## Newsletter for January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019

## Message from the President

#### **Dave and Lorraine Burson**

We hope everyone enjoyed the Swinging Stars dance on Friday night. If you were not there you were missed. Walter cued a very nice array of rhythms. Several round dancers enjoyed dancing to his cueing. We were short on visitors and members, but everyone seemed to be enjoying the dance. There were a total of 72 dancers attending. 12 visitors with 60 Swinging Stars. Kissin Kuzzins had 9 and gave them our banner, Circle I had1, and there were 2 Independent dancers. Hopefully when the weather gets better we will have more Swinging Stars attending the dances.

Their was a short meeting after the dance and the club voted to have Scott Bennett as our Guest Caller for our 2020 Anniversary Dance that will be on May 29, 2020.

## **USO BENEFIT DANCE**

This dance is sponsored by NORTEX and NTCA to support DFW USO for their Support of Military Personnel and Families transiting DFW Airport. Last year they touched 188,000 people. They have a fantastic facility at the Airport, where they provide food, lounges with TV's, recliners, books and games for children. All this is done on volunteer contributions to the USO.

March 17, 2019

Admission to the dance will be a Donation to USO. At the **Swingtime Center** 5100 SE Loop 820 Ft. Worth, Texas

4:00 - 5:00 pm New Dancer Dance

6:00 - 8:00 pm Rounds and Squares



NORTEX & NTCA USO DFW BENEFIT DANCE

NTCA Callers and Cuers will be donating their time and talents to insure that all have a good time. The committee is asking each club to bring an item for silent auction. Callers and Cures are invited to participate in the silent auction. It can be a gift basket, gift cards, sports items, etc. Whatever you think would bring the highest bid. However, remember that it will be in competition with the rest of the items in the auction, where the highest bid will receive a check in the amount of \$270, equal to 12 quarter page Promenade ads. All entries that did not win will be put into a drawing for one full-page ad worth \$80.00, to be used in 2019.

Along with that, the NTCA Partners are putting together a tin can auction. They are getting several items donated for this. Please give some thought, if you would like to donate something to the USO committee for their tin can auction.

If you would like to donate to the NTCA's Tin can Auction please contact <a href="mailto:rspray1@gmail.com">rspray1@gmail.com</a> Ray Spray Or 580-351-8924.

# **Anniversary Dance Update**: From the Anniversary Dance Chairman Anne and Russ Neidl

We still have many time slots open on just about every committee. We are also in need of salads and a few desserts. We could potentially have close to 300 visitors to feed so having enough food is critical to the success of this dance. I will start calling members this week to suggest a time slot/committee and a food item we are in need of. Thank you to those who agreed to chair a committee. A special thanks goes to the Dennisons who have agreed to host the after party.

If you have any strong feelings about a particular committee you wish to serve on, please email or call Anne and Russ Nejdl at Yo Red@verizon.net Or 972.964.5979 with your preference and I will try to work with you.

I wish to thank those Stars who donated items for the tin can auction. We are amazed at our member's talents and generosity. You can bring your donations for the tin can auction to any of our future dances. I will continue to bring the signup sheets to each of our club dances and I will try to get to the dance much earlier than we did this week.

Anne and Russ Nejdl

#### **Swinging Stars Dues are due!**

Just a friendly reminder, your 2019 dues are due!

You can pay:

| Quarters | Couple | Single |
|----------|--------|--------|
| 1 Qtr    | 45.00  | 22.50  |
| 2 Qtrs.  | 90.00  | 45.00  |
| 3 Qtrs.  | 135.00 | 67.50  |
| 4 Qtrs.  | 180.00 | 90.00  |

Please send check PAYABLE TO Swinging Stars.

Send To: Nevin Mulvin 3409 Eisenhower Ln.

