



# Swinging Stars

## Square and Round Dance Club

*Newsletter for November 14, 2021*

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### Message from Presidents

**Russ and Anne Nejd**

We had a wonderful dance Friday night celebrating the service of our veterans. Thank you to Joe Rose and the American Legion Honor guard who performed our flag ceremony. All veterans in attendance were recognized. Russ and I got a call from Bobby last night at 4:15. He had returned from an out of town business trip and was running a fever of 102 degrees along with nausea. Bobby, Russ and I contacted other callers in the area. We were about to cancel the dance and were really lucky that Mike Bramlett was able to fill in for Bobby. We are even luckier that his planned engagement for the night was canceled so he could. Thank you, Mike for the lively, fun music, workshop, and challenging calls. JL had up to 8 couples on the dance floor at one time as he put them through various dances and levels of difficulty.

I spoke to Dalaina and am glad to report Bobby is feeling better after a visit to urgent care and antibiotics.

This was our last dance at the Centre for Dance. Arrangements have been made to hold our future dances at the Plano Elks Lodge starting on December 10<sup>th</sup> located at 1111 Jupiter. There is a hospitality room we can use and a suggestion we order pizzas and have them delivered to the Lodge so we could sit and visit after the dance. They sell refreshments and drinks there too. Did I mention they are charging us only \$75 a night and **NO** masks required?

The Swinging Stars club meeting is next Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 4PM at Sonny Bryan's Smokehouse. We will be voting on a slate of officers for the coming term as well as a change in our constitution to allow singles to join our club. Don't forget to pay your dues so you can vote at this meeting. The agenda will be sent to all of you this week. Sonny Bryan is located in the Pavilion Park Center, 1251 Campbell in Richardson. We have the back room reserved and hope you will join us for dinner afterwards.

Please read the entire newsletter as there is information about the Holiday Party, upcoming lessons and the ladies luncheon on Wednesday.

Anne and Russ Nejd

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## 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Dues are due

Members that normally pay quarterly and members that pay for six months your dues are due for the fourth quarter.

Dues for a quarter are \$27.50 for single member and \$55.00 for a couple. Dues for six months are \$55.00 for a single member and \$110.00 for a couple.

**Please pay your 4<sup>th</sup> quarter dues at the next square dance or mail your check to the treasurer:**

Nevin R Mulvin  
3409 Eisenhower Ln  
Plano, TX 75023-3933

**Note: Only Paid-up members and Lifetime members can vote in the meeting Sunday, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>. If you are on Associate Member status and want to vote at the Club meeting, contact Nevin. If you don't know if you are paid-up for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, contact Nevin.**

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## Swinging Stars Holiday Party

### From Nina Lassiter

The most wonderful time of year is fast approaching. It's time to get your RSVP and \$16.00 per person, in to Linda Harris for:

### The Swinging Stars Holiday Party

**Time:** 5:30 p.m. Friday, December 3, 2021.

**Place:** Dan and Nina Lassiter's home.

2017 Brandeis Dr., Richardson, TX 75082.

(214-769-6032)

See the flyer at the end of this Newsletter for full details.

Kindest regards,

Nina

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## Square Dance Lessons Starting January 3!

We have scheduled square dance lessons to begin January 3 at Liberty Recreation Center, 2601 Glenclyff Dr, Plano (east of Independence and south of 15<sup>th</sup> Street). Bobby will be the instructor, so you know the lessons will be great! Lessons will be on Monday nights, 7:15 – 9:15, for sixteen weeks, January 3 through April 18.

Like all NORTEX clubs, the Swinging Stars was hit hard by the pandemic, and we really need to get enthusiastic new members into the club. The only way that will happen is through all of us working hard to get people to take lessons. The best thing all of us can do to help is to talk with our acquaintances who are not square dancers and tell them how great it is – the fun, the friendships, the exercise – and let them know that the lessons are coming up.

For our members who haven't returned to dancing after the pandemic and may feel you need instruction before dancing again, here's your chance. Please take the lessons and come back – we miss you!

