



# Swinging Stars

## Square and Round Dance Club

**Newsletter for February 9, 2020**

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### Message from Presidents

**Doug and Jan Bergesen**

At our dance this week we are going to talk about when we want our second plus tip. Be prepared to share your thoughts and vote.

Doug and Jan Bergesen

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### Swinging Stars 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Dues are PAST Due!

Just a friendly reminder, your **2020 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter** dues are **Past Due!**

You can pay:

Quarters	Couple	Single
1 Qtr	55.00	27.50
2 Qtrs.	110.00	55.00
3 Qtrs.	165.00	82.50
4 Qtrs.	220.00	110.00

Bring to the next dance or,

Send To: Nevin Mulvin 3409 Eisenhower Ln. Plano TX 75023-3933
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Please make check **PAYABLE TO: Swinging Stars.**

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### NORTEX Dues from all of the Clubs in NORTEX are due May 1, 2020

The Swinging Stars has to update the list of members that are going to be NORTEX members for 2020, so that we can calculate the NORTEX dues (\$ 10.00 per member). Since we will be compiling this list in April, only members that have paid 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter or 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Dues and Associate and Honorary Member that have paid NORTEX dues to the Swinging Stars Treasurer for 2020, by April 15, 2020 will be put on the list. If you are not on this list, or the address we have for you is not correct, you will stop receiving the Promenade. If you are not sure if your dues are up to date, you can check with Nevin Mulvin at [Treasurer@swingingstars.org](mailto:Treasurer@swingingstars.org) or at 214-790-3908.

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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
Cotton Pickin' Squares	5/25/2019
Circle I	11/02/2019
Dixie Chainers	12/14/2019
Texas Reelers	1/17/2020
Rebel Rousers	1/18/2020
Triangle Squares	1/25/2020

#### Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Kissin Kuzzins	1/24/2020
Lone Star Solos	1/24/2020

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

#### Friday, February 7 – Texas Reelers – Sweetheart Dance

Dave and I owe the club a big apology. We mistakenly recorded the banner list back in Jan. It was incorrect that the Reelers had our banner. On a different note, we have been ask by the president of the club to shorten our report so from here on the reports will be for what they were originally intended to be, a thank you for the members that supported the club by attending the club visitations. We did have a very good turn out for the visitation. We collect 2 signatures toward the 980 Club Visitation award patch. Thank you to these Swinging Star members that attended to support the club visitation: Bergesens, Bursons, Edwards, Evantos Giffords, Gulicksons, M. Hardin, Harris, Hollands, Kilejians, Nejdls, Nestors, R. Pehrson, M. Mae, Sees, and C.Wolfe.

#### Saturday, February 8 – Dixie Chainers – Love is in the Air

We had a pretty fair showing of Swinging Stars at the Dixie Chainers dance. We captured their banner and collected another signature toward the 980 patch; however, Dave forgot that we already have their banner so he took a second banner. Thank you to these members for supporting the club visitation: Bursons, Edwards, Evantos, Gulicksons, Kilejians, and Nejdls.

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

#### Friday, February 14 – Swinging Stars – Be My Valentine

Oh yes, this is the sweetest day of all days. I just can't help it. I just have to say this. Dave and I will have been married for 55 years on the 14<sup>th</sup>. We will be at the dance and hope you will be there too.

**Caller: Bobby Willis**

**Cuer: Walter Brewer**

**Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus Tip 7:20, Workshop 7:40, Grand March 8:00**

**Location: Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano**

## **Saturday, February 15 – Rebel Rousers – Black and White Ball Official Visitation – Double Deal Dance**

This is their annual Black and White Ball. Swinging Stars enjoy attending attend this dance every year. You can dress up or not. Personally I like to dress up a little. Their guest caller hails from Tom Ball Texas a suburb of Houston. He is a member of the Texas Poor Boys. For those of you unfamiliar with the Texas Poor Boys, they are a group of 4 harmonizing Callers. I promise you will enjoy listening and dancing to them call. If you miss this you will surely miss a great dance.

**Guest Caller: Pat Kotal**

**Club Caller: Mike Bramlett**

**Cuer Christine Hixson**

**Time: Early Rounds 7:00, All Plus 7:30, Grand March 8:00**

**Location: Richardson Senior Center 820 W. Arapaho Rd. Richardson**

**Note: Don't forget to get your card signed with 2 signatures**

## **Wednesday, February 19 – Plus 4's**

This is Quiz's regular Wednesday plus dance night. We would like to see more Plus Dancers attending the Plus dance.

**Caller: Charles Quisenberry**

**Time: A dancing at 6:15, Plus at 7:30to 9:30**

**Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church, 12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch**

## **Friday, February 21 – T Square Gadabouts – Snow Flake Dance Of Interest Visitation**

The T Square Gadabouts invite you to enjoy the winter at their theme dance. I actually doubt there will be any snow, but it is sure to be hot with the dancing. They are having one of the very best cuers in the business, If you are a newer Round dancer you will be happy to enjoy dancing to her. It is well worth the trip. If you are also a newer square dancer you will also enjoy dancing to a caller you may have not danced to before. Please come and support the Swinging Stars club visitation. You will make Dave and me very happy

**Caller: Vernon Jones**

**Cuer: Karen Gloodt.**

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

**Location: Swingtime Center 5100 South East Loop 820 Fort Worth**

**Note: Don't feel you want to drive to the Swingtime Center, try Carpooling, It's fun!**

## **Saturday, February 22 – Tri City Promenaders – Celtic Fling Dance Official Visitation – Banner Raid**

Ok, I will admit that I am not sure what a Celtic Fling is or what the attire would be, but I am sure that Square dance attire is perfectly fine for a fling of any sort. I am also very sure that the dance will be fun to attend. Dancing will be first class with Ray calling and Chris cueing. Please come and help us capture their Banner.

