



# Swinging Stars

## Square and Round Dance Club

**Newsletter for March 8, 2020**

### Message from Presidents

**Doug and Jan Bergesen**

As a board, we are looking for alternate places to meet for swinging Stars. If you know of a place near you that would be good, and would cost less than \$284 a night, please tell someone on the board.

Thanks!

Doug and Jan Bergesen

### 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
Dixie Chainers	12/14/2019
Texas Reelers	1/17/2020
Rebel Rousers	1/18/2020
Kissin Kuzzins	2/29/2020

#### Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Lone Star Solos	1/24/2020

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

#### Friday March 6 – Triangle Square – Mardi Gras 2020 – Banner Raid

This message is very short. There was some very festive Mardi Gras attire that helped to create a fun atmosphere for dancing. We enjoyed dancing with the 18 other visitors and the Triangle squares 30 members. Thank you to the Stewarts for visiting with Dave and myself.

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

The dance Saturday night was a good and fun dance at the Stone Steppers. I am told that there were 18 squares in the Grand March. The Swinging Stars were shining brightly with 27 members and if we counted the Willises we would have had 30. We collected 2 more signatures toward our 980 Club visitation Patch. No banner, because the Stone Steppers dance on the same nights we do. Hopefully they will come to visit us in the near future, perhaps to our Anniversary Dance. Thank you to all these members for attending: P. Amy, Bergesens, Bursons, Edwards, T. Evanto, Gulicksons, Hamms, Harrisers, Kilejians, Nejdls, Nestors, Peltons, Reids, Stewarts, Willises and C, Wolfe.

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

### **Friday, March 13 – Swinging Stars – March Madness Theme Dance.**

At the S/S March Madness Dance wear your favorite basketball team's shirt or display your favorite basketball team in some way and receive 1 (one) free Honey Pot ticket.

**Caller: Bobby Willis**

**Cuer: Walter Brewer**

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

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

### **Saturday, March 14 – Diamond Jubileers – 59<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance Mardi Gras Official Visitation – Banner Raid – 2 Signature dance**

Mardi Gras, 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 a banner from the Diamond Jubilees.

**Guest Caller: Toby Thomason**

**Club Caller: Ray Savell**

**Cuer: Karen Gloodt**

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

**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.**

### **Friday, March 20 – Texas Reelers – Luck O' the Irish**

Join us to celebrate the Luck O' the Irish, even if you are not Irish. We know that Deborah Carroll-Jones will have a good line up of tunes with an Irish flair.

**Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones & Jon Jones**

**Cuer: Chris Farabaugh**

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

**Location: Huffhines Recreation Center, 200 N Plano Rd. Richardson, TX**

**Notice the change of venue and change of time.**

### **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.

**Caller and Cuers NTCA callers and cuers**

**Time: 4:00 to 5:00 New Dancer Dance**

**5:00 to 6:00 Early Rounds**

**6:00 to 6:30 Patriot Paws Demonstration**

**6:30 to 8:30 Squares and Rounds**

**Notice: There will be a Silent Auction and a Tin Can Auction**

### **Friday, March 27 – 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: 7:00 Early Rounds, 7:20 Plus Tip, 7:40 Workshop, 8:00 Grand March**

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

## **Saturday, March 28 – Tri City Promenaders – All Gospel Singing Calls Official Visitation and Double Deal Dance**

This is an exceptionally enjoyable time for most of us that love the gospel songs for square dancing. Ray Savell is really good at calling to these tunes.

**Caller: Ray Savell**

**Cuer: Chris Farabaugh**

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

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

## **Sunday, March 29 – Harvest Holiday – Spring Fun Rounds Dance of Interest for the Round Dancers**

An afternoon of Fun round Dancing with Phases 2, 3, and 4.

**Cueing: Area Round Dance instructors.**

**Time: 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.**

**Location: Swingtime Center, 5100 S. E. Loop 820 Fort Worth TX.**

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

### **March 18 – Swinging Stars Ladies Luncheon**

Mary Hardin will be hosting the March Luncheon. Our Luncheon will be at the Longhorn Steak House 3421 N. Central Expressway in Plano at 11:30. Longhorn Steak House is a casual steakhouse chain known for grilled beef & other American dishes in a ranch-style space. Please reply to Mary by March 17<sup>th</sup> at [mrhardin39@gmail.com](mailto:mrhardin39@gmail.com) or 972-517-8691 to be counted in on the fun. You can check out their menu by going to [www.longhornsteakhouse.com](http://www.longhornsteakhouse.com). and look for the Lunch menu. Hope to see you there!

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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 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 metropollex.

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 Rick Pehrson (972-837-6999) or email Rick at [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 Rick at [patrick33081@verizon.net](mailto:patrick33081@verizon.net) of the change.

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 (Theme – Texas Day)

May 8 – **Cave**, Lassiter, Nejd, Zhang

May 29 – **Anniversary Dance** (All Members participate)

June 12 – **Dennison**, Reid, Evanto, Holland

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## Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

The Swinging Stars members will want to keep Charles Quisenberry (one of our favorite callers) and his wife Toni in our prayers and thoughts. "Quiz", as we fondly call him, will be having surgery at Texas Oncology Hospital on Monday. The surgery is expected to be non-invasive relatively speaking as the cancer is a little one. We hope to see him and Toni back on the square dance floors soon. If you would like to send a card, please send it to 3232 San Jacinto Dallas, Texas 75204.

We send our thoughts and prayers out to former Swinging Stars member Todd Denton who has been diagnosed with lymphoma in her chest and abdomen. MD Anderson medical personnel indicate this is a very treatable cancer. She will be having chemotherapy with six treatments each about a month apart. The doctor told her that she will not lose her hair and should feel better after the first round. (The previous information came from Vickie Bullock.) Todd went home from the hospital on Monday March 2<sup>nd</sup> and felt better and with no pain. She would appreciate your prayers. If you wish to send cards to Todd, her address is 22103 Marshaven Way, Richmond, Texas 77407. (previous information from Anne Nejd ) I knew her as "the Clinique lady" first and then as part of the 3 musketeers of the Swinging Stars (Todd, Vickie Bullock and Anne Nejd).

Bill Perrott continues to recover nicely from his surgery. He expects to be able to walk with a cane by the end of March. Hopefully he and Wendy can drop by for a visit in April.

Jeanne and Peter Rickert are happy to announce they have their first granddaughter, Josephine Marie (Josie) who was born on February 23<sup>rd</sup> last month. Mom and baby are doing very well and the proud grandparents are very happy.

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## 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 45<sup>th</sup> 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

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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**

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**See Flyer below**





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## MARCH MADNESS



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



For Info: 972-834-3097 or [President@swingingstars.org](mailto:President@swingingstars.org)

We dance every 2nd and 4th Friday.

Visit our Web Site: [www.swingingstars.org](http://www.swingingstars.org)

Dancers Under 18 Free When Accompanied By A Paying Adult



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