Plano TX 75023-3933

## **Happening This Week**

Wednesday, Jan 30<sup>th</sup> – Plus 4s

Charles Quisenberry- 7:30 PM Plus

Friday, Feb 1st - Texas Reelers

Deborah Carroll-Jones, Jon Jones & Chris Farabaugh

7:30 PM Early Rounds, 8:00 PM Grand March

Saturday, Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> - Circle I

Ray Savell & Chris Farabaugh

7:00 PM Early Rounds, 7:30 PM Plus, 8:00 PM Grand March

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

#### From Ron and Donita See

There are two really good dances this week that everyone can enjoy. The Texas Reelers are having a Double Deal dance as a tribute to the Beatles and Circle I is having a Stock Show and Rodeo Dance.

Our current Swinging Star banner inventory is shown below. If you visit a club whose banner we have, please don't bring home another one.

#### **Banners Captured by the Swinging Stars**

| Club               | Date Captured |
|--------------------|---------------|
| Log Cabin Swingers | 6. May. 2017  |
| T-Square Gadabouts | 04/20/18      |
| Lone Star Solos    | 11/29/18      |
| Dixie Chainers     | 01/12/19      |
| Triangle Squares   | 01/19/19      |

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

| Club            | Date Captured |
|-----------------|---------------|
| Roadrunners     | 11/30/18      |
| Rebel Rousers   | 11/30/18      |
| Texas Reelers   | 1/11/19       |
| Kissin' Kuzzins | 01/25/19      |
|                 |               |

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

There were no reported visitations this week. The NTCA dance today will be reported in the next newsletter.

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

#### **NTCA Dancer Appreciation Dance - Free Dance**

Date: Sunday, 27Jan19
Caller: NTCA Callers
Cuer: NTCA Cuers
Time: GM - 7:30PM
Location: Swingtime Center

5100 SE Loop 820 Fort Worth, TX. 76140

Note: Free admittance

#### Plus 4s

Date: Wednesday, 30Jan19 Caller: Charles Quisenberry

Time: PL - 7:30PM

Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

#### Texas Reelers – The British Invasion A Beatles Tribute – Banner Retrieval

Date: Friday, 1Feb19

Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones & Jon Jones

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

Time: ER – 7:30PM, GM – 8:00PM Location: Richardson Senior Center

820 W Arapaho, Richardson

Note: Double Deal dance, banner retrieval

#### Circle I – Stock Show and Rodeo – New Location – Banner Raid

Date: Saturday, 2Feb19

Caller: Ray Savell
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

Time: Early Rounds – 7:00PM, Plus - 7:30PM, GM – 8:00PM

Location: Lee Park Recreation Center

3000 Pamela Drive, Irving

Note: **New Location, Banner raid** 

#### Plus 4s

Date: Wednesday, 6Feb19 Caller: Charles Quisenberry

Time: PL - 7:30PM

Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

## Swinging Stars - Friday, Feb 8th

Caller: Wayne Baldwin
Cuer: Walter Brewer

Time: WS - 7:00PM / PL - 7:45PM / GM - 8:00PM

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

Website: <a href="http://www.swingingstars.org">http://www.swingingstars.org</a>

Notes: club dance

#### **Dixie Chainers - Valentine Dance - New location**

Date: Saturday, 9Feb19

Caller: Bobby Willis

Cuer: Jack von der Heide

Time: ER/WS – 7:00PM, GM – 7:30PM Location: Christ United Methodist Church

2807 Valwood, Farmers Branch

Note: New location

## Kissin' Kuzzins – Love is in the Air – 46th Anniversary Dance

Date: Friday, 15Feb19

Callers: Wayne Baldwin, Tim Tyl

Cuer: JL Pelton

Time: ER - 7:00PM, GM - 8:00PM

Location: Garland Senior Center

Ave A, Garland

Note: Anniversary Dance, double signature, Banner retrieval

#### Rebel Rousers – Black & White Ball – Double Deal – Banner Retrieval

Date: Saturday, 16Feb19
Caller: Mike Bramlett
Cuer: Christine Hixson

Time: ER - 7:00PM / Plus - 7:30PM / GM - 8:00PM

Location: Richardson Senior Center

820 W Arapaho, Richardson

Note: Double Deal, Banner retrieval

#### Plus 4s

Date: Wednesday, 20Feb19
Caller: Charles Quisenberry

Time: PL - 7:30PM

Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

## Swinging Stars – Friday, Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>

Theme Mardi Gras
Caller: Wayne Baldwin
Cuer: Walter Brewer

Time: ER - 7:00PM / PL - 7:45PM / GM - 8:00PM

Location: Shepard Elementary School (1000 Wilson Dr, Plano, TX)

