

Newsletter for March 6, 2022

Message from Presidents Russ and Anne Nejdl

Yes, spring is in the air, but I understand we can expect rain and some freezing temperatures next week. You all can stay warm by attending our club dance on Friday when Deborah Carroll-Jones helps us celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Wearing the color green is totally acceptable. We know Deborah will really bring the fun to the dance. We hope you will stay afterwards for our after party in the hospitality room. I forgot to mention in last week's newsletter that we had two couples receive their Friendship Visitation awards at our dance. Doug and Jan Bergesen received their 125 visitation award and Ron and Donita See received their 1000 award. We are really proud of you.

The Swinging Stars nominating committee has formed and will be speaking to club members so we may present a slate of officers to the club at the May club meeting. The new officers would assume leadership positions on August 1st. Please consider stepping up to help the club. We cannot have a club without you.

Mike Bramlett and the Rebel Rousers will be hosting mainstream lessons at the Richardson Senior Center on Saturdays at 9 am. Classes start on April 9th and end May 23rd. If you know of anyone who would like to take lessons, let us know and we will be sure to send angels to the class. Please see page 55 of the March Promenade. Speaking of lessons, we have been in contact with Liberty Rec. Center about pursuing lessons this summer. Our classes will be in the Plano Parks and Rec. catalogue. We will be looking for a teacher to teach this class.

Anne and Russ Nejdl

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.

Club	Date Captured
T Square Gadabouts	4/19/2019
Log Cabin Swingers	5/04/2019
Triangle Squares	1/29/2022
Dixie Chainers	2/05/2022
Kissin Kuzzins	2/18/2022
Texas Reelers	3/04/2022

Swinging Stars Banners Out

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Club	Date Captured
Rebel Rousers	2/25/2022

Most NORTEX clubs have resumed dancing. Most clubs that have resumed dancing have ads in the *Promenade*. To reach the March *Promenade*, click here: www.new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2022-03-Promenade.pdf

* * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * *

Official Visitations --Friday, March 4 -- Texas Reelers -- D/D Dance -- Banner Raid

We Captured the Texas Reelers Banner. We had 10 Swinging Stars attending. Deborah Carroll-Jones did an excellent job calling tunes from her favorite movies. I was told that Chris cued several higher level Rounds since there were several dancers that could do higher level rounds. There were 39 visitor, 23 Texas Reelers. I counted 7 squares in the first tip and at times there were 10 couples round dancing. Thank you to these Swinging Stars for supporting our club visitation: Bursons, Edwards, Hamms, Harrises, and Sees. Since this was a Double Deal Dance we received 2 signatures toward our 1040 Club Visitation award patch.

Of Interest Visitation

Saturday, March 5 -- Dixie Chainers -- Mardi Gras Madness

Six Swinging Stars members supported our visitation to the Dixie Chainers Dance. Fun was had by all. There were a total of 38 dancers present, with 24 Guests and 10 Dixie Chainers. It is always fun to stay to the end of the dance, because Bill calls a Plus Tip after the last Mainstream tip. There were few Round dancers on the floor, but Chris manages to liven up the fun when he cues a Line Dance. Thank you to: Bursons, Edwards, and Sees for attending. We also collected another signature toward the 1049 Club Visitation Award Patch.

*** COMMING EVENTS ***

Club Dance

Friday March 11 -- Swinging Stars-- St. Patrick's Day Dance

Where: Elk's Lodge-Plano, 1111 Jupiter Rd #105B Plano
Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Sq. Work Shop7:30, Grand March 8:00
Guest Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones w/ Jon Jones
Cuer: JL Pelton
Note: Bring your own Water and Snacks. Stay for the after party in out hospitality Room.

Official Visitation -- Banner Raid -- Wear Blue Saturday, March 12 -- Circle I -- Let's Go Fly A Kite

Where: Senter Park East, 1000 Senter Road, Irving
Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Grand March 8:00
Caller: Ray Savell
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Note: Coffee and Water Provided For more info see page 20 of the March Promenade

Of Interest Visitation -- For Plus Dancers Wednesday, March 16 -- Plus 4's Dance -- Regular dance

This message from Ed Ferguson

We have lost the church for the dance on the first Wednesday Have moved the date to the third Wednesday which is the 16th Thanks Ed

Sense the last months dance was cancelled, this will actually be the first dance that Toby Thomason will be the club caller. If you are a Plus dancer come out and enjoy the fun.

