



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for May 1, 2022

Message from Presidents

Russ and Anne Nejd

It was so good to see the return of dancers to the dance floor after two years of COVID. We had wonderful weather, a great central location and a fabulous caller so we knew we would have a successful anniversary dance. Of the 84 visitors and 39 Swinging Stars in attendance, we were pleased to see Fort Worth clubs, callers and cuers, and guests from Georgetown represented. We even had some dancers from the Pioneers. Toby Thomason, Mike Bramlett, Bill Hinkley, David Toms, Bob Knowles, and our own Jan Bergesen and Richard Covington were the callers present. Jan Toms and Chris Farabaugh were the cuers in attendance. We had two honey pots. Richard Covington won both but asked we draw another number. The quilt sales remained brisk, but the winner of the quilt was not present so Lorraine will be calling that person to arrange delivery of the quilt. Darryl Lipscomb kept saying how happy he was to be back in Texas although he lives in Oklahoma where the rivalry persists. JL had 12-14 round dance couples on the floor throughout most of the night. We still had a lot of guests at the end of the night so the really big circle was indeed really big. Thank you to Dave and Lorraine for chairing this dance and a special thanks to Lorraine for donating her time and talent on display with that fabulous quilt. Debbie and Jim Reid really gave the hall a Texas feel with Debbie's wonderful decorations. Thank you club members for setting up and staying to the end to help with the clean-up.

Several club members have inquired how the search is going to select a new club caller. We are narrowing our search and the selection committee is meeting this week to weigh our options. Once we have made our recommendation, the board will vote on it and then the club will have to approve of this choice.

Lessons start June 6th at Liberty Rec. Center in Plano. David Toms has been working hard promoting our lessons on Facebook and plans on boosting distribution the week before classes start. He created a great flyer with the thought of attracting people who just moved to Texas who might be looking for activities or new friends.

The Swinging Stars Club meeting will be on May 15th at 4PM at Sonny Bryan's Smokehouse in Richardson. We will be voting on several items that need attention so be sure to be there.

Anne and Russ Nejd

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

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Trailblazers	4/30/2022
Dixie Chainers	4/30/2022
Triangle Squares	4/30/2022
Kissin Kuzzins	4/30/2022
Circle I	4/30/2022
Tri City Promenaders	4/30/2022
Roadrunners	4/30/2022

Most NORTEX clubs have resumed dancing. Most clubs that have resumed dancing have ads in the *Promenade*. To reach the **May Promenade**, click here: www.new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2022-05-Promenade.pdf

EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

OFFICIAL CLUB VISITATION

Friday, April 29 -- Kissin Kuzzins -- 49th Anniversary Dance

Wow, the Kissin Kuzzins Anniversary Dance was so much fun. They had a wonderful crowd with 11 squares in the Grand March, 40 Kissin Kuzzins, 105 visitors for a total of 140 attending the dance. It is so nice to see dancers coming back to our favorite past time. The Swinging Stars had 21 members attending. I am very proud that we had such a good turnout supporting the Swinging Stars Club Visitation. Thank you to: Bergesens, F. Bivins, Bursons, Caves, Edwards, Hamms, Nejdls, Reids, Rodgers, Sees, and Stewarts. We received 2 signatures toward the 1040 Club Visitation Award patch. Way to go Swinging Stars, good job.

Tim Tyl really kept the square dancers going with all the 50's tunes and his wild and crazy mainstream calling. JL cued rhythms from the fifties as well for the round dancers to enjoy. There is nothing like dancing to the oldies but goodies.

*** COMMING EVENTS ***

Of Interest Club Visitation

Friday, May 6th --T-Square Gadabouts -- First Friday Dance

Where: Swingtime Center, 5100 SE Loop 620 Fort Worth TX.

Time: Early rounds 6:30, Work Shop 7:00, Plus 7:15, Grand March 7:30

Caller: Vernon Jones

Guest Cuer: Jan Toms

Note: 3 hours of fun for only \$8.00 (\$2.66/hr).

For more information see page 21 of the May Promenade

OFFICIAL CLUB VISITATION – Banner Retrieval

Saturday, May 7th -- Dixie Chainers -- Kentucky Derby Hat Night

Where: Christ United Methodist Church, 2807Valwood Parkway, Farmers Branch, TX.

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

Caller: Bill Hinkley

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

Note: Bottled Water and Snacks provided.

For more information see page 24 of the May Promenade

May Ladies Luncheon
Tuesday, May 10th at 11:30

The May Ladies Luncheon is being hosted by Nina Lassiter. She has chosen URBAN EATS, on May 10 at 11:30. Urban Eats is located in the Eastside development at the SE corner of Campbell and 75. The address is: 1811N Greenville Ave, Richardson, TX 75081.

