

# Newsletter for April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018

## Message from the President

**Dave and Lorraine Burson** 

Happy Easter! Dave and I wish you and your family a blessed day as we proclaim the resurrection of Jesus. We wish you the very best and hope that you are able to spend this Easter Sunday celebrating and sharing traditions with your loved ones.

I know we all have our own beliefs and have our family gatherings to celebrate either Passover or Easter. For our family it is Easter. If yours is Passover, We wish you a Happy Passover.

This has been a very busy weekend for Square dancing, with 2 Anniversary Dances one close by and one at quite a distance. These 2 dances were well attended by the Swinging Stars and we captured both the club's visited banners as well as retrieving ours. Be sure to read the details in the 2nd Vice President's Report

## **Happening This Week**

Wednesday, April 4th - Plus 4s -

Charles Quisenberry – 7:30 PM Plus

Friday, April 6th - Texas Reelers

Deborah Carroll-Jones, Jon Jones & Chris Farabaugh

7:00 PM Early Rounds - 8:00 PM Grand March

Saturday, April 7th - Circle I

Ray Savell, Toby Thomason & Chris Farabaugh

7:00 PM Early Rounds - 7:30 PM Plus - 8:00 PM Grand March

## 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Report

#### From Ron and Donita See

April will bring several more Anniversary dances – which always provide opportunities for great dancing and fellowship.

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
Cotton Pickin' Squares	25. Mar. 2017
Log Cabin Swingers	6. May. 2017
Dixie Chainers	26. Aug. 2017
Triangle Squares	30. Sep. 2017
Kissin' Kuzzins	30. Mar. 2018
Tri-City Promenaders	31. Mar. 2018

#### **Swinging Stars Banners Out**

Club	Date Captured
Ft Worth Squares	29. Jul. 2017
Circle I	23. Mar. 2018
Rebel Rousers	23. Mar. 2018
Texas Reelers	23. Mar. 2018

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

## Kissin' Kuzzins, Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>

Thirty-two (32) Swinging Stars attended the Kissin' Kuzzins Anniversary dance in Garland Friday evening retrieving our banner and capturing theirs. Squares were called by Wayne Baldwin and Paul Cote, and rounds were cued by JL Pelton. The theme of the dance was "Come Home with the Kuzzins". At the end of the dance Paul Cote called a couple of requests including his popular rendition of "More than a Name on a Wall". Swinging Stars in attendance were P. Amy, Bergesens, Bondis, Bursons, Edwards, Esteps, T. Evanto, Giffords, Halvorsons, Hamms, M. Hardin, Harrises, McClaskeys, Mulvins, Pitts, Sees, Stewarts and C. Wolfe.

### Tri-City Promenaders, Saturday, March 31st

Sixteen (16) Swinging Stars traveled to Swingtime Center in Fort Worth Saturday evening for the Tri-City Promenaders Anniversary dance to retrieve our banner and capture theirs. The theme of the dance was "Denim & Diamonds". Squares were called by KO Jeanes, and rounds were cued by Chris Farabaugh. The dance became a dedication to the life and love of Paul Kinsey who called for 58 years (30 years for the Tri-City Promenaders) and who passed away Friday. KO paid tribute by calling "Long Black Train" which was one of Paul's favorites. Swinging Stars in attendance were P. Amy, Bondis, Bursons, Edwards, T. Evanto, M. Hardin, McClaskeys, Pitts, Sees, and C. Wolfe.

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

#### Plus 4s

Date: Wednesday, 4Apr18
Caller: Charles Quisenberry

Time: PL - 7:30PM

Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

### Texas Reelers – Easter Bunny Hop

Date: Friday, 6Apr18

Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones, Jon Jones

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

Time: ER - 7:00PM / GM – 8:00PM Location: Richardson Senior Center

820 W Arapaho, Richardson

Color: Purple Banner Retrieval

### Circle I – Blue Bonnet Festival

Date: Saturday, 7Apr18

Callers: Ray Savell, Toby Thomason

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

Time: ER - 7:00PM / PL - 7:30PM / GM - 8:00PM

Location: Senter Park Recreation Center

901 Senter Road, Irving

Note: Anniversary Dance, Banner retrieval

Color: Turquoise

## Swinging Stars - Friday, April 13th

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

### Dixie Chainers - 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Luau

Date: Saturday, 14Apr18

Caller: Vernon Jones, Toby Thomason

Cuer: Jack von der Heide

Time: ER/WS – 7:00PM, GM – 7:30PM Location: Farmers Branch Senior Center

14055 Dennis Lane, Farmers Branch

#### Plus 4s

Date: Wednesday, 18Apr18
Caller: Charles Quisenberry

Time: PL - 7:30PM

Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

## **T-Square Gadabouts – Under the Stars**

Date: Friday, 20Apr18

Caller: Vernon Jones, Joey Duhamel

Cuer: Karen Gloodt

Time: ER – 7:00PM, GM – 8:00PM

Location: Swingtime Center

5100 Loop 820, Fort Worth

Note: 23<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Dance

### Trailblazers - April brings a Spring Fling

Date: Saturday, 21Apr18

Caller: Bobby Willis, Jim Howard

Cuer: Jack Kenny

Time: PR - 6:30PM, ER - 7:00PM, WS - 7:30PM, GM - 8:00PM

Location: Swingtime Center

5100 Loop 820, Fort Worth

Note: 48<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance

## Swinging Stars - Friday, April 27th

Theme: Spring Fling
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: <a href="http://www.swingingstars.org">http://www.swingingstars.org</a>

Notes: Club Dance

### Stone Steppers - Diamonds & Dancing

Date: Saturday, 28Apr18
Caller: Jerry Gilbreath
Cuer: Christine Hixson

Time: ER – 7:00PM, GM – 8:00PM Location: St. Luke's Lutheran Church

1210 Beltline Road, Richardson

Note: 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance

#### Other Events:

### April 6-8, 2018 Swing Into Spring Weekend

A weekend of Plus dancing at Log Cabin Swingers in Tool, TX dancing with Jerry Story and Walter Brewer. See the flyer in the March Promenade for additional information.

