



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for May 27th, 2018

Message from the President

Dave and Lorraine Burson

We start our message for this week, by reminding you that this is Memorial Day weekend. We hope that you will keep in mind as you enjoy spending time with friends and loved ones, on this beautiful day, of the freedoms that we have are largely because of the Men and Women that have sacrificed their lives to keep us free. God Bless them and God Bless America!

Most of the Swinging Stars already know, but for everyone that is new to the Swinging Stars we want you to know that June, July and August are Casual Attire months at the Swinging Stars. I am not sure what other clubs policies are so be sure before you go to visiting a dance check to find out if they are also casual. Usually the ads in the Promenade will list if they are casual.

We received this invitation from the Lone Star Solos President. He asks that we send it along to our club members.

Lone Star Solos is having a 5th Thursday Dance on Thursday, May 31, 2018. The featured Callers are the wonderful John Jones and his lovely bride Deborah Carroll-Jones. Cueing will feature Chris Farabaugh. Early Rounds start at 7:30 PM and the Grand March will be at 8:00 PM. There will be a lot of food and fun for everyone. Please invite all of your members to join the Lone Star Solos for this great night of Square and Round dancing.

Sincerely,

B. Max Triplett,

President of Lone Star Solos

Lone Stars Solos is on our calendar as an Official Visitation for this week. It is a Double Deal Dance. It is also a Banner Raid. We hope you will attend and support the Swinging Stars to acquire another banner..

Please wear turquoise.

If you didn't have a chance to sign up for the **Baldwin's Fish Fry** please take time and contact Jodie (972-562-2174) or jodie.baldwin@flash.net and tell her if you are able to attend and what you would like to bring. **The FISH FRY FOR SWINGING STARS IS AT BALDWIN'S 981 Timber Ln., Fairview 75069. SUNDAY, JUNE 10th - Happy Hour STARTS AT 5:30.**

Square Dance Lessons Update.

Lessons will begin on September 4th at 7:30 in the upstairs room of Carpenter Recreation Center. Our own Wayne Baldwin will teach them. Graduation is scheduled for December 18th.

The dance lessons committee will consist of the Hamms (chairpersons), Bursons, Whipples, HARRISES, Elliots, and Stewarts.

Under the new plan the lessons will be changed at the beginning. The first lessons will be Demo 1 (Sept. 4th) and Demo 2 (Sept. 11th). The new dancers will be recorded on the 18th and expected to pay to continue their lessons on that date.

Jodie Baldwin has been working with Kelly, the new recreation coordinator concerning angels. She is asking for 5 angel couples to be available per month. We will have sign up sheets for each month; angels may sign up for several months or a single month. Like the refreshments list, there will be a complete listing of angels so if angels can not make lessons they contact another couple to fill in for them. Unlike the refreshment team, angels will choose their own days. We are asking for angels to give unavailable dates that are already known. Jodie would like 20 couples on the list.

Background checks are required of all angels, at no cost to anyone. Seven and 1/2 couples signed up at the General meeting and have received their background check forms. Three additional couples (on the lesson committee) are also committed but do not have their forms yet. As soon as the background forms are completed, please bring them to a Swinging Stars dance so Jodie can collect them for delivery to the correct person.

The forms and sign up sheet will be available at the first dance in June and continue at dances following. Jodie would like the background check forms, especially for September angels, back by the end of July.

Lucy and Ralph Hamm
Lesson Committee Chairpersons

LESSONS ADVERTISING!!!

The Swinging Stars beginner lessons are coming up September 4th. New members/lessons are the clubs' life blood. PERSONAL RECRUITING IS THE MOST EFFECTIVE METHOD OF OBTAINING STUDENTS AND NEW MEMBERS!! But, we will also advertise.

I will be doing online free advertising. I have content available for lesson ads, if you can, and are willing to advertise somewhere, let me know and I'll send you the content and/or graphics. You can also send me your online advertising ideas, if you want me to do it.

LindaHarristx@hotmail.com<<mailto:LindaHarristx@hotmail.com>>

I NEED YOUR IDEAS ON WHERE TO ADVERTISE ONLINE!!

I'll be placing ads and notices in any free online publications around our area.

Below are some ideas we've done in the past.

1) Bubble life

2) Plano Profile Magazine

3) Nextdoor - each of you should submit something on your neighborhoods "nextdoor" website.

<https://nextdoor.com/>

Happy free advertising hunting!! Keep our club strong!! Support our favorite activity!!

