



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for December 30th, 2018

Message from the President

Dave and Lorraine Burson

In two days we will have a New Year. 2019 is that really possible? Dave and I plan to celebrate New Years Eve at the Rebel Rouser's New Years Eve Dance. We hope we will have a good representation of Swinging Stars attending. As I have always said, "The more Swinging Stars that are at a dance the more fun the dance will be". What a great way to ring in the new year than with friends doing our favorite pastime square dancing and round dancing. See the ad on Page 14 of the December Promenade for details. The dance will be held at the Richardson Senior Center 820 W. Arapaho Road Richardson, Tx. What fun this is going to be. For good luck in 2019, there will be Black eye Peas and Cornbread with a toast at Midnight. Caller is Mike Bramlett and the Cuer is Christine Hixson. Early rounds at 8:00 and the Grand March at 9:00. Where else can you celebrate the New Year for only \$10.00 per person. If you are not at the New Years Eve Dance, Dave and I wish you a Happy New Year!

I have another dance that I think you all will want to start planning to attend. It is a Free Dance, put on by the North Texas Callers Association. This is their Appreciation Dance. The dance will be at The Swingtime Center, 5100 S. E. Loop 820 Ft. Worth, TX. on Jan 27th, 2019 at 7:30. I suggest Car Pooling.

There will be several New Dancer Dances in January. I would like to suggest that we all try to attend as many as we can; Jan. 4th Kissin Kuzzins, Jan. 5th Circle I, and Jan. 11th Swinging Stars. All have good callers. Let's encourage our new member to attend. We would be happy to take some with us. Check out the details in the January Promenade. You can find the Promenade on the Internet by going to. NORTEX.org and click on Online Promenade.

JANUARY 11, NEW DANCER DANCE AND CHILI DINNER

I want to thank everyone that signed up to either bring chili or dessert for the New Dancer. We now have the required amount of chili and dessert. Thank you so much!

Message from JL and Linda Pelton about Round Dance Lessons

It's Rumba and Cha Cha Time -- Are You Ready?

JL and Linda are offering Beginning Rumba and Cha Cha classes starting January 12 through the beginning of March. Classes are from 11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. on Saturdays at Carpenter Recreation Center, 6701 Coit Road, Plano. Sign up is open now through the Parks and Rec. Online Registration Catalog or you can call Carpenter Rec. at 972-208-8087 to Register. The Beginning Rumba and Cha Cha class is #15732 or just search for Pelton as the instructor.

What is great about Rumba and Cha Cha is that you get two rhythms for the price of one. Rumba and Cha Cha are very related rhythms with most figures appearing in both rhythms. Then after the beginning class ends, there will be an Intermediate Rumba and Cha Cha class that starts March

23. Same time and same place. By the time you finish both, you will be able to dance any Rumba and Cha cued at any square dance.

JL and Linda really like teaching the Latin classes. They will tell you it's the very best "first" beginning class to take if you have never had Round dance lessons because it has a loose hold. Of course, if you have already had a class or two, that experience will help you quickly pick up this rhythm and the classes are always a lot of fun.

Happening This Week

Monday, Dec 31st – **Rebel Rousers – New Years Eve Dance**

Mike Bramlett – 8:00 PM Early Rounds - 9:00 PM Grand March

Wednesday, Jan 2nd – **Plus 4s**

Charles Quisenberry– 7:30 PM Plus

Friday, Jan 4th – **Kissin' Kuzzins – New Dancer Dance**

Wayne Baldwin & JL Pelton –

7:00 PM Early Rounds - 7:30 PM Plus Workshop - 8:00 PM Grand March

Friday, Jan 4th – **Texas Reelers**

Deborah Carroll-Jones, Jon Jones & Chris Farabaugh

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

Saturday, Jan 5th – **Circle I – New Dancer Dance**

Ray Savell & Chris Farabaugh

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

2nd VP Report

From Ron and Donita See

This could be a very busy week for dancing. The Rebel Rousers are having their annual New Years Eve Dance on Monday. There are also a couple of dances of interest for those not going to Waco for the Winter Festival; The Texas Reelers and Circle I.

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
Texas Reelers	11/16/18
Lone Star Solos	11/29/18
Kissin' Kuzzins	12/21/18

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Roadrunners	11/30/18
Rebel Rousers	11/30/18

*** EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK ***

ADD+ – Saturday, December 29

7 Swinging Stars visited the ADD+ in Richardson for their Double Deal dance. Club caller Mike Bramlett and cuer Christine Hixson provided a great evening of dancing. Mike called a regular plus dance (with a few DBD moves to keep things interesting and to keep dancers attentive) to create a memorable and challenging dance. Swinging Stars members in attendance were: P. Amy, Bondis, T. Evanto, M. Hardin, and Sees.

