deal Official Visitation – Banner Retrieval

We hope you will support the Swinging Stars visitation to the Texas Reelers, we always enjoy dancing to Deborah Carroll Jones. She is very easy to dance to and understand the calls when she is calling. This is a Double Deal dance and you can get two signatures for your visitation card. And the club can also get 2 signatures for the club's visitation patch.

Caller: Deborah Carroll and Jon Jones Cuer: Chris Farabaugh Time: Early Rounds 7:30, Grand March 8:00 Location: 820 W. Arapaho, Richardson

#### Saturday, February 8 – Dixie Chainers – Love is in the Air Of Interest Visitation

We all love dancing to Bobby. Please come and support the club visitation, Bobby and the Dixie Chainers. This is not a two-signature dance, but you can collect one more signature on your visitation signature card and if we have 8 Swinging Stars attending we will collect a signature for the Club's visitation signature card.

Caller: Bobby Willis Cuer: Jack von der Heide Time: Early Rounds 7:00. Grand March 7:30 Location: Christ United Methodist Church 2807 Valwood Parkway Farmers Branch Attention: The Dixie Chainers have gone to dancing once a month, the second Saturday of each month.

#### Friday, February 14 – Swinging Stars – Be My Valentine

Oh yes, this is the sweetest day of all days. I just can't help it. I just have to say this. Dave and I will have been married for 55 years on the 14<sup>th</sup>. We will be at the dance and hope you will be there too.

Caller: Bobby Willis Cuer: Walter Brewer Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus Tip 7:20, Workshop 7:40, Grand March 8:00 Location: Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano

#### Saturday, February 15 – Rebel Rousers – Black and White Ball Official Visitation – Double Deal Dance

This is their annual Black and White Ball. Swinging Stars enjoy attending attend this dance every year. You can dress up or not. Personally I like to dress up a little. Their guest caller hails from Tom Ball Texas a suburb of Houston. He is a member of the Texas Poor Boys. For those of you unfamiliar with the Texas Poor Boys, they are a group of 4 harmonizing Callers. I promise you will enjoy listening and dancing to them call. If you miss this you will surely miss a great dance.

Guest Caller: Pat Kotal Club Caller: Mike Bramlett Cuer Christine Hixson Time: Early Rounds 7:00, All Plus 7:30, Grand March 8:00 Location: Richardson Senior Center 820 W. Arapaho Rd. Richardson Note: Don't forget to get your card signed with 2 signatures

#### Wednesday, February 19 – Plus 4's

This is Quiz's regular Wednesday plus dance night. We would like to see more Plus Dancers attending the Plus dance.

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

#### Friday, February 21 – T Square Gadabouts – Snow Flake Dance Of Interest Visitation

The T Square Gadabouts invite you to enjoy the winter at their theme dance. I actually doubt there will be any snow, but it is sure to be hot with the dancing. They are having one of the very best cuers in the business, If you are a newer Round dancer you will be happy to enjoy dancing to her. It is well worth the trip. If you are also a newer square dancer you will also enjoy dancing to a caller you may have not danced to before. Please come and support the Swinging Stars club visitation. You will make Dave and me very happy

Caller: Vernon Jones Cuer: Karen Gloodt. Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Workshop 7:30, Grand March 8:00 Location: Swingtime Center 5100 South East Loop 820 Fort Worth Note: Don't feel you want to drive to the Swingtime Center, try Carpooling, It's fun!

# Saturday, February 22 – Tri City Promenaders – Celtic Fling Dance Official Visitation – Banner Raid

Ok, I will admit that I am not sure what a Celtic Fling is or what the attire would be, but I am sure that Square dance attire is perfectly fine for a fling of any sort. I am also very sure that the dance will be fun to attend. Dancing will be first class with Ray calling and Chris cueing. Please come and help us capture their Banner.

#### Caller: Ray Savell Cuer: Chris Farabaugh Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus Dancing 7:30, Grand March 8:00 Location: Brookside Center, 1244 Brookside Dr., Hurst

#### Friday, February 28 – Swinging Stars – 4<sup>th</sup> Friday Night Dance

We hope to see many of our dancing friends that may have been unable to attend dances because of various different reasons. We welcome you back.