Linda and Charlie Harris

Happening This Week

Monday, May 28th – CASUL – Memorial Day Dance

Deborah Carroll-Jones, Jon Jones, Vernon Jones & Jack von der Heide
7:00 PM Early Rounds – 7:30 PM Grand March

Thursday, May 31st – Lone Star Solos – Double Deal Dance

Deborah-Carroll Jones, Jon Jones & Chris Farabaugh
7:00 PM Early Rounds – 7:30 PM Grand March

Friday, June 1st – Kissin' Kuzzins – Pau Hana Laua

Wayne Baldwin & JL Pelton
7:00 PM Early Rounds- 7:45 PM Plus - 8:00 PM Grand March

Saturday, June 2nd – Circle I – Swingin' and Surfin'

Ray Savell & Chris Farabaugh
7:00 PM Early Rounds/Workshop - 7:30 PM Grand March

Sunday, June 3rd – NORTEX Installation & Dance – FREE Dance

Bobby Willis, Wayne Baldwin & JL Pelton
5:30 PM Dance

2nd VP Report

From Ron and Donita See

This weeks dances continue to have themes that pay tribute to Memorial Day and also to the beginning of summer. If you are in town and looking for a dance on Memorial Day there is a dance at Swingtime Center put on by CASUL – see below or the May Promenade for details (no charge for veterans).

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
T-Square Gadabouts	20. Apr. 2018

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Rebel Rousers	25. May. 2018

* * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * *

Dixie Chainers, Saturday, May 26th

Nine Swinging Stars attended the Dixie Chainers at their Remember Our Fallen Heros dance Saturday night. Club caller Vernon Jones and the wonderful Jack von der Heide teamed up to provide a great dance and tribute to our fallen heroes. Vernon introduced to the dancers a potentially new call that had been used in the past: Carousel Promenade. Thank you to these Swinging Stars for attending this dance: Bondis, Bursons, M. Hardin, Kilejians, and Sees.

*** * * COMING EVENTS * * ***

CASUL – Memorial Day Dance

Date: Monday, 28May18
Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones, Jon Jones, Vernon Jones
Cuer: Jack von der Heide
Time: ER – 7:00PM, GM – 7:30PM
Location: Swingtime Center
5100 SE Loop 820, Fort Worth
Note: No charge for veterans

Lone Star Solos – Double Deal Dance

Date: Thursday, 31May18
Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones, Jon Jones
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: ER – 7:00PM, GM – 7:30PM
Location: Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
3217 Guthrie Rd, Garland

Kissin' Kuzzins – Pau Hana Laua

Date: Friday, 1Jun18
Caller: Wayne Baldwin
Cuer: JL Pelton
Time: ER – 7:00PM / GM – 8:00PM
Location: Garland Senior Activity Center
600 Ave A, Garland
Note: Summer attire

Circle I – Swingin' and Surfin'

Date: Saturday, 2Jun18
Caller: Ray Savell
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: LD – 6:40PM / WS – 7:00PM / GM – 7:30PM
Location: Senter Park Recreation Center
901 Senter Road, Irving
Note: Casual attire, Double Deal dance

Plus 4s

Date: Wednesday, 6Jun18
Caller: Charles Quisenberry
Time: PL - 7:30PM
Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

Swinging Stars – Friday, June 8th

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

Texas Reelers – Family Vacation

Date: Friday, 15Jun18
Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones, Jon Jones
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: ER - 7:30PM / GM – 8:00PM
Location: Richardson Senior Center
820 W Arapaho, Richardson

Rebel Rousers – Beach Party

Date: Saturday, 16Jun18
Caller: Mike Bramlett
Cuer: Christine Hixson
Time: ER - 7:00PM / Plus – 7:30PM / GM – 8:00PM
Location: Richardson Senior Center
820 W Arapaho, Richardson

Plus 4s

Date: Wednesday, 20Jun18
Caller: Charles Quisenberry
Time: PL - 7:30PM
Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

Swinging Stars – Friday, June 22nd

Theme: Time for Baseball
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 – Olde Time Dance

Date: Saturday, 23Jun18
Caller: Vernon Jones
Cuer: Jack von der Heide
Time: ER/WS – 7:00PM, GM – 7:30PM
Location: Farmers Branch Senior Center
14055 Dennis Lane, Farmers Branch

Lone Star Solos – Pre-Roundup Dance

Date: Thursday, 28Jun18
Caller: Dave Vieira
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: ER – 7:00PM, GM – 7:30PM
Location: Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
3217 Guthrie Rd, Garland
Note: Double signature dance

Triangle Squares – Schmidt Beach

Date: Friday, 29Jun18
Caller: Toby Thomason, Tim Tyl
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: WS - 7:30PM / GM – 8:00PM
Location: Denton Civic Center
321 East McKinney St, Denton
Note: Double Deal

Other Events:

May 31 – June 3, 2018

56th Annual Texas State & Round Dance Festival

For a great weekend to experience multiple callers and cuers from all over the state of Texas you can head to the Harvey Convention Center in Tyler, Texas. For more information about this weekend opportunity go to <http://www.swingingstars.org> under the Weekend tab.

