

Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for February 10th, 2019

Message from David and Peggy Edwards

Hello, to all club members. This is our first newsletter as Presidents of the Swinging Stars. We would like to thank Dave and Lorraine Burson for the outstanding job they did as Presidents of the Swinging Stars. We also know they will be a tough act to follow, and we want to do all we can to uphold the high standards the Swinging Stars are known for. Part of our responsibilities will be to help grow the club's membership as well as promote the club within the square-dancing community.

It's our honor to serve the Swinging Stars as your next Presidents.

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 ensure 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 Nejd**

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 Nejd

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

NORTEX Quarterly Meeting

Date: Sunday, 17Feb19

Time: 2:00PM

Location: Swingtime Center

5100 SE Loop 820, Ft. Worth

Note: All square and round dancers are welcome to attend.

Friday, Feb 15th – Kissin Kuzzins

46th Anniversary Dance See ad on page 9 February Promenade.

Saturday, Feb 16th – Rebel Rousers DD Black & White Ball

See ad on page 9 February Promenade.

2nd VP Report

From Tom and Vicki Evanto

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
Circle I	02/09/19

* * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * *

Plus 4s – February 6th

Thank you to 11 Swinging Stars that attended the Plus-4's square dance on Wed, Feb 6th. The normal plus dance was preceded by an A2 square dance to provide some additional floor time to the dancers that have recently been taught the A2 calls. Attendees: P Amy, Bergesen, J Duncan (Assoc), T Evanto, Goebel, Kilejian, Stewart.

Model A's – February 7th

Thank you to 10 Swinging Stars that attended the Model-A's weekly Thursday evening dance. Wayne Baldwin handled the calling duties for most tips and Quiz called a couple of tips. Attendees: P Amy, Bergesen, Bondi, Evanto, Stewart.

Swinging Stars - February 8

We had 32 visitors and 68 Swinging Stars attending.

Dixie Chainers – February 9th

P. Amy, Bursons, Evanto, M. Hardin, Kilejians, Sees

* * * Future Events * * *

Plus 4s

Date: Wednesday, 20Feb19
Caller: Charles Quisenberry
Time: PL - 7:30PM
Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

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

Additional information

The Texas Stampede dance has been canceled this year.

Log Cabin Swingers are having a special square dance:

Date: Sunday, 24Feb19

Caller: Tony Oxendine (National and International Caller)

Time: 3:00PM – 5:00PM

Location: Promenade Hall, 1210 N. Tool Dr, Hwy 274, Tool, TX

Note: Mainstream and Plus

Other Events:

*****Change in Ladies Luncheon Schedule*****

From February 14.

Date- February 21

Time- 11:30

Location- Mi Cocina

5400 Nebraska Furniture Mart Drive

The Colony, TX

RSVP by February 19

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 22 – **Dennison**, Gifford, Lassiter, NejdI (Theme - Mardi Gras)

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

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

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

Sent Tuesday, February 5th.

Bob Estep reports that he is doing as well as can be expected 2.5 months after his bone marrow transplant. He had a significant cough that did not allow him to sleep. He also experienced swelling in both feet with large blisters that made it difficult to walk. The swelling has decreased over the past week. He also had to use a cane for 4 weeks. The major concern is that the transplant wipes out all immune defenses including childhood vaccinations, and it is flu season. The vaccinations cannot be started until a year after the transplant. Therefore, he is quarantined at home and cannot have visitors. He says that, except for total lack of energy, he feels pretty good. He says thanks to everyone for your thoughts and prayers. "No question the prayers are why I am doing as well as I am". Bob's phone number is 972-679-8572. You can send a card to Bob and Kathy @ 3249 Sailmaker Plano, Texas 75023.

Peggy Pharr says that Deckard is feeling lots better. Due to the cold weather they have not gone dancing but they hope to be back in the swing of things before long. They miss seeing all of the club members.

At a Frisco retired school personnel meeting this morning, I visited with Annette Smith who is a former Swinging Stars member. She told me that Jeff Stuart recently had surgery and he is doing well. I sent a card today.

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

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Swinging Stars Presidents

Email: president@swingingstars.org

Phone: 469-865-4162

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



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