We'll have more information in the coming weeks – this is to get you started thinking about people you know who would make great Swinging Stars. Registration opens December 4 for Plano residents and December 6 for non-residents.

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## 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     |
| Tri-City Promenaders | 7/24/2021     |
| Circle I             | 9/11/2021     |
| Kissin Kuzzins       | 11/5/2021     |
| Dixie Chainers       | 11/6/2021     |
| Lone Star Solos      | 11/11/2021    |

#### Swinging Stars Banners Out

| Club | Date Captured |
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**Many NORTEX clubs have resumed dancing or will in the near future. Most clubs that have resumed dancing have ads in the *Promenade*.** To reach the **November *Promenade***, click here: <http://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2021-11-Promenade.pdf>

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

#### **November 11, Lone Star Solos -- 57<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Veterans Day Dance Official Banner Raid Club visitation**

Everyone enjoyed the fun time at the Lone Star Solos Dance Thursday night. There were 63 visitors and 10 members, having 7 Squares in the first tip. The Lone Star Solos President announced that their December 17<sup>th</sup> dance will be their last Dance. The Swinging Stars had 8 members attending. Thank you to these Swinging Stars: Bursons, Nejdls, Rodgers and Sees for supporting our Official Club Visitation Banner Raid. We captured their Banner and 2 more signatures toward our 1000 Club Visitation Award patch.

#### **Saturday, November 13 -- Circle I -- Autumn Time -- Theme Dance Dance of Interest Club Visitation**

The dance was full of fun and a lot of good calling and Cueing. I want to add to my report about the Circle I's new format for the dance. They are having one-half hour of Round Dancing and having only one round between tips. This gives the Round Dancers a half-hour before the square dancing begins and this allows for the squares to have 8 full tips. The Round Dancers had 8 couples dancing at the start of the Early rounds. When we squared up for the square dancing there were 6 squares on the floor with some around the side of the room. At the end of the evening of square dancing there were 5 squares. There were a total of 58 dancers attending the dance, 37 visitors and 21 Circle I members. The Swinging Stars had 6 members attending our Official Club Visitation. We already have one of their banners so we didn't capture a banner. We did receive the 1001 signature toward our 1020 Club Visitation Award patch. The guidelines have changed and now we only need to have 6 members to get a signature. Thank you to these Swinging Stars for attending: Bursons, Rodgers and the Sees.

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

### **Please notice the Important change listed for**

**Friday, November 19 -- Kissin Kuzzins -- New Location:** Gale Fields Recreation Center, 1701 Dairy Road, Garland, TX do to the closure of the Garland Sr. Center for remodeling.

### **Ladies Luncheon**

#### **Wednesday, November 17**

The November Ladies Luncheon will be hosted by Linda Harris. The November Ladies Lunch is scheduled for Wednesday November 17<sup>th</sup> at 11am at Bonnie Ruth's Bristo in Plano.

The address is 2432 Preston Rd. Ste 340A Plano, TX 75093. The location is Northeast Corner of Park and Preston behind Half Price Books **Please reply to [LindaHarrisTX@hotmail.com](mailto:LindaHarrisTX@hotmail.com) by**

**November 15, if you plan to attend.**

Menu >>> <https://www.bonnie Ruths Plano.com/>

### **Friday, November 19 -- Kissin Kuzzins -- Give Thanks -- Theme Dance Dance of Interest Club Visitation**

Tim will keep you enjoying the evening with his fun style of calling. The evening of dancing will consist of Mainstream Dance With Plus tip.

**Where: New Location** Gale Fields Recreation Center, 1701 Dairy Road, Garland, TX

**Guest Caller:** Tim Tyl

**Cuer:** JL Pelton

**Time:** Early Rounds 7:00, Mainstream Workshop 7:30, Grand March 8:00

**Notes:** Bring your own Water or Snack, hand sanitizer is provided.

Banners and Honey Pot

See Flyer on page 22 of the November Promenade.

### **Saturday, November 20 -- Rebel Rousers -- Toy Story -- Theme Dance Dance of Interest -- Banner Raid Club Visitation**

Donations for the annual toy drive are appreciated. Books, toys that don't need batteries for kids 10 and under.

**Where:** Richardson Senior Center  
820 West Arapaho Rd. Richardson, TX

**Caller:** Mike Bramlett

**Cuer:** Christine Hixson

**Time:** Early Rounds 7:00, Plus Fun Workshop 7:30, Dance 8:00

**Note:** Bring your own Drinks and Snacks

See Flyer on Page 26 of the November Promenade

### **Sunday, November 21**

#### **Swinging Stars General Business Meeting**

Please be sure to attend this meeting. Swinging Stars have several important items to discuss.

**Where:** Sonny Bryan's BBQ 1251 W Campbell Road Richardson, TX

**Time:** 4:00 PM

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

**Square Dance Lessons Starting January 3**

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## Sunshine information

### From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

It is a cool but sunny Saturday. The tree trimming crew of 4 have been trimming our 3 big trees for 2 hours now. They are doing one tree at a time. The equipment is large and efficient.

Friday night's dance attendance was small but Mike Bramlett kept us entertained and busy. The Delukes were back and Zari and Harry visited awhile. Zari is anxious to get back to dancing.

Grant and Debra Gulickson returned the club fan to the Bursons yesterday morning. They have bought a small house in Idaho until they can have one built. They are moving their first load of their belongings this week.

Debra said " though their time with the Swinging Stars was short, they have met good and decent people who made them feel welcome and valued. They have a ton of memories and experiences to look back on during their eleven years in Texas." We wish them good luck and safe travelling.

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## Special dates to put on your calendar

Sunday November 21, 2021, 4:00 PM – **Swinging Stars General Meeting** –

Sonny Bryan's 1251 W Campbell, Richardson 75080

Friday, December 3, 2021, 5:30 PM – **The Swinging Stars Holiday Party**

Dan and Nina Lassiter's home, 2017 Brandeis Dr., Richardson, TX 75082

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## Web Master Dave Burson

Be sure to check out our web page: [www.swingingstars.org](http://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.

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## Message from Newsletter Editor

Thank you for making it this far down the newsletter.

As we streamlining the newsletter, if we remove something or change something that you liked the way it was, or have any suggestions, please send your comments and suggestions to:

[newsletter\\_editor@swingingstars.org](mailto:newsletter_editor@swingingstars.org) Anything sent to that email address will go to the **President of the Swinging Stars** and to the **Newsletter Editor** (Dave Burson).

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**Dave Burson**

**Newsletter Editor**

**Swinging Stars**

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**See Flyers below**





*Swinging Stars  
Annual  
Holiday Party*

*Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>*

*Dan and Nina Lassiters' Home*

*2017 Brandeis Drive*

*Richardson, Texas 75082*

*5:30 pm*

*\$16.00 per person*

*Payable to: Linda Harris*

*(by November 30<sup>th</sup> For caterer head count)*

*9434 Hilldale Drive*

*Dallas, Texas 75231*

**Catered BBQ DINNER    214.534.7632  
& ALL THE FIXIN'S**

**BYOB, Tea, water,  
coffee provided**

# Swinging Stars

## JINGLE BELL ROCK



Caller:  
Bobby  
Willis

Cuer:  
JL  
Pelton

December 10, 2021

Banners  
Honey Pot

WE HAVE  
MOVED

Again!

*New Location:*  
**ELKS LODGE PLANO**  
1111 Jupiter Rd #105B  
Plano TX 75074

Accepting  
Teddy  
Bears/Cash  
for the  
Plano Police  
Dept

Early Rounds: 7:00  
Sq. Workshop: 7:30  
Grand March: 8:00

For Info: 972-964-5979 or [President@swingingstars.org](mailto:President@swingingstars.org)  
Visit our Web Site: [www.swingingstars.org](http://www.swingingstars.org)  
Dancers Under 18 free When accompanied by a paying adult