Caller: Bobby Willis

Cuer: Walter Brewer

Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus Tip 7:20, Workshop 7:40, Grand March 8:00 Location: Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano

#### Saturday, February 29 – Kissin Kuzzins – 47<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance Official Visitation and Banner Retrieval Leap into Spring

We hope you will plan to attend this special Anniversary Dance for the Kissin Kuzzins. They have chosen to have it at the **Swingtime Center**. They will be having a very special caller. He is well known thru out the square dancing community here and nationally. He is in my opinion, the smoothest caller and I have always thought it is almost impossible to mess up when he calls. Not only are they having this great caller they have their own well-known cuer. Please make it an effort to make the trip to the Swingtime Center. If you would like to car pool let us know if you would be willing to drive or if you are looking to ride with someone. We will make a list of those that would like to carpool.

Guest Caller: Darryl Lipscomb Cuer: JL Pelton Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus Dancing 7:30, Grand March 8:00 Location: <u>Swingtime Center</u> 5100 SE Loop 820/Anglin Dr., Fort Worth

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

#### Sunday February 9 – NORTEX Quarterly Meeting

Anyone interested in attending is welcome to come and hear more about what NORTEX is and what it does for us. Following the meeting there will be an Informational Seminar. Our own Jan Bergesen will present a talk about our mentoring program.

Meeting Time: 2:00, Informational Seminar: Immediately following the Quarterly meeting Location: Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820/Anglin Dr., Fort Worth

#### Wednesday February 19 – Swinging Stars Ladies Luncheon

Debbie Reid has graciously volunteered to host the February Ladies Luncheon. The Ladies Luncheon is on Wednesday Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 at **Torchey's Tacos**, 300 W Campbell Rd #160, Richardson, TX. Please Reply to Debbie Reid by Feb 17<sup>th</sup> to give the restaurant ample time to set up for us. Reply to Debbie at <u>debbie.r.reid@gmail.com</u> or 214-669 5723. We will have more info in a later newsletter.

#### **Round Dance Lessons Schedule**

JL and Linda Pelton have firmed up their class schedules for round dance lessons and wanted to share this early information with the club. Note that they are running two classes starting March 28 -- Intermediate Waltz and Beginning Jive.

#### Intermediate Waltz

Requires a beginning Waltz class as a prerequisite. Saturdays 11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. March 28 through May 23

#### Beginning Jive (also called Swing)

Saturdays 1:45 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. March 28 through May 23

**Beginning Rumba and Cha Cha** will be offered in the summer with a follow-on class of Intermediate Rumba and Cha Cha in the Fall.

## **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 Alex & Vanessa Nestor. Please do not buy supplies without first checking with the Nestors (469.235.2971) or <u>1stvp@swingingstars.org</u>. ). If you have additional questions, call or text Mark (214.536.5863) or Karen Hawkins (214.537.0446) or email <u>markt.karenl@gmail.com</u> until March 1, 2020. After March 1 contact Rick Pehrson (972.837.6999 or patrick33081@verizon.net).

**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 <u>markt.karenl@gmail.com</u> of the change.

February 14 – **See**, Burson, Kilejian, Pelton (Theme – *Be My Valentine*) February 28 – **Mosher**, Amy, Chen, Feldman March 13 – **Trujillo**, Deluke, Edwards, Jung (Theme – March Madness) March 27 – **Bondi**, Goebel, Hamm, Stewart

#### Sunshine information From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

Friday night's dance brought several of our members back. Jack and Veda Holland, new members, are returning after his medical treatment. They are happy to be active in square dancing again. Gene and Phyllis Deluke are back to some limited dancing after his surgery. Gene even danced a round dance with Linda Pelton, our round dance teacher. Bob and Kathy Estep were welcomed back and did some limited dancing as well. We hope more and more of our members will be joining us on Friday nights and hopefully go on a few visitations.

#### Special dates to put on your calendar

Sunday, January 26 – NTCA Installation Dance and NORTEX Swingtime Benefit Dance Friday May 29, 2020 – Swinging Stars 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance Theme "Swinging Stars Anniversary Ball"

# **Listening Device Information**

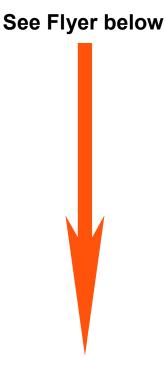
#### From Charlie and Linda Harris

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 <u>harris0907@sbcglobal.net</u> 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: <u>www.swingingstars.org</u> 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.

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# Be My Bentine Valentine Feb 14, 2020 Swinging Stars

# Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano, TX

Caller: Bobby Willis Cuer: Walter Brewer



Honey Pot Banners Refreshments Early Rounds 7:00 pm Plus Tip: 7:20 pm Workshop: 7:40 pm Grand March: 8:00 pm

Dancers under 18 free with paying adults. We dance every 2nd and 4th Friday. For more info: president@swingingstars.org www.swingingstars.org