Newsletter for July 21, 2019 **Casual Summer Attire June thru August**

Message from Presidents David and Peggy Edwards

Hello Swinging Stars,

We did not dance much the past two weekends other than our dance. I was a little hobbled with an injured foot and family was visiting this weekend. As you all know family comes first. I am much better now and am looking forward to getting back on the dance floor.

There was a lesson committee meeting last Sunday at the home of Nick and Diane Stewart chaired by Ralph and Lucy Hamm. It was a very informative meeting and lot of progress was made. There were a lot of good ideas put forth on how to maybe recruit students. I think we will have a very successful fall lesson.

We received our insurance forms from NORTEX for the 2019 - 2020 year and we are all set to go. Still need a contract from PISD for the upcoming year, but Linda Harris has been working with Teri Ellis at the PISD and a contract seems to be imminent. Thank you to all who have worked so hard on all these projects.

David and Peggy Edwards Presidents, Swinging Stars

Swinging Stars 3rd Quarter Dues are Due! Just a friendly reminder, your 2019, 3rd Quarter dues are Due!

You can pay:

Quarters	Couple	Single	
1 Qtr	45.00	22.50	
2 Qtrs.	90.00	45.00	
3 Qtrs.	135.00	67.50	
4 Qtrs.	180.00	90.00	

Bring to the next dance or,

Send To: Nevin Mulvin 3409 Eisenhower Ln. Plano TX 75023-3933

Please make check PAYABLE TO: Swinging Stars.

Mainstream Lessons Start Sept 3 -- Your Club Needs Your Help!

Lessons are the lifeblood of any square dance club. Any year we fail to get a good sized mainstream class, our club will become smaller through attrition. That's why it's VITAL that ALL of us work together to make sure we do get a good sized class this fall.

We have the lessons schedule (Tuesdays at 7:15PM, Sep 3 - Dec 17), the facility, and the instructor. All we need now are students! That's what each and every one of us needs to work on now. We will give you advertising materials at the August club dances to give to your friends and neighbors or place in your church or gym or any other organization or activity location that you can.

The lessons committee would like to keep a database of potential students. We will help with contacting and encouraging these people to come to lessons in the last few weeks before lessons begin. If you know of any potential candidates, please send names, addresses, emails and phone numbers or as much of this information as you can get to secretary@swingingstars.org.

We hope that you will take this request for help to heart. Together we can recruit a good number of students and get some great new members for our club.

If you have friends you would like to start discussing the lessons with now, you can print a flyer with all the information on when and where the lessons will be and how to register from this link: http://swingingstars.org/Mainstream square dance lessons 2019.pdf. If you have any questions, please contact Ralph Hamm at rehamm45@gmail.com or 214-872-7219.

Happening This Week

Friday, July 26 – Swinging Stars Club Dance – Theme: Ice Cream Parlor Party

Caller: Bobby Willis Cuer: Walter Brewer

Time: Early rounds 7:00, Plus dancing 7:45, Grand March 8:00

Saturday July 27 - Dixie Chainers - Theme - Summer Revival, All Signing Calls

Caller: Bobby Willis
Cuer: Jack von der Heide

Time: Early rounds and Square dance Workshop 7:00, Grand March: 7:30 Location: Christ United Methodist Church 2807 Valwood, Farmers Branch

Note: This is their regular new dance location.

Sunday July 28 – Harvest Holiday, Summer Fun Rounds

Cueing by Area Cuers

Time: 2:00-5:00

Location: Swingtime Center 5100 S. E. Loop 820, Fort Worth

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
Cotton Pickin' Squares	5/25/2019
Dixie Chainers	6/08/2019
Kissin Kuzzins	7/05/2019
Circle I	7/06/2019
Rebel Rousers	7/20/2019

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured

* * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * *

Wednesday July 17 - Plus 4's Dance

We had **5** Swinging Stars attending Thank you to these members P Amy, Bursons and Stuarts. We had a fun time dancing to Quiz.

Friday July 19 – Triangle Square – Fun in the sun Theme – Dance of Interest

Charley Robertson did a great job calling. You would love his rendition of "I Don't Like Green Eggs and Ham" done to a rap beat. Very cool! Thank you to the **9** Swinging Stars that attended P. Amy, Bursons, Coulters, Evantos, and Stuarts. This dance was well worth the trip to Denton. We retrieved our banner. We were not even aware that they had it. We believe they must have captured our banner at our Anniversary Dance in March.

Friday, July 19 – TEXAS REELERS – SURFIN' USA – THEME DANCE

We had **7** Swinging Stars at the dance Friday night. Very lively dance featuring Beatles and other Surfing USA songs and artist. M. Hardin, R. Pehrson, M. Mae, Pitts, and Sperrys We retrieved our banner. Thanks to all that attended. Thank you to Mary Hardin for the report.

Saturday, July 20 – Rebel Rousers – 30th Anniversary Dance – Theme: Diamonds and Denim

The dance was so much fun! The room was full of fun loving square dancers, There were 199 visiting guest and 38 Rebel Rousers. For a total of 237, not a bad night for the Rebel Rousers. Swinging Stars had enough to retrieve our banner and capture the Rebel Rousers banner. Thank you to P. Amy, Bondis, Bursons, Caves, Evantos, Feldmans, M. Hardin, Harrises, Pitts, Sees, Trujillos, and C. Wolfe. Hunter Keller called a fantastic dance along with Mike Bramlett. Hunter did one Singing call as an Elvis impersonator. All of the calling was fast and furious, but the calls were all easy and anyone that can dance mainstream would have been able to keep up. I didn't actually see very many squares broken down during the night. Christine, as expected, cued a good mix of rhythms for all the round dancers to enjoy.