JUNE LADIES LUNCHEON

Lucy Hamm is hosting the June Ladies at 11:30 on Wednesday June 13 at The Cheesecake Factory in Stonebriar. The address is 2601 Preston Rd. in Frisco. Please contact Lucy by Monday June 11th at lhamm45@gmail.com or 972-872-7219 and let her know if you are planning to attend. For more info on their extensive menu check them out at Cheesecake Factory, Frisco. And save room for dessert!

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.

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

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

July 13 – **Evanto**, Boyd, McClasky, Rose

July 27 – **Nejdl**, Goebel, Nestor, Reid (Theme – Ice Cream Social)

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.

Two Step Class Graduates

Our Two Step Class just graduated this past Saturday, May 26th. It's been a great class and we were so proud of our students at the Swinging Stars Friday night dance. Walter cued two "graduate" level Two Steps -- and they did great. Those Swinging Stars at the dance included Alex and Vanessa Nestor, Gene and Phyllis DeLuke, and Eddie and Marilyn Gifford. Also graduating with our class were some Kissin' Kuzzins and a few potential square dancers we hope to get to take square dance lessons in the fall. As all of our students will tell you, we have a great time during dance class. Our philosophy is that it's got to be fun, and we do have fun. You might think about joining us for the Jive class that starts the middle of June.

Beginning Jive Lessons - Starts Saturday, June 16th

Linda and JL will be offering Beginning Jive classes starting in June. Jive is a really fun rhythm and is very similar to what you might call swing or jitterbug. This class starts from the very beginning of Jive as if you have had no instruction in the Jive rhythm. Even if you have never taken a round dance class before, you can start with this rhythm.

This class is from 11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. on Saturdays and will be held at Carpenter Recreation Center in the multi-purpose room. Signup is already open with Plano Parks and Recreation. You can signup either online, or you can call the Carpenter Rec Center at 972-208-8087. The class number is 11242 and is listed as Round Dance Basics.

Exhibition Dance by Richard Covington

Richard have another exhibition planed for Sunday, August 19th 2PM at the Frisco Heritage Museum in the train depot. The address of the train depot is 6499 Page St, Frisco, TX. It will be a dance format and last about two hours. Come for all or part. We would love to fill the room. This could be a good time to recruit students for the up coming lessons in September.

Plus Dance

Subject: Monday Plus in Lavon

I received this message on Wednesday afternoon about the Monday Plus dances and wanted to pass it along to anyone interested in doing some plus dancing on Monday evenings. These Monday night plus dances are a great way to obtain floor time and to workshop moves of which you are having trouble.

Here is the schedule that will start again on June 25, 2018 at 7pm-9pm.

June 25

July 9

July 16

July 23

July 30

Remember, if you would like a call to be worked on, just ask and it will appear!!!!

All Plus Dances on Mondays at the Lavon City Hall, 120 School Road, Lavon. The cost is \$5 per person.

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm

Nothing to report.

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

Sunday June 3, 2018 NORTEX Officer Installation and Dance

Sunday June 10th Baldwin's Fish Fry

Sunday June 24th Round-Up Kick Off Dance

Friday September 28th Swinging Stars Pre Round up Dance

Friday October 19th NTCA Caller's Cavalcade

Saturday October 20th NORTEX Round-Up

Friday November 30, 2018 Swinging Stars Double Deal Dance

Saturday December 8th Swinging Stars Holiday Party

Saturday March 30, 2019 Swinging Stars 44th Anniversary Dance

Dave and Lorraine Burson

Swinging Stars Presidents

Email: president@swingingsstars.org

Phone: 972-396-0941

See Flyer below

Swinging Stars

IT'S TIME FOR
BASEBALL...

PUT ME IN COACH!



Coach
Wayne Baldwin
Umpire
Walter Brewer

Show Your Team
Spirit by Wearing
Your Favorite Team's Shirt
OR Dress Casual for Summer



Friday, June 22

Early Rounds 7:00

Plus Dancing 7:45

Grand March 8:00

Dancers Under 18 Dance for
Free When Accompanied
By A Paying Adult

Fellowship

Refreshments

Honey Pot

Banners



Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr., Plano

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