

Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for February 3rd, 2019

Message from Dave and Lorraine Burson

I know you are all surprised to see that Dave and I are doing the newsletter this week. We felt it would be fair to David and Peggy Edwards since most of the content is from the past week while we were still president. This will be our final newsletter ever, I hope. Dave and I were honored to serve as president, of what we think of as the best Square and Round dance club in NORTEX, for 3 times. We are very confident that the new President will serve to continue with the growth of the club. We ask that everyone support them and the rest of the Executive Committee in their endeavor as they go about being the leaders of the Swinging Stars.

Thanks to everyone that supported us. We could not have done our job as President of the Swinging Stars with out you.

USO BENEFIT DANCE

March 17, 2019

Please plan to attend this dance

NORTEX and NTCA support DFW USO for their Support of Military Personnel and Families transiting DFW Airport sponsor this dance. 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.

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
5:00 - 6:00 pm	Early Rounds
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 rspray1@gmail.com Ray Spray Or 580-351-8924.

Anniversary Dance Update:

From the Anniversary Dance Chairman Anne and Russ NejdI

Swinging Stars 44th Anniversary Dance

- March 30th at All Saints Catholic Church
5231 Meadowcreek Dr. Dallas
- Guest caller: Paul Cote
- Club Caller: Wayne Baldwin
- Club Cues: Walker Brewer
- Early rounds 7:00 Plus Dancing 7:45 Grand March 8:00.
- Salad Supper Tin Can Auction Honey Pot

Plans for the anniversary dance are in full swing. We still have many openings on the sign-up sheets for food items and committees. I will have all the sign-up sheets at our next dance on Friday night. Come on by and select the time and job you would like to volunteer for as well as food items. I will continue to either call or email club members so we can complete all the tasks required to make this dance a success. I am still collecting items for the tin can auction. I have received several hand-crafted items and some gift cards and other items too. The pile is growing in our spare bedroom. If you have something to donate (please unused or barely used) you can bring them to the next dance. I am also accepting cash to purchase gift cards to auction off. Thank you Stars for your generosity and time.

Anne and Russ NejdI

Swinging Stars Dues are due!

Just a friendly reminder, your 2019 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

Please send check **PAYABLE TO Swinging Stars.**

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

Happening This Week

Wednesday, Feb 6th – **Plus 4s**

Charles Quisenberry– 7:30 PM Plus

Friday, Feb 8th – **Swinging Stars**

Wayne Baldwin & Walter Brewer

7:00 PM Squares Workshop 7:45 PM Plus, 8:00 PM Grand March

Saturday, Feb 9th – **Dixie Chainers**

Bobby Willis & Jack von der Heide

7:00 PM Early Rounds/Workshop, 7:30 Grand March

2nd VP Report

From Ron and Donita See

This is our final report as 2nd VPs. We hope you have enjoyed this past year as much as we have. We hope to see you in a square soon.

This week the Swinging Stars are having our club dance and the Dixie Chainers are having a Valentine 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
Texas Reelers	02/01/19

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Roadrunners	11/30/18
Rebel Rousers	11/30/18
Kissin' Kuzzins	01/25/19

* * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * *

NTCA Installation & Dancer Appreciation Dance – January 27

15 Swinging Stars traveled to Swingtime Center to enjoy the FREE dance put on by the North Texas Callers Association. There were over a dozen callers and about half that many cuers that put on an amazing display of talent. The format was 2+1 (i.e. two singing calls, one round) so it was a fairly fast paced, though easy, evening of dancing. The Swinging Stars in attendance were: P. Amy, Bergesens, Bursons, Edwards, Evantos, Harrises, Sees, and Sperrys.

Plus 4s – January 30

16 Swinging Stars visited the Plus 4s Wednesday evening to help fill the hall with 6 squares. Squares were called by the club caller Charles Quisenberry ("Quiz"). Quiz did another amazing evening of calling. Swinging Stars in attendance were: P. Amy, Bergesens, Bursons, J. Duncan, Evantos, Goebels, Kilejians, Sees, and Stewarts.

Texas Reelers – February 1

29 (!) Swinging Stars visited the Texas Reelers Double Deal dance Friday evening and captured their banner. Club callers Deborah Carroll-Jones and Jon Jones called squares and Chris Farabaugh cued rounds. The theme of the dance was The British Invasion, A Beatles Tribute which featured many popular Beatles songs along with tunes from a few other British groups. Many dancers wore 60s attire and there was much singing along to the oldies. The Swinging Stars in attendance were: P. Amy, Bergesens, Bondis, Bursons, Caves, Chens, Edwards, T. Evanto, Feldmans, Hamms, M. Hardin, Harrises, Kilejians, Pitts, Sees, and Sperrys.

Circle 8 – February 2

12 Swinging Stars visited the Circle 8 club dance at Swingtime Saturday evening in celebration of 72 years of calling. In the absence of club caller Melton Luttrell (who was on a cruise in Hawaii) squares were called by Wayne Baldwin and rounds were cued by Jack von der Heide. Swinging Stars in attendance were: P. Amy, Bursons, Edwards, T. Evanto, Sees, Sperrys, and Stewarts.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

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: <http://www.swingingstars.org>
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 22nd

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: <http://www.swingingstars.org>
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: <https://www.micocina.com> 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 metropolx.

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 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.

February 8 – **Bergesen**, Evanto, Mosher, See
February 22 – **Dennison**, Gifford, Lassiter, Nejd (Theme - Mardi Gras)
March 8 – **Colter**, Pelton, Pharr, Hamm
March 30 – **Anniversary Dance** (All Members participate)

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

Nothing new to report.

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

Sunday March 17 2019 U.S.O. Benefit Dance

Saturday March 30, 2019 Swinging Stars 44th Anniversary Dance

Dave and Lorraine Burson

Swinging Stars Presidents

Email: president@swingingstars.org

Phone: 972-396-0941

See Flyer below



Swinging Stars

Celebrates



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

Visit our web site: www.swingingstars.org



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