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

Rebel Rousers – New Years Eve Dance

Date: Monday, 31Dec18
Caller: Mike Bramlett
Cuer: Christine Hixson
Time: ER - 8:00PM / GM – 9:00PM
Location: Richardson Senior Center
820 W Arapaho, Richardson

Plus 4s

Date: Wednesday, 2Jan19
Caller: Charles Quisenberry
Time: PL - 7:30PM
Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

Kissin' Kuzzins – New Dancer Dance

Date: Friday, 4Jan19
Callers: Wayne Baldwin
Cuer: JL Pelton
Time: ER – 7:00PM, Plus WS – 7:30PM, GM – 8:00PM
Location: Garland Senior Center
Ave A, Garland

Texas Reelers – Destiny Awaits

Date: Friday, 4Jan19
Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones & Jon Jones
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: ER – 7:30PM, GM – 8:00PM
Location: Richardson Senior Center
820 W Arapaho, Richardson

Circle I – New Years Resolution NDD

Date: Saturday, 5Jan19
Caller: Ray Savell
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: Line – 6:40PM, Plus - 7:00PM, GM – 7:30PM
Location: Lee Park Recreation Center
3000 Pamela Drive, Irving
Note: **New location**, **Banner Raid**

Swinging Stars – Friday, Jan 11th NDD

Theme: Boot Scootin' Boogie
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: <http://www.swingingstars.org>
Notes: club dance, New Dancer Dance

Dixie Chainers – Boots & Jeans

Date: Saturday, 12Jan19
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**, **Banner Raid**

Plus 4s

Date: Wednesday, 16Jan19
Caller: Charles Quisenberry
Time: PL - 7:30PM
Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

Kissin' Kuzzins – Barn Dance

Date: Friday, 18Jan19
Callers: Wayne Baldwin
Cuer: JL Pelton
Time: ER – 7:00PM, Mainstream WS – 7:30PM, GM – 8:00PM
Location: Garland Senior Center
Ave A, Garland

Triangle Squares – Red & White Sweetheart Ball – 44th Anniversary Dance

Date: Saturday, 19Jan19
Caller: Jerry Gilbreath, Toby Thomason
Cuer: Karen Gloodt
Time: ER – 7:30PM, GM – 8:00PM
Location: Denton Civic Center
321 E. McKinney Ave, Denton
Note: **New location**, Anniversary Dance, **Banner Raid**

Swinging Stars – Friday, Jan 25th

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: <http://www.swingingstars.org>
Notes: club dance

Tri-City Promenaders – Starry, Starry Night

Date: Saturday, 26Jan19
Caller: Vernon Jones
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: ER – 7:00PM, PL - 7:30PM, GM – 8:00PM
Location: Brookside Center
1244 Brookside Drive, Hurst
Note: **Banner Raid**

Other Events:

Thursday January 17, Ladies Luncheon

The January Ladies Luncheon will be hosted by Sandra Rose at the "Chocolate Angel Located in the High Street Antique Mall at 75 and Plano Parkway, on Thursday the 17th at 11:30. The address is 800 Central Expressway, Plano. This is one of our favorites. Please come and enjoy visiting with the ladies of the Swinging Stars and you will be able to enjoy all their tasty food and especially their "World Renowned Strawberry Salad". Yum yum.

Check out their Menu by going to www.chocolateangel.com

Please RSVP to Sandra Rose by January 15th. At 972-768-0468 or

Email amma.sandy@gmail.com.

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 metropollex.

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 Walt and Diana Whipple. Please do not buy supplies without first checking with the Whipples (469.737.3632). 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 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.

January 11 – **Pitts**, Bivins, Estep, Kilejian (Theme – New Dancer Dance & Chili Dinner)

January 25 – **Elliott**, Boyd, Hardin, Reid

February 8 – **Bergesen**, Evanto, Mosher, NejdI (Theme - Mardi Gras)

February 22 – **Dennison**, Gifford, Lassiter, See

March 8 – **Colter**, Pelton, Pharr, Zhang

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

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm

The year 2019 is almost here and we are hopeful for a good year. A message was sent from Adam and Jean Sabotka "We wish everyone a very happy New Year".

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 are 17 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 harris0907@sbcglobal.net 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

Friday January 11, 2019 New Dancer Dance and Chili Dinner

Saturday March 30, 2019 Swinging Stars 44th Anniversary Dance

Dave and Lorraine Burson

Swinging Stars Presidents

Email: president@swingingsstars.org

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See Flyer below





Swinging Stars



Boot Scootin' Boogie

New Dancer &

Chili Dinner Dance



Western, Casual or Square Dance Attire

Friday January 11, 2019

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

Jan. 25, 2019 Regular Club Dance



Feb. 23 MARDI GRAS Theme Dance

Sq. Workshop 7:00

Plus Tip 7:45

Grand March 8:00



SAVE THE DATE MARCH 30, 2019

"STARRY NIGHTS WITH THE STARS"

GUEST CALLER PAUL COTE AT ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC CHURCH....

★ Banner Game ★ Chili Dinner ★ Honey Pot ★ Solo Board

Dancers under 18 dance free when accompanied by a paying adult.

For Info Contact 972-396-0941 or president @Swingingstars.org



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