Newsletter for February 23, 2020

Message from Presidents Doug and Jan Bergesen

Thanks to everyone who came to my two Jan dances. You're support means so much to me. Besides that, you helped make it a ton of fun!

Doug and Jan Bergesen

Swinging Stars 1st Quarter Dues are PAST Due!

Just a friendly reminder, your 2020 1st 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

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

Please make check PAYABLE TO: Swinging Stars.

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 1st Quarter or 2nd 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 or at 214-790-3908.

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
Dixie Chainers	12/14/2019
Texas Reelers	1/17/2020
Rebel Rousers	1/18/2020

Swinging Stars Banners Out

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

* * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * *

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

Many thanks to Linda Harris for this short report from the Tri City Promenaders. We were the only Swinging Star couple there. Nice dance though.

* * * COMING EVENTS * * *

Friday, February 28 – Swinging Stars – 4th 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 – 47th 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

Friday March 6 - Triangle square - Mardi Gras 2020 - Banner Raid

Join the Triangle Squares for a marvelous night of fun.

Caller/Cuer: Toby Thomason

Time: Plus Tip 7:00, Grand March, 7:30, Food, 2nd Tip Plus, Rounds Main

Stream, and Line dancing.

Location: Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 1424 Stuart Road, Denton, TX.

Saturday, March 7 – Stone Steppers – 62nd Anniversary Dance Official Visitation – Two Signature Dance Barn Dance

This is a fun Dance everyone should be able to attend it is close by. From the ad on Page 14 of the March Promenade, it looks like more or less casual attire. They are having a great Caller and Cuer.

Guest Caller: Vernon Jones Club Caller: Bill Hinkley Cuer Christine Hixson

Time: ?? Not listed in the ad on Page 14 of the Mach Promenade

Location: Please notice the change in location and change of night for this dance. This dance will be at the St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 1210 W. Beltline Road, Richardson TX.

Saturday, March 14 – Diamond Jubileers – 59th Anniversary Dance Official Visitation – Banner Raid – 2 Signature dance Mardi Gras Celebration

What a fun time to party. The Diamond Jubileers are known for putting on a fun dance for their Mardi Gras dance. The Stars love attending this dance and dressing up in our finest Mardi Gras costumes or you may choose to wear square dance attire. They are having 2 of our favorite callers and the best well-known cuer in this part of the country. Please come and help the Swinging Stars capture the banner from the Diamond Jubilees.

Guest Caller: Toby Thomason

Club Caller: Ray Savell Cuer: Karen Gloodt

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

Location: Swingtime Center 5100 E. Loop 820 at Anglin Fort Worth Texas

Note: A King and Queen will be selected from the guests. Be there, you may be the

king or queen for the night.

* * * OTHER EVENTS * * *

March 18 - Swinging Stars Ladies Luncheon

Mary Hardin will host the March Luncheon. I don't have all the details but it will be at the Longhorn Steak House on Central Expressway in Plano. More info to come in the next newsletter.

Sunday March 22 – NORTEX & NTCA BENEFIT DANCE DFW USO AND PATRIOT PAWS

This is an important dance. By attending you will show your support for the active duty military and wounded veterans that are defending and have defended our great country. See the ad on the cover of the March Promenade for more details.

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.

Refreshment Duty Information

From Rick Pehrson (Rookie Refreshment Scheduler)

Many thanks to Mark and Karen Hawkins for easing the transition.

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. If you have additional questions, call or text Rick Pehrson (972-837-6999) or email Rick at 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 of the change.

February 28 – **Mosher**, Amy, Feldman, Nestor March 13 – **Trujillo**, Deluke, Edwards, Jung (Theme – March Madness) March 27 – **Hamm**, Goebel, Harris, Stewart April 10 – **Pitts**, Gulickson, Hardin, Bushell

April 24 - Perrott, Colter, Estep, Morris

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Donita See as she recovers from hip surgery last Monday. Ron reports "that she was discharged that afternoon. She has impressed her nurses and physical therapists by how quickly she has recovered. I credit that to how active we have been in square dancing. We are both anxious to get back on the dance floor--but it will probably be about 6 weeks before the doctor will allow it. We will visit as soon as we are able." We will be glad to welcome Donita and Ron back to the dance floor as soon as they are ready to dance.

Special dates to put on your calendar

Sunday May 3, 2020, 4:00 PM – Swinging Stars General Meeting – Spring Creek BBQ, Richardson Friday May 29, 2020 – Swinging Stars 45th Anniversary Dance

Theme "Swinging Stars Anniversary Ball"

Friday October 23, 2020 – Swinging Stars Double Deal Dance

Friday December 4, 2020 - Swinging Stars Annual Holiday Party - Haggard Party Barn

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.

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 Anything sent to that email address will go to the **President of the Swinging Stars** and to the **Newsletter Editor** (Dave Burson).

Dave Burson Newsletter Editor Swinging Stars

Email: newsletter editor@swingingstars.org

Phone: 972-396-0941

See Flyer below



Swinging Stars



Caller:

Bobby Willis

Friday, March 13, 2020 Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano, TX

Cuer:

Walter Brewer

Square Dance Attire OR
If you Show Your Team
Spirit By Wearing
Your Favorite Team
Shirt, you get a free
Honey Pot Ticket



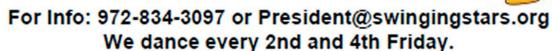
Early Rounds 7:00

Plus Tip 7:20

Workshop 7:40

Grand March 8:00

Honey Pot



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Dancers Under 18 Free When Accompanied By A Paying Adult