**Caller: Ray Savell**

**Cuer: Chris Farabaugh**

**Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus Dancing 7:30, Grand March 8:00**

**Location: Brookside Center, 1244 Brookside Dr., Hurst**

## **Friday, February 28 – Swinging Stars – 4<sup>th</sup> Friday Night Dance**

We hope to see many of our dancing friends that may have been unable to attend dances because of various different reasons. We welcome you back.

**Caller: Bobby Willis**

**Cuer: Walter Brewer**

**Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus Tip 7:20, Workshop 7:40, Grand March 8:00**

**Location: Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano**

## **Saturday, February 29 – Kissin Kuzzins – 47<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance Official Visitation and Banner Retrieval      Leap into Spring**

We hope you will plan to attend this special Anniversary Dance for the Kissin Kuzzins. They have chosen to have it at the **Swingtime Center**. They will be having a very special caller. He is well known thru out the square dancing community here and nationally. He is in my opinion, the smoothest caller and I have always thought it is almost impossible to mess up when he calls. Not only are they having this great caller they have their own well-known cuer. Please make it an effort to make the trip to the Swingtime Center. If you would like to car pool let us know if you would be willing to drive or if you are looking to ride with someone. We will make a list of those that would like to carpool.

**Guest Caller: Darryl Lipscomb**

**Cuer: JL Pelton**

**Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus Dancing 7:30, Grand March 8:00**

**Location: Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820/Anglin Dr., Fort Worth**

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

### **Wednesday February 19 – Swinging Stars Ladies Luncheon**

Debbie Reid has graciously volunteered to host the February Ladies Luncheon. The Ladies Luncheon is on Wednesday Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 at **Torchey's Tacos**, 300 W Campbell Rd #160, Richardson, TX. Please Reply to Debbie Reid by Feb 17<sup>th</sup> to give the restaurant ample time to set up for us. Reply to Debbie at [debbie.r.reid@gmail.com](mailto:debbie.r.reid@gmail.com) or 214-669 5723.

### **Sunday February 16 – Jan Bergesen's Dance**

This will be her second dance to be certified to advance from a Caller Trainee to a Caller. Please come and support her.

**Time: 6:00 to 8:00**

**Location: Grace Church 2005 Estates Parkway Lucas, Texas**

**Directions: From Central Expressway, go east on McDermott, pass Highway 5 at the light and continue on Main St. thru Allen, Pass Angel Parkway and you will be in Lucas. Go about 0.7 miles and you will see the Grace Church on the right side of the road. Enter the church through the back.**

**Admission: Only \$5 per couple!**

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### **Round Dance Lessons Schedule**

JL and Linda Pelton have firmed up their class schedules for round dance lessons and wanted to share this early information with the club. Note that they are running two classes starting March 28 -- Intermediate Waltz and Beginning Jive.

#### **Intermediate Waltz**

Requires a beginning Waltz class as a prerequisite.

Saturdays 11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

March 28 through May 23

**Beginning Jive (also called Swing)**

Saturdays 1:45 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

March 28 through May 23

**Beginning Rumba and Cha Cha** will be offered in the summer with a follow-on class of Intermediate Rumba and Cha Cha in the Fall.

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## 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 Alex & Vanessa Nestor. Please do not buy supplies without first checking with the Nestors (469.235.2971) or [1stvp@swingingstars.org](mailto: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](mailto:markt.karenl@gmail.com) until March 1, 2020.

After March 1 contact Rick Pehrson (972-837-6999 or [patrick33081@verizon.net](mailto:patrick33081@verizon.net)).

**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](mailto:markt.karenl@gmail.com) of the change.

February 14 – **See**, Burson, Kilejian, Pelton (Theme – *Be My Valentine*)

February 28 – **Mosher**, Amy, Chen, Feldman

March 13 – **Trujillo**, Deluke, Edwards, Jung (Theme – March Madness)

March 27 – **Hamm**, Goebel, Harris, Stewart

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## Sunshine information

**From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter**

Valentine's day is just around the corner. Dinners, flowers, cards and gifts are great but telling those who are important to you that you love them is the greatest gift of all.

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## Special dates to put on your calendar

Friday May 29, 2020 – Swinging Stars 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance

Theme “Swinging Stars Anniversary Ball”

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## 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 [harris0907@sbcglobal.net](mailto:harris0907@sbcglobal.net) or 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.

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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 Flyer below**



# Be My Valentine

Feb 14, 2020

## Swinging Stars

Shepard Elementary School  
1000 Wilson Dr. Plano, TX

Caller: Bobby Willis  
Cuer: Walter Brewer



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Honey Pot  
Banners  
Refreshments

Early Rounds 7:00 pm  
Plus Tip: 7:20 pm  
Workshop: 7:40 pm  
Grand March: 8:00 pm



Dancers under 18 free with paying adults.  
We dance every 2nd and 4th Friday.  
For more info: [president@swingingstars.org](mailto:president@swingingstars.org)  
[www.swingingstars.org](http://www.swingingstars.org)