Where: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church. 12411 Templeton Trail, Farmers Branch Time: 7:00 to 9:00 Caller: Toby Thomason

Note: Bring your own water and snacks.

Of Interest Visitation

Friday, March 18 -- Triangle Squares -- Saint Patrick's Dance

Where: First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 1424 Stuart Lane, Denton
Time: Plus 7:00, 7:30, Square Dance 7:30-9:00
Guest Caller: Danny Blagg
Note: Temp checks at the door, water, coffee, .snacks provided For more info see page 39 in the March Promenade

Official Visitation -- Banner Raid

Saturday, March 19 -- Trail Blazers-- St. Patrick's Day Dance

Where: Swingtime Center, 5100 S.E. Loop820, Ft. Worth
Times: SRD workshop 6:10 (Cha, Rumba, & Waltz), Early Rounds 6:30, Work Shop 7:00, Grand March 8:00
Guest Caller: Joey Duhamel
Club Cuer: Karen Gloodt
Note: Water, Coffee, light snacks provided. For more info see page 41 of the March Promenade.

Ladies Luncheon

Tuesday, March 22 -- Hosted by Anne Nejdl

Anne has chosen The Blue Goose. She was going to choose Bread Winners, but they are not open on Tuesdays. The luncheon will be on Tuesday, March 22nd at 11 am. The Blue goose is located in Plano at 4757 W. Park in Berkley Square (same shopping center that the Movie Studio Grill is in). This local cantina specializes in mesquite-grilled Tex-Mex fare. Please respond to Anne Nejdl by Sunday, March 20th so we can get a table adequate to seat all of us. Her email address is: <u>yo red@verizon.net</u>. There is an underscore between yo and red. Here the link to the extensive menu: <u>www.bluegoosecantina.com/menu</u>

Club Dance

Friday March 25 -- Swinging Stars - March Madness

Where: Elk's Lodge-Plano, 1111 Jupiter Rd #105B Plano
Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Sq. Work Shop7:30, Grand March 8:00
Guest Caller: Jan Bergesen
Cuer: JL Pelton
Note: Bring your own Water and Snacks. Stay for the after party in out hospitality Room.
For more info see page 19 of the March Promenade.

Official Visitations -- D/D Dance -- Banner Raid Saturday, March 26 -- Tri City Promenaders -- Flamingo Fling Dance

Where: Brookside Center, 1244 Brookside Dr. Hurst
Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus Dancing7:30, Grand March 8:00
Caller: Ray Savell
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Note: Light snacks provided. For more info see page 43 of the March Promenade.

Of Interest Visitation -- For Round Dancers Sunday, March 27 -- Harvest Holiday -- Spring Fun Rounds.

An afternoon of Round Dancing Phase 2,3, and 4.

Where: Swingtime Center, 5100 S.E. Loop 820, Ft. Worth

Time: 2:00 to 5:00

Cuers: Area Round Dance Instructors and Guest Cuers.

Note: This was not listed in the list of advertised dances in the promenade. Lucy Hamm sent me this information I think you could contact her.

* * * OTHER EVENTS * * *

None

Sunshine information From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

Lovely weather in Texas is expected as well as some spring storms. We can be thankful we live in the US and we should never take our freedoms for granted.

Music is in the air with several square dances all weekend. Frisco Theater has been presenting a 7 women music and dance program called Jersey Girls with the music of Jerry Herman (Hello Dolly etc): PBS has a program dedicated to all of the pop music of 1950's; a program dedicated to the folk music of the 1960's (Peter Paul and Mary, the Kingston Trio, the Brothers Four and many more) and a musical program dedicated to music of Lerner and Lowe (My Fair Lady, Camelot and others) For a more current offering, the new version of West Side Story out in theaters is coming to HBO next week.

For some college basketball fans, the Big 12 tournament starts March 9th. For even more basketball fans, "March Madness" starts March 15th.

Please put your dance calendar on your refrigerator or as in our case on the top layer of papers on our living room table.

Special dates to put on your calendar

Saturday, April 30, 2022, Swinging Stars 47th Anniversary Dance. Friday, October 14, 2022 Swinging Stars Double Deal Dance. Friday, October 28, 2022, NTCA Caller's Cavalcade Saturday, October 29, 2022, NORTEX 2022 Round-Up

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: <u>newsletter_editor@swingingstars.org</u> Anything sent to that email address will go to the **President of the Swinging Stars** and to the **Newsletter Editor** (Dave Burson).

See Flyers below

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