



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for May 22, 2022

Message from Presidents

Russ and Anne NejdI

Thanks to all the club members who came to the general club meeting last week Sunday. We appreciate your support and comments. In addition to a vote on a new caller, we approved the slate of incoming board members. Congratulations to John and Debbie Cave - club presidents, Bob and Janet Rodgers - first vice presidents, Ron and Donita See – second vice presidents, Charlie and Linda Harris – secretary, and Nevin and Sara Mulvin – treasurer. Thanks to the selection committee (Burson, NejdI, Rodgers, and Caves) for their help and support in evaluating callers. We are working with the selected caller and will have an announcement soon.

Our next club dance will feature Bill Hinkley and JL Pelton. Russ and I will be unable to attend so the Caves fill be filling in for us.

Keep promoting our upcoming lessons to your friends and acquaintances. The Caves continue to receive inquiries so we remain hopeful the lessons will make. David Toms has worked hard on social media promoting the lessons. We will need angels to help fill the squares so please help make the class a success.

Remember that Swinging Stars will officially kick off the transition to summer attire at the next dance.

Anne and Russ NejdI

Swinging Stars Square Dance Lessons Starts June 6, 2022

Swinging Stars is starting square dance lessons at Liberty Recreation Center in Plano June 6, 2022 to October 3, 2022, Mon. 7:15 PM - 9:15 PM. If you know anyone who would be interested, we encourage you to let them know about this opportunity. The information is on the Swinging Stars website (<http://www.swingingstars.org/>) or you can click on the following link to get a copy of the flyer: http://www.swingingstars.org/2022_June_Square_Dance_Lessons.pdf

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
Dixie Chainers	5/07/2022
Circle I	5/14/2022
Rebel Rousers	5/21/2022

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Trailblazers	4/30/2022
Triangle Squares	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 – Banner Retrieval Friday, May 20th -- Kissin Kuzzins -- Memorial Day

The Kuzzins didn't give a final count but the Swinging Stars came with the most visitors to a small but good dance. Nelda Eaton, a caller from East Texas, provided an entertaining evening filled with patriotic music to a crowd of dancers with mixed experience levels. The workshop was mostly working on mainstream calls. There were normally 2 squares on the floor. J L Pelton handled the rounds and line dancing doing his normal excellent job of cuing. Swinging Stars in attendance were the Hamms, Nejdls, Perrotts, Rodgers and the Sees - which was more than enough to retrieve our banner. Thank you to Ron See for making this report.

Official Club Visitation

Saturday, May 21st -- Rebel Rousers -- Stars and Stripes theme dance

The Rebel Rousers had 25 visitors and 20 club members attend their dance with the Swinging Stars making up 11 of the visitors. Mike Bramlett, the club caller, provided a challenging and entertaining evening filled with patriotic music. David Toms and Bill Hinkley also called tips to the 4 squares normally on the floor. Christine Hixson provided the cuing for the rounds for 6-8 couples and also had Jan Toms cue some rounds. Swinging Stars in attendance were Fran Bivins, Edwards, Hamms, Nestors, Rodgers and the Sees - which was enough to capture their banner and get another club signature. Thank you to Ron See for this report. I hope to be back out dancing this week.

*** COMMING EVENTS ***

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, May 30th -- 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 * * *

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

Friday evening Ken Gartlir passed away after his long fight with Leukemia. His wife June was at his side. They were longtime members of Harvest Holiday and Ramblin' Rounds. They frequently visited square dance clubs also. They helped Ralph and me with Plus many years ago and in more recent years with round dancing. When June couldn't dance, Ken was helping ladies who needed partners.

Christine Hixson said "the Gartlirs were great supporters of the entire square and round dance activity. For cards for June, please send them to her at 6158 Velasco Dallas, Texas 75214. June has requested that in lieu of flowers, donations be made in Ken's memory to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society or any cancer organization of your choice or any pet rescue/shelter of your choice. At this time, no plans have been made for a memorial service." Thanks to Christine Hixson for providing the information.

Special dates to put on your calendar

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).

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See Flyer below



Singles
Board



May 27th

Red White and Blue

**Guest Caller
Bill Hinkley**



**Cuer
J L Pelton**



ELKS LODGE - PLANO

1111 Jupiter Rd #105B

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



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