Newsletter for November 24, 2019

Message from Presidents David and Peggy Edwards

Thank you Swinging Stars. Thanks to all who made our DD Dance such a huge success. We don't have the financial report yet but I am sure we did great. We had 93 guest as well as 71 Swinging Stars and 2 of our students were also in attendance, for a total of 166 people, or 20 and 3/4 squares. Bobby called a great dance as well as Walter on the rounds.

Here is hoping that all of you have a great Thanksgiving, and if you are traveling we pray for safe travels. As for us, Lord willing we are spending Thanksgiving with our two sons and their families.

We are looking forward to the Swinging Stars annual Christmas party, hope to see you all there.

David and Peggy Edwards Presidents, Swinging Stars

Swinging Stars 4th Quarter Dues are Due!

Just a friendly reminder, your 2019 4th Quarter dues are **PAST 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	

Bring to the next dance or,

Send To: Nevin Mulvin 3409 Eisenhower Ln. Plano TX 75023-3933

Please make check PAYABLE TO: Swinging Stars.

Swinging Stars Double Deal Dance – Friday, November 22 –Lets Talk Turkey

Our Double Deal Dance on Friday was a great success. We had 93 visitors and gave out two Honey Pots. The Tin Can auction brought in \$400.00 so it was very successful and we want to thank Russ and Anne for all their hard work.

If anyone has expenses for our dance last night please let the Treasurer now how much so that it can be taken care of ASAP before year-end.

Thanks,

Nevin

Happening This Week

Saturday, November 30 – Lone Star Solos – 55th Anniversary Dance Official Visitation and Banner Raid

Guest Caller: Scott Bennett Club Caller: Dave Vieira

Guest Cuer: Jan and David Toms

Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Grand March 7:30 Location: 3217 Guthrie Rd. Garland TX

Swinging Stars Holiday Party - Friday December 6th, 2019

From Linda Harris

You will not want to miss this Annual Holiday Party at the Haggard Party Barn on Friday December 6, 2019! For more information, see the attached flyer or click on the following link: http://www.swingingstars.org/Swinging Stars Holiday Party 12-06-2019.pdf

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	

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Kissin Kuzzins	11/22/2019
Texas Reelers	11/22/2019
Rebel Rousers	11/22/2019

* * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * *

Wednesday, November 20 – Plus 4's Dance No Report

Friday, November 22 – Swinging Stars – Lets Talk Turkey Double Deal Dance

As 2nd VP's of the Swinging Stars it is our duty to report on the visitation of the clubs visiting our club and report the status of the banners. The Swinging Stars had a good night at our Double Deal Dance. The Following is a report of the clubs that either retrieved their banner and/or captured our banner .The Texas Reelers had 22 dancers, they retrieved their banner and captured ours. The Kissin Kuzzins had 21 dancers, they retrieved their banner and captured ours, The Rebel Rousers had 14 dancers, and they retrieved their banner and captured ours. The Tri City Promenaders had 9 dancers and retrieved their banner. The remaining total of the 27 visitors was from a variety of 8 clubs. The Swinging Stars had 71 members and 2 student dancers for an official total of 166 dancers or 20.75 squares. All the Swinging Star members that could work, worked very hard to make this a successful dance. We want to extend a special thank you to all the members that have visited so diligently to help accumulate the number of banners that prompted the visiting clubs to come and retrieve their banners. This shows that the club's visitations are a vital important part of the club's activities. Thank you Swinging Stars for your participation. Way to Go Swinging Stars!

Saturday, November 23 – Tri City Promenaders – *Pirates! Dance-* Of Interest Visitation

No Report

* * * COMING EVENTS * * *

Saturday, November 30 – Lone Star Solos – 55th Anniversary Dance Official Visitation and Banner Raid

Ok, I can't wait for this dance. They are having one of my favorite callers along with their club caller. Scott Bennett is their guest caller for the evening. I think Scott has the coolest music around. Scott is from Oklahoma and comes around here often to do guest calling in the North Texas area. The Guest Cuers for the evening are Jan and David Toms, they are still sort of new but are doing very well cueing. Come to the dance and support the Swinging Stars to help to capture the Lone Stars Banner and have fun dancing all at the same time.

