



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for April 8th, 2018

Message from the President

Dave and Lorraine Burson

The Nejd's are the Chairman for the 2019 Anniversary Dance. Last year when they were president of the club they had planned to have the 2019 Anniversary dance on March 29th, a fifth Friday with the intent of having the dance at the Shepard Elementary School. After the 2018 Anniversary dance Anne decided that we should have the 2019 Anniversary dance at a larger place, because the school was very crowded and ask if I would check out getting the All Saints Church venue for the dance. I contacted the church and we cannot have our Anniversary dance on the March 29th at the church because it is during Lent and the church has events every Friday night. The scheduler at the church ask if we would consider having the dance on a 5th Saturday, March 30th when the church would be available for us to Rent. Here is some information that you all need to know.(1) I have contacted Paul Cote to see if he would be willing to change the date on his contract from March 29, 2019 to the March 30th 2019 date. He is willing to do so. (2)The total Rent for the church is the same as always \$670 for the two rooms, with set up time and cleanup time. (3) Anne wants to bring back the tin can auction to help raise money to help pay for the cost of the hall. (4)More people are likely to come to the church in Dallas than come to Plano, we also would not be competing with the clubs that dance on the same Friday nights that we do., I am totally in favor of this and hope you all will agree. **We will be having a short business meeting after the dance on April 13th to discuss and vote on this mater.** The reason we need to have the meeting this soon is because we need to get the date reserved on the NORTEX calendar before another club comes along and reserves the date. I am sure some of you probably have questions please call me. Maybe I could explain it better on the phone.

Message from the Treasurer

Charlie and Linda Harris

Dues Are Due!

Your 2018 second quarter dues were due as of April 1st, 2018.

You can Pay:

- 1 Quarter = 45.00 per couple
- 2 Quarters = 90.00 per couple
- 3 Quarters = 135.00 per couple
- 4 Quarters - 180.00 per couple

Please send check PAYABLE TO Swinging Stars.

Charlie and Linda Harris
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Happening This Week

Friday, April 13th – **Swinging Stars**

Wayne Baldwin & Walter Brewer

7:00 PM Workshop – 7:45 PM Plus - 8:00 PM Grand March

Saturday, April 14th – **Dixie Chainers** – **57th Annual Luau**

Vernon Jones, Toby Thomason & Jack von der Heide

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

2nd VP Report

From Ron and Donita See

I hope everyone survived the severe thunderstorms and cold weather over the weekend. This week brings our club dance and a traditional favorite dance at the Dixie Chainers. Hope to see you all in a square.

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
Rebel Rousers	23. Mar. 2018

*** EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK ***

Plus 4s, Wednesday, April 4th

Fourteen (14) Swinging Stars visited Plus 4s Wednesday evening. Squares were called by the club caller Charles Quisenberry ("Quiz"). Quiz called a great dance (and Toni was back !) by challenging us to some great DBD moves including Track Two and Spin Change and Exchange the Gears. Swinging Stars in attendance were P. Amy, Bergesens, Bondis, Bursons, J. Duncan, T. Evanto, M. Hardin, Sees, and the Stewarts.

Texas Reelers, Friday, April 6th

There were 10 Swinging Stars at the Texas Reelers Easter Bunny Hop dance Friday night - barely enough to retrieve our banner and we did it. Chris Farabaugh cued a bevy of fun early rounds and continued the good round dancing between the square dancing tips. Deborah Carroll Jones led the grand march with the bunny hop and called entertaining mainstream/plus squares. Jon joined Deborah on one of the tips. This dance was reported on by Bob and Terri Pitts. The Swinging Stars who attended were: the Edwards, Estes, T. Evanto, HARRISES, Pitts, and C. Wolfe.

Circle I, Saturday, April 7th

We had 10 Swinging Stars at the Circle I Bluebonnet Festival anniversary dance Saturday night. Again, we were just able to retrieve our banner. Chris Farabaugh cued the dance evening and included some very fun dancing tunes for early rounds and between tips. Club caller, Ray Savell, and guest caller, Toby Thomason, truly entertained the dancers opening with 30 minutes of high performance plus followed by energetic and significantly enjoyable mainstream and plus tips the rest of the night. This was a well attended fun dance and Circle I did an awesome job of hosting. Terri and Bob Pitts scribed this dance report. The Swinging Stars attending were: the Bondis, Edwards, T. Evanto, Harrises, Pitts, and C. Wolfe.

Log Cabin Swingers, Friday, April 6th – Sunday, April 8th

There were 8 Swinging Stars who attended the Swing Into Spring Jerry Story Plus Weekend dance in Tool. Jerry Story was the featured caller and Walter Brewer was the cuer. Jerry challenged the dancers with some familiar calls but with a twist or from a different position. Some of the more memorable were: ½ (or 1 ½) scoot back, Triple Neighbor, Swing Through 1 ¼, Put Centers Out, and my favorite was a Ping Pong Circulate from a squared set without everyone crashing together in the middle of the square. It was also great to hear Walter cuing again after his absence. The Swinging Stars attending were: P. Amy, Bergesens, Bursons, M. Hardin, and the Sees.

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Swinging Stars – Friday, April 13th

Caller: Wayne Baldwin
Cuer: Walter Brewer
Time: WS – 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 – 57th 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: 23rd 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: 48th 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: <http://www.swingingstars.org>
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: 60th Anniversary Dance

Other Events:

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 amybpeggy@verizon.net or 972-6124934 by April 15th 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 www.covinos.com. 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 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 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 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.

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)**

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

I have not heard of any illnesses or good news to print.

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 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

May 20, 2018 Swinging Stars Business Meeting

June 3, 2018 NORTEX Officer Installation and Dance

Sunday June 10th Baldwin's fish fry

Friday September 28th Swinging Stars Double Deal Dance

Friday October 19th NTCA Caller's Cavalcade

Saturday October 20th NORTEX Round-up

Friday March 29, 2019 Swinging Stars 44th Anniversary Dance

Dave and Lorraine Burson

Swinging Stars Presidents

Email: president@swingingstars.org

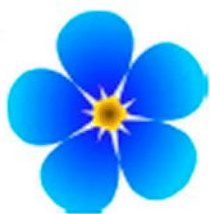
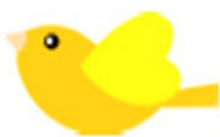
Phone: 972-396-0941

See Flyer below





Swinging Stars



SPRING FLING

April 27, 2018

*Honey Pot
Fun Dancing*

Solos Board

*BANNERS
Refreshments*

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: Walter Brewer



Early Rounds: 7:00

Plus Tip: 7:45

Grand March 8:00

Shepard Elementary School - 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano, Tx

Dancers under 18 dance free with paying adults



We dance every 2nd and 4th Fridays

For info: 972-396-0941 or president@swingingstars.org



Visit our web site: www.swingingstars.org

