



# Swinging Stars

## Square and Round Dance Club

***Newsletter for June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018***

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### **Message from the President**

**Dave and Lorraine Burson**

On Sunday June 3<sup>rd</sup> at the NORTEX Officers Installation Ceremony, following the installation of the Elected and Appointed Officers being sworn in, some very special awards were given. The honor of Dancer of the Year was given to our own Charles and Anna Wolfe, long time Swinging Star members and NORTEX Photographer. Congratulations Charles and Anna, we are very proud of you and thank you for all your services that you do for the Swinging Stars as well as for NORTEX. Every year the President of NORTEX chooses a Dancer of the year and a Club of the Year. This year the honor of being named 2018 Club of the year, was given to the Triangle Square. Congratulations to this very deserving club.

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### **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, Elliotts, 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 ADVERTINGS!!!**

PERSONAL RECRUITING IS THE MOST EFFECTIVE METHOD OF OBTAINING STUDENTS AND NEW MEMBERS!! But, we will also advertise.

Start your hunt for free advertising now! I have content available for those free ads, if you can, and are willing to advertise somewhere, let me know and I'll send you the content and/or graphics. Also, I keep a log so we don't duplicate.

You can send me your online advertising ideas, if you prefer me to do it.

[LindaHarristx@hotmail.com](mailto: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

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## **Happening This Week**

### **Friday, June 15th – Texas Reelers**

Deborah Carroll-Jones, Jon Jones & Chris Farabaugh

7:30 PM Early Rounds – 8:00 PM Grand March

### **Saturday, June 16th – Rebel Rousers**

Mike Bramlett & Christine Hixson

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

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

### **From Ron and Donita See**

This week continues to pay tribute to the beginning of summer. The two dances on the calendar this week are both in Richardson and have themes of family vacation and beach party. We need a great turnout for the Rebel Rousers so we can retrieve our banner AND capture theirs.

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
Lone Star Solos	31. May. 2018

### Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Rebel Rousers	25. May. 2018

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

#### **NORTEX Installation Dance, Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Seventeen Swinging Stars attended the NORTEX Installation Dance Sunday. Our own Wayne Baldwin was joined by NTCA President Bobby Willis in calling squares and JL Pelton cued to provide a great dance for all who attended. The highlight of the Installation was the naming of our own Swinging Stars Charles and Anna Wolfe as Dancers of the Year. Thank you to these Swinging Stars for attending this dance: P. Amy, Bondis, Bursons, Evantos, Hamms, Harrisers, Perrotts, Pitts, and Sees.

#### **Plus 4s, Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**

15 Swinging Stars visited Plus 4s Wednesday evening. Squares were called by the club caller Charles Quisenberry ("Quiz"). Quiz called another great dance by challenging us to some DBD moves we normally don't see at a dance. Swinging Stars in attendance were P. Amy, Bergesens, J. Duncan, Evantos, Halvorsons, M. Hardin, Kilejians, Sees, and the Stewarts.

#### **Dixie Chainers, Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup>**

7 Swinging Stars visited the Dixie Chainers Saturday evening. Squares were called by the club caller Vernon Jones and rounds were cued by club cuer Jack von der Heide. Vernon and Jack combined to create a great dancing environment. We were also treated to the new calling/cuing duo of David and Jan Toms who did exceptionally well. Swinging Stars in attendance were Edwards, M. Hardin, Kilejians, and Sees.

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

#### **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  
Note: **Banner Retrieval**

### **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 22<sup>nd</sup>**

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: Wear Your Favorite Team's Shirt OR Dress Casual for Summer

### **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:

### June 13: 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 11<sup>th</sup> at [lhamm45@gmail.com](mailto: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!

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## 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 or Karen Hawkins (214.537.0446). Email [markt.karen@gmail.com](mailto:markt.karen@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.karen@gmail.com](mailto:markt.karen@gmail.com) of the change.

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)  
August 10 – **Mulvin**, Elliott, Harden, Zhang  
August 24 – **Gifford**, Bergesen, Dennison, Marshall (Theme – Luau)

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## 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.

### Practice Mainstream Dances

From the Dixie Chainers

Club Presidents, please forward this email to your club members and encourage everyone to participate. **We invite all new square dancers, students (10 or more lessons) and Angels to participate.**

On Tuesdays in June (June 4, 11, 18 and 25), the Dixie Chainers are offering practice dances for new dancers.

The dancing will begin at 6:30 PM and conclude about 8:30 PM. The caller is Lee Meador.

The cost is only \$3.00 per person (all pay).

You'll Come and have FUN. Thanks.

Sincerely,

Robert O'Nale & Wayne Weirich

Presidents, Dixie Chainers Square and Round Dance Club

(469) 268-0229 cell/Txt, [info@dixiechainers.org](mailto:info@dixiechainers.org), [www.dixiechainers.org](http://www.dixiechainers.org)

### **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 has another exhibition planned 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--Monday Plus in Lavon**

I received this message 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 and 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.

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## **Sunshine information**

### **From Lucy Hamm**

Please keep Bob and Kathy Estep in your thoughts and prayers. Bob has been in Medical City Dallas since May 31st. He has had blood transfusions for reoccurrence of leukemia. He will be in the hospital a month and will probably be having chemotherapy soon. Please send cards to Bob at 3249 Sailmaker Plano 75023. He would appreciate texting at 972-679-8572.

Anne NejdI said Russ is recovering from a rotator cuff repair which he had last Wednesday. He is comfortable with no pain (he is married to a nurse). Although he won't be dancing for awhile, he hopes to see Swinging Stars members in July. Cards for Russ can be sent to 4105 Cassandra Lane Plano. 75033.

Peter and Jeanne Rickerts daughter, Juliette, married Johnny Price Saturday June 9th. The happy couple are both Texas A&M graduates who met in Seattle, the Emerald City, and fell in love. Congratulations to all of them.

Sebastian Alvarez, grandson of Ralph and Lucy Hamm, graduated from elementary school June 7th. In the fall he will be attending the Contra Coasta School For Performing Arts with major interest in Production and Design .

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## 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](mailto: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](mailto:harris0907@sbcglobal.net) or phone 214-348-5361.

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### Web Master Dave Burson

Be sure to check out our web page: [www.swingingstars.org](http://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.

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### Special dates to put on your calendar

Sunday June 24<sup>th</sup> Round-Up Kick Off Dance

Tuesday September 4, 2018 Mainstream Lessons Begin

Friday September 28<sup>th</sup> Swinging Stars Pre Round up Dance

Friday October 19<sup>th</sup> NTCA Caller's Cavalcade

Saturday October 20<sup>th</sup> 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 44<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance

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### Dave and Lorraine Burson

#### Swinging Stars Presidents

Email: [president@swingingstars.org](mailto:president@swingingstars.org)

Phone: 972-396-0941

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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

GO RANGERS



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

For Info: 972-396-0941 [president@swingingstars.org](mailto:president@swingingstars.org)

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