Website: <a href="http://www.swingingstars.org">http://www.swingingstars.org</a>

Notes: club dance

#### Other Events:

#### Thursday February 14, Ladies Luncheon

Ladies, please join us February 14th at 11:30 for lunch at Mi Cocina located in the Shops at Legacy 5760 Legacy Drive, #B7, Plano, TX. Please RSVP by Monday, February 11 to our hostess, Karen Hawkins, by text or phone: 214-537-0446. You can view the menu on their website: <a href="https://www.micocina.com">https://www.micocina.com</a> This upscale Tex-Mex restaurant built their reputation by using fine, high quality ingredients and by providing warm, friendly service.

### **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 Wal-Mart 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). For answers to your questions about the Refreshments Committee Duties please call or text Mark (214.536.5863) or Karen Hawkins (214.537.0446) or email <a href="markt.karenl@gmail.com">markt.karenl@gmail.com</a>.

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.

February 8 – **Bergesen**, Evanto, Mosher, See

February 22 – **Dennison**, Gifford, Lassiter, Nejdl (Theme - Mardi Gras)

March 8 - Colter, Pelton, Pharr, Zhang

March 30 – **Anniversary Dance** (All Members participate)

#### **Sunshine information**

#### **From Bob Estep**

It is now transplant plus two months. My latest bone marrow biopsy shows no cancer cells. It also shows that my bone marrow is 100% donor cell derivative- as good as we could hope for. Still very week and my only outings are to the doctor. Immune system still nonexistent but lab numbers are very good. This Thursday was the first time since the transplant that my white blood cell count was in the normal range. Ongoing concerns: 1) avoiding major organ rejection, 2) swollen feet (fluid Renton - likely from some of the anti rejection drugs), 3) sichica (from being in hospital so long), 4) rebuild immune system (year long process), 5) retake childhood immunizations (transplant removed all immune protections). I remain confined at home with no visitors (6 mo minimum maybe 12 mo). Other than the sichica pain and the swollen feet pain I feel pretty good.

#### From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

We all can keep Eula and Walter Brewer in our thoughts and prayers as she recovers from surgery.

## **Listening Device Information**

#### From Gene and Phyllis Deluke

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. To answer questions about the listening device email **gene deluke@hotmail.com** or phone 972-234-2401.

Notice to anyone interested in purchasing a listening device receiver for square or round dancing, Charles Harris has two new William Sound PPA R-37 receivers and one like new used. The new units are priced at \$90.00 and the used one at \$50.00. All units include the earphone. These are17 channel units versus the 3 channel Listen Brand units and have a five year warranty. If you are interested in purchasing a unit, email Charlie Harris at <a href="https://harris0907@sbcglobal.net">harris0907@sbcglobal.net</a> or phone 214-348-5361.

#### **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.

#### Special dates to put on your calendar

Sunday Jan 27, 2019 The NTCA Dancer Appreciation Dance Sunday March 17 2019 U.S.O. Benefit Dance Saturday March 30, 2019 Swinging Stars 44<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance

Dave and Lorraine Burson Swinging Stars Presidents

See Flyer below

Email: president@swingingstars.org

Phone: 972-396-0941



Honey Pot Banner Game

# MARDI GRAS

Solo Board Refreshments

February 22, 2019

Shepard Elementary School -- 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano, Tx

Caller Wayne Baldwin Cuer Walter Brewer



Early Rounds 7:00 Plus Tip 7:45 Grand March 8:00

SAVE THE DATE MARCH 30,2019
SWINGING STARS 44th ANNIVERSARY DANCE
A Starry Night Dancing with the Stars
CALLER WAYNE BALDWIN, GUEST CALLER PAUL COTE
CUER WALTER BREWER

Dancers under 18 dance free when accompanied by a paying adult. For Info Contact 469-865-4162 or president@Swingingstars.org



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