* * * COMING EVENTS * * *

Friday, July 26 - Swinging Stars Club Dance - Theme: Ice Cream Parlor Party

If you like Ice Cream like I do, you will be there to enjoy some good, cold dessert. You will also be enjoying the good calling of our new caller and our wonderfully acclaimed Cuer. Be there or you will miss all the goodies. We are having casual attire thru the months of July and August. So dress cool for the dance. Join us at the Austin Grill and we can discuss all the fun we had at our dance.

Caller: Bobby Willis Cuer: Walter Brewer

Time: Early rounds 7:00, Plus dancing 7:45, Grand March 8:00

Jodie Baldwin donated a beautiful Painting to the Swing Stars before Wayne had retired. The club decided to have a raffle for this painting at our NORTEX Pre Round up dance on September 13. We will be selling tickets for the Picture Raffle at our July 12, July 26, August 9, and August 23 dances. With the final selling of tickets and the drawing being at our September 13th dance. Be sure to get your tickets for the raffle at one of these dances. If you are unable to be at the Pre Roundup Dance on September 13, you still will be a winner if your ticket is drawn. You do not need to be present to win the drawing. We are including a picture of the painting below so you can start drooling over it and hopping to win it. I hope this picture of the painting does it justice. You really need to see the real picture to actually see the beauty in Jodie's artwork.



Saturday July 27 - Dixie Chainers - Theme - Summer Revival, All Signing Calls

Many of our club members enjoy dancing to the great old Gospel songs and love to sing along with the caller as they dance.

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Cuer: Jack von der Heide

Time: Early rounds and Square dance Workshop 7:00, Grand March: 7:30 Location: Christ United Methodist Church 2807 Valwood, Farmers Branch

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Sunday July 28 – Harvest Holiday, Summer Fun Rounds

For our Round dancers this is an opportunity to get Phases 2,3,and 4 dance floor time.

Cueing by Area Cuers

Time: 2:00-5:00

Location: Swingtime Center 5100 S. E. Loop 820, Fort Worth

Wednesday July 31 - Plus 4's Dance

This is Quiz's regular plus dance night.

A dancing at 6:15 Plus at 7:30to 9:30

Caller Charles Quizenberry

Note: 5th Wednesday is always ice cream night.

Friday August 2 - Texas Reelers - Mad Hatter's Dance - Official Dance

Wear your craziest hat and join the fun dancing to these fine callers and cuer.

Callers: Deborah Carroll Jones and Jon Jones

Cuer: Chris and Maria Farabaugh

Time: Early Rounds 7:30: Grand March 8:00

Location: Richardson Senior Center, 820 W. Arapaho, Richardson

Note: Banner Raid

Saturday August 3 – Circle 8's – This month's out standing National Caller

During all of this year Circle 8 has been having outstanding Local and National Callers to help celebrate their club's 72years of dancing. This month's National caller is Mike Seastrom form Tarzana, California. If you have ever danced to Mike you know that you are in for a real treat. If you have never danced to him you can be sure that you will enjoy dancing to his calling.

Guest Caller: Mike Seastrom Club Caller: Melton Luttrell Club Cuer: Jack von der Heide

Time: Early Rounds 7:30, Square Dancing 8:00 to 10:15

Location: Swingtime Center, 5100 SE Loop 820 @ Anglin Dr. Fort Worth. TX.

Note: Interest of Dance

Thursday August 8 – Double Plus – Pre Round up dance

This is an **all plus dance** it is regular plus dancing, so if you can plus you can dance to Joey Duhamel.

Caller: Joey Duhamel

Cuer: No Rounds will be cued

Time: Work Shop 7:00, Plus Dance 7:30 to 9:30

Location: Swingtime Center, 5100 SE Loop 820 @ Anglin Dr. Fort Worth. TX.

Note: Dance of Interest, 2-Signature Dance

* * * OTHER EVENTS * * *

Tuesday August 20 – August Ladies Luncheon

Ladies, please join us at Saltgrass Steakhouse, an award winning Restaurant. The date is Tuesday, August 20, at 11:30. The Saltgrass legend dates back to the 1800's when millions of longhorns roamed freely throughout Texas. Their first restaurant was built on the historic Salt Grass Trail leading to the Texas Coast. We are meeting at one of their newest locations: 3320 Central Expressway (formerly Joe's Crab Shack), Plano 75074. Menu at Saltgrass.com Our hostess is Mary Hardin. She needs an RSVP before August 19th. She can be reached by phone at: 214 632-4230 cell, 972 517-8691 home, or email: mrhardin39@gmail.com

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 Walmart or Dollar Tree. If you need supplies contact First Vice Presidents Nick and Diane Stewart. Please do not buy supplies without first checking with the Stewarts (972.377.3910) or 1stvp@swingingstars.org.). If you have additional questions, 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 26 – Lassiter, Neidl, Perrotts, See (Theme – Ice Cream Parlor Party)

August 9 – **Rickert**, Chen, Dennison, Mosher

August 23 - Feldman, Kilejian, Pelton, Pharr (Theme - Flash Back to School Days

(donate supplies/money))

September 13 – **Bergesen,** Amy, Bondi, Burson, Deluke, Jung, Trujillo, Whipple (Pre Round-Up Dance – *The Stars at Night*)

September 27 – **Hamm**, Goebel, Nestor, Stewart)

Round Dance Lessons update

From JL and Linda Pelton

Update on Slow Two Step Class

The Slow Two Step class is doing well. The Left Turn Inside Roll has been mastered along with all the phase 3 figures in Slow Two Step. They've learned enough figures now to be able to dance Wonderful Rain. There are very few Phase 3 Slow Two Steps, but as soon as the Right Turn Outside Roll is mