Newsletter for July 15th, 2018

Message from the President

Dave and Lorraine Burson

We have something we would like to try to explain. If you have read the July Promenade our ad on Page16 says that we are gong to be having a Sq Workshop at 7:00 at our Ice cream social. Of course that is wrong. We will have our Early Rounds at 7:00. After we sent the submission to the editor for the July Promenade we noticed that there was a mistake in the ad. Immediately we resent the corrected ad to the editor with an explanation as to what had happened. The editor over looked the corrected ad and left the incorrect ad in the Promenade, that had been sent first, for the July edition. There were other incorrect items that appeared in the Promenade that were there because the editor again overlooked the new submissions. The editor had incorrectly put these items in a prior Promenade. When she received the July submission that had the corrections, for some reason, the editor put the correct July submission in, but didn't delete the incorrect information, so that both the incorrect and correct information were both listed the July Promenade. In all fairness the job on being the Promenade Editor is a difficult job (a job I wouldn't want to do) and is very difficult to get everything correct. I am in hopes that these problems will go away with the next Promenade.

Report on the Square Dance Lessons

Lucy and Ralph Hamm

Square Dance Lessons will start on September 4th. What WE ALL need to be doing now is making sure all our friends know how great square dancing is and letting them know that we have lessons coming up. Your personal contact with your friends is the best way to get people into this wonderful activity!

Happening This Week

Wednesday, July 18th - Plus 4s

Charles Quisenberry- 7:30 PM Plus

Friday, July 20th - Triangle Squares

Nelda Eaton- 7:00 PM Workshop - 7:30 PM Picnic - 8:00 PM Grand March

Saturday, July 21st - Rebel Rousers

Mike Bramlett & Christine Hixson

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

2nd VP Report

From Ron and Donita See

This week features our own dance Friday evening and the Dixie Chainers Pre-RoundUp NORTEX Visitation dance with special guest caller Tim Tyl.

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
Triangle Squares	30. Sep. 2017
Tri-City Promenaders	31. Mar. 2018
T-Square Gadabouts	20. Apr. 2018
Lone Star Solos	31. May. 2018
Texas Reelers	15. Jun. 2018
Dixie Chainers	23. Jun. 2018
Lone Star Solos	28 Jun. 2018
Kissin' Kuzzins	6. Jul. 2018
Dixie Chainers	14. Jul. 2018

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured

* * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * *

Swinging Stars - Friday, July 13th

Dixie Chainers, Saturday, July 14th

Dixie Chainers had their pre round up dance. It was fabulous! They had their biggest attendance ever with one square short of 200! Tim Tyl was amazing with his high energy, humorous, and unique calls (like scooch and root). He is a true showman! We got their banner with the following 17 Stars in attendance: Stewart, Bergesen, P. Amy, T. Evanto, Harris, Edwards, Kilegian, M Hardin, C. Wolf, Lassiter.

Forty Second ICBDA Convention, Tulsa, OK, July 11 - 14

14 Swinging Stars round dancers attended the International Choreographed Ballroom Dance Association (ICBDA) annual convention in Tulsa this past Wednesday through Saturday. This was the largest number of Swinging Stars to attend ICBDA in recent memory. Foxtrot and bolero were the emphasized rhythms in Wednesday's workshops. On Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, new phase III through VI dances were taught and included 4 boleros, 3 foxtrots, 2 waltzes, 2 cha chas and 1 each slow two step, mambo, tango, rumba, jive and west coast swing. Cuers from all over the United States and one all the way from Queensland, Australia conducted workshops, taught new dances, cued for the evening dancing, and worked tirelessly to make the convention a great success. Our own JL Pelton and Karen Gloodt, who cues extensively in DFW, each taught a newly choreographed dance and cued for evening dancing. The cuer from Australia and her partner taught a very nice phase V bolero, and all Swinging Stars in attendance took this teach.

ICBDA members chose through advance voting 92 dances for each of three levels of dancing. These were danced over four nights in the three different ballrooms. JL and Linda's "Dance with the Devil"

cha cha was in the top 15 vote getters for phases III – IV. DFW area cuers Karen Gloodt and Christine Hixson also had dances in the top 15.

Swinging Stars members who attended this marvelous event were the Bondis, Hamms, Jungs, Peltons, Perrotts, Pitts, and Zhangs.

* * * COMING EVENTS * * *

Plus 4s

Date: Wednesday, 18Jul18
Caller: Charles Quisenberry

Time: PL - 7:30PM

Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

Triangle Squares – Life is a Beach

Date: Friday, 20Jul18
Caller: Nelda Eaton

Cuer:

Time: WS - 7:00PM, picnic - 7:30PM, GM - 8:00PM

Location: Denton Senior Center

509 North Bell Avenue, Denton, TX

Note: Pre-Roundup, 2-signature dance

Rebel Rousers - Anniversary Camping Party

Date: Saturday, 21Jul18
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: 2-signature dance

Swinging Stars - Friday, July 27th

Theme: Ice Cream Social 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

Other Events:

The Swinging Stars ladies luncheon will be held at the **Crossroads Diner** on Wednesday, July 18 at 11:30. Nina Lassiter is our hostess. Please RSVP as she says, "attendees may call, text, email, send carrier pigeon, or singing telegram" by Thursday, July 12th. Her phone/text number: 214-769-6032. Email: ninalassiter@gmail.com The 'Crossroads Diner' can be found at 17194 Preston Road, Suite 101, Dallas, TX 75248. It is located on the Northeast Corner of Preston and Campbell in the Kroger shopping center. Their web site says, "Homestyle Goodness meets Traditional Diner' with Great Recipes, Fresh Ingredients, Comfortable Environment & Genuine Hospitality." Their website address: Crossroads-diner.com. They are known for their Sticky Buns...be sure to join their Sticky-Bun Club while dining there on the 18th!

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 metropolex.

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) or 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.

July 27 – **Nejdl**, Pitts, Nestor, Reid (Theme – Ice Cream Social)
August 10 – **Evanto**, Elliott, Harden, Pelton
August 24 – **Gifford**, Bergesen, Dennison, Marshall (Theme – Luau)
September 14 – **See**, Colter, Lassiter, Rickert
September 28 – **Kern**, Amy, Covington, Hamm, Hawkins, Zhang, Pharr, Goebel (Theme – Pre Round-Up Kaleidoscope of Colors)

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.

Exhibition Dance by Richard Covington

Richard has 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. Lets have a good showing of Swinging Stars to help Richard while helping Swinging Stars to maybe recruit some Students for our Square dance lessons that will start on September 4th.

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 at 7pm-9pm on: 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 are on Mondays at the Lavon City Hall, 120 School Road, Lavon, TX.

The cost is \$5 per person.

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm

I have heard of no losses or illness that have changed.

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 devices, 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 are17 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

Tuesday September 4, 2018 Mainstream Lessons Begin 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@swingingstars.org

Phone: 972-396-0941

See Flyer below





I scream, you scream, we all scream for Ice Cream

Friday July 27, 2018

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: Walter Brewer

Casual Attire

Early Rounds: 7:00

Plus Dancing: 7:45

Grand March: 8:00

Hot Hash after the last

tip if requested

Dancers Under 18 dance free when accompanied by a paying adult.

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

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