### April 18, 2018 Ladies Luncheon Covino's Pasta and Pizza

The next ladies lunch is scheduled for April 18, Wednesday at 11:30. It will be held at Covino's Pasta and Pizza restaurant at 3265 Independence Parkway in Lancers Square. That is at the intersection of Parker and Independence on the southwest corner. Peggy Amy is the hostess for the April Luncheon. Contact her at <a href="mailto:amybpeggy@verizon.net">amybpeggy@verizon.net</a> or 972-6124934 by April 15<sup>th</sup> so Peggy can tell the Restaurant how many to be ready for. If you would like wine or beer you can bring your own and they will provide glasses at a modest fee. You can also check out their menu online by going to <a href="https://www.covinos.com">www.covinos.com</a>. Covino's have been in Plano since 1990.

## **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 Wal-Mart or Dollar Tree. If you need supplies contact First Vice Presidents Walt and Diana Whipple. Please do not buy supplies without first checking with the Whipples (469.737.3632). For answers to your questions about the Refreshments Committee Duties please call or text Mark (214.536.5863) or Karen Hawkins (214.537.0446). Email <a href="markt.karenl@gmail.com">markt.karenl@gmail.com</a>.

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 <a href="markt.karenl@gmail.com">markt.karenl@gmail.com</a> of the change.

April 13 – **Rickert**, Colter, Estep, Pharr

April 27 – **Covington**, Bivens, Kern, Pitts (Theme – Spring Fling)

May 11 – **Hamm**, Amy, Heintz, Trujillo

May 25 – Whipple, Deluke, Stewart, Kilejian (Theme – Patriotic Memorial Day)

June 8 – **Feldman**, Bondi, Edwards, Halverson

June 22 – **Mosher**, Bushell/Perry, Jung, Perrott (Theme – It's time for Baseball. Put me in coach!!)

## Lessons, Workshops, Easy Practice and Exhibition Dances

We thought you may be interested in some of these secessions. These were sent to us to pass along to our members in case anyone is interested in attending.

#### **Plus Dance**

Those of you interested in plus dancing, Dave Vieira is hosting All Plus Dances on Mondays **7:15-9:15** PM at the Lavon City Hall, 120 School Road, Lavon. The cost is \$5 per person.

These Monday night plus dances are an awesome way to obtain floor time and to workshop moves of which you are having trouble. (No dance April 9, April 16, and April 23)

#### **Mainstream and Plus workshops**

Circle I will be conducting Mainstream and Plus Workshops beginning February 12<sup>th</sup>. This series of Workshops are open to all Square Dancers that want a casual environment to improve their dancing skills.

Here are the Details:

Location: Woodhaven Presbyterian Church, 3650 North O'Connor RD., Irving 75062

Time: 7:00 PM

Date: February 12<sup>th</sup> and each Monday thru mid April

Caller: Ray Savell

Cost: \$5.00 per person each participating Monday

Contact: Chris Mills ccmills@tx.rr.com or 817-488-7625

#### **Square Dance Exhibition Invitation**

Calling all dancers.... We will have a Square Dance exhibition 2:00 PM on April 15th at the Frisco Heritage Museum Train Depot, 6455 Page Street, Frisco, TX. It will last about two hours and it will be in a dance format with instructional lessons for interested parties. Between tips it gives us the opportunity to visit with on-lookers and tell them about our favorite pass time. Flyers, business cards and handouts are encouraged. As in the past it is open to all clubs. No charge.

The Caller will be Richard Covington. Call Richard to let him know if you can attend.214-675-8523

## **Sunshine information**

#### From Lucy Hamm

This message was sent from Bobby Willis, President of the NTCA regarding the passing of Paul Kinsey Friday night. Paul will be greatly missed in our dance community. He was to call at the Tri City's Anniversary Dance, which was dedicated to Paul.

The memorial service celebrating the life of Paul Kinsey will be <u>April 7th</u> <u>11 a.m.</u> at the First Baptist Church of Hurst.

Swinging Stars members enjoyed the Kissin Kuzzins Anniversary dance last Friday evening. It was so nice to see Nora Creed-McClaskey there. She is improving from recent surgery, slowly but surely. We hope to see her back on the dance floor again as soon as she can.

## **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 device, 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 are17 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 <a href="https://harris0907@sbcglobal.net">harris0907@sbcglobal.net</a> 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

May 20, 2018 Swinging Stars Business Meeting
June 3, 2018 NORTEX Officer Installation and Dance
Sunday June 10<sup>th</sup> Baldwin's fish fry
Friday September 28<sup>th</sup> Swinging Stars Double Deal Dance
Friday October 19<sup>th</sup> NTCA Caller's Cavalcade
Saturday October 20<sup>th</sup> NORTEX Round-up
Friday March 29, 2019 Swinging Stars 44<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance

### Dave and Lorraine Burson Swinging Stars Presidents

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## See Flyer below