Google Urban Eats, Richardson to view the menu.

Urban Eats is described as: Elevated quick-serve with a varied menu including burgers, salads, pasta & pizza plus beer & wine.

Nina says, "I have not eaten there since COVID but the food used to be good." Order at the counter. Please contact Nina by email at: ninalassiter@gmail.com or Phone 214-769-6032. Please contact Nina by May 8th so she will know how many to expect.

Hoping to see you there.

OFFICIAL CLUB VISITATION – Banner Retrieval
Friday, May 13th -- Tri City Promenaders – 62nd Anniversary
Please wear Turquoise -- Hawaiian Nights Theme

Where: Swingtime Center, 5100 SE Loop 820 Fort Worth TX

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

Caller: Ray Savell

Guest Caller: Vernon Jones

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

Note: Donation \$10.00 per person, Refreshments will be served
For more information see page 30 of the May Promenade

OFFICIAL CLUB VISITATION – Banner Retrieval
Saturday, May 14th -- Circle I -- 50's Dance -- Shake Rattle and Roll

Where: Senter Park East, 1000 Senter Road, Irving, TX

Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Grand March 8:00

Caller: Ray Savell

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

Note: Water and Coffee provided
For more information see page 31 of the May Promenade.

OFFICIAL CLUB VISITATION – Banner Retrieval
Friday, May 20th -- Kissin Kuzzins -- Memorial Day

Where: Fields Recreation Center, 1701 Dairy Road Garland TX

Time: Early Rounds 7:00, M/S workshop 7:30, Grand March 8:00.

Guest Caller: Nelda Eaton

Cuer: JL Pelton

Note: Mainstream Dancing with a Plus Tip. Please bring your own water or snack.
Hand Sanitizer is provided. See page 33 of the May Promenade for more information.

Of Interest Club Visitation
Saturday, May 21st -- Rebel Rousers -- Stars and Stripes theme dance

Where: Richardson Senior Center, 820 W. Arapaho Road, Richardson, TX.

Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Fun Plus 7:30, Dance 8:00.

Caller: Mike Bramlett

Cuer: Christine Hixson

Note: Please bring your own snacks and drink.
For more information see page 36 of the May Promenade.

Swinging Stars Club Dance.

Friday, May 27th -- Red White And Blue Theme Dance

Where: Elks Lodge--Plano, 1111 Jupiter Road #105-B, Plano, Rd.

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

Guest Caller: Bill Hinkley

Cuer: JL Pelton

Note: Please bring your own snacks and water. Also plan to stay for an after party in the Elks hospitality room. For more information see page 39 of the May Promenade.

Dance of Interest

Monday, May30th -- CASUL Presents Their Annual MEMORIAL DAY SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE

Where: Swingtime Center, 5100 SE Loop 820 Fort Worth TX

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

Callers: Mike Bramlett, Charles Crockett, Vernon Jones, Melton Luttrell, Ray Savell,
Toby Thomason, and David Toms.

Cuers: Jan Toms, Jack von der Heide

Note: Free Admission, donations are accepted. Refreshments of, Hot Dogs and all the Fixins
For more information see page 40 of the May Promenade.

* * * OTHER EVENTS * * *

Swinging Stars Club Meeting

Swinging Stars Club meeting will be on May 15th at 4PM at Sonny Bryan's Smokehouse in Richardson.

See May Promenade, click here: www.new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2022-05-Promenade.pdf

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

What a weekend, lovely weather and two great square anniversary dances to attend.

Special dates to put on your calendar

Sunday, May 15, 2022, **Swinging Stars General Meeting**

4PM, Sonny Bryan's Smokehouse, 1251 W Campbell Rd #240, Richardson, TX

Sunday, June 5, 2022, **NORTEX Officer Installation Dance, FREE Dance Swingtime Center**

Monday, June 6, 2022, **Swinging Stars Lessons** start at Liberty Rec. Center in Plano.

Friday, August 12, 2022 **Swinging Stars Double Deal** Dance.

Friday, October 14, 2022 **Swinging Stars Round Up Theme 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: 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

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See Flyer below



SWINGING STARS

MAY 13TH

CANCELLED

Hospitality
Room
After Dance

Singles
Board

Banners
Honey
Pot

May 27th

Red White and Blue

Guest Caller
Bill Hinkley



Cuer
J L Pelton

ELKS LODGE - PLANO

1111 Jupiter Rd #105B
Plano TX 75074

Early Rounds 7:00
Sq. Workshop 7:30
Grand March 8:00



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