Guest Caller: Scott Bennett Club Caller: Dave Vieira

Guest Cuer: Jan and David Toms

Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Grand March 7:30 Location: 3217 Guthrie Rd. Garland TX

* * * OTHER EVENTS * * *

Saturday, December 6 – Swinging Stars Annual Holiday Party

The location is the **Haggard Party Barn** on Friday December 6, 2019 at 6:00.

A big 'thank you' to Rutledge and Susan Haggard for providing the location.

Location: Haggard Party Barn, 5948 McKamy Trail, Plano, TX 75024

*Fun and Games** – Dancing to Bobby and Walter, Spring Creek BBQ, All the Fixins'! Margaritas and Beer, also tea and soft drinks!

Price: \$27.00 per person includes:

- BBQ dinner and all the trimmings,
- Margaritas, beer and soft drinks, skits and dancing, with lots of Fun!

Pay in cash or check by <u>December 1st</u>.

We need a good head count for the caterer.

(Make checks payable to Dan Lassiter)

Mail to: Dan Lassiter

1701 Gateway Blvd #403

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Tuesday December 17 – Swinging Stars Annual Ladies Holiday Luncheon

Anne Nejdl will be hosting the Annual Swinging Stars Ladies Holiday Luncheon again this year. The luncheon will take place on Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at 11:30 A.M. at Macaroni Grill at 5005 W. Park Blvd. ((northwest corner of Park and Preston). Anne has reserved the back room so we can be as rowdy as we wish. You may order off the menu and we will have separate checks. She is hard at work on games and the hostess gifts for all to enjoy. We will also be partaking in the dreaded white elephant gift exchange. This is optional but if you wish to participate, bring a wrapped gift

you wish to regift or a new item under \$10. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Anne Nejdl at Yo Red@verizon.net or 972.964.5979 by the 15th so She may let the restaurant know how many places to set up.

Beginning Bolero Lessons -- starts Saturday January 11

Linda and JL are going to be teaching a beginning Bolero class starting on Saturdays in January. This class is a great class to start a round dance journey if you have never danced rounds or a great class to expand your beginning dancing repertoire. Bolero is a slow Latin rhythm very similar to Rumba. Latins are always just a bit 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. The later start gives you plenty of time to have a leisurely breakfast and the ending time still gives you plenty of time for the rest of your Saturday activities. Registration opens December 9. You can call Carpenter at 972-208-8087 to register after registration opens. Don't think too long and miss the class. The last time Linda and JL taught beginning Bolero was two years ago. 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 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.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.

December 13 – **Nejdl**, Cave, Perrott, Zhang

(Theme – Santa's Workshop – Donate Gifts/Money)

January 10 – **Evanto**, Lassiter, Reid, Sperry

January 24 - Gifford, Chen, Dennison, Rickert

(Theme - Boots and Blue Jeans Ball / New Dancer Dance)

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

Our double deal Turkey dance was well attended and there seemed to be a lot of enjoyable dancing going on. Gene and Phyllis Deluke were present. He is looking well after his surgery. Kathy and Bob Estep came as well. Kathy was busy with the food service team. We were glad to see Fran Bivins also. Dave Burson was present without Lorraine and Walter Brewer was with Eula. We have been told that both ladies are recovering nicely. It has been awhile since our dance floor has been so crowded. Our next big club gathering will be our Holiday party on December 6th. Meantime happy Thanksgiving to you, your loved ones and friends.

Special dates to put on your calendar

Friday December 6, 2019 – Swinging Stars Annual Holiday Party Friday May 29, 2020 – Swinging Stars 45th Anniversary Dance

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 harris.org/nate-to-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

Email: newsletter editor@swingingstars.org

Phone: 972-396-0941

See Flyer below



Santa's Workshop



Dec 13, 2019



Swinging Stars

Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano, TX

Caller: Bobby Willis

Cuer: Walter Brewer







Workshop: 7:00 pm

Plus Tip: 7:45 pm

Grand March: 8:00 pm

Honey Pot

Banners

Refreshments





vino adults.

Dancers under 18 free with paying adults.

We dance every 2nd and 4th Friday.
For more info: president@swingingstars.org

www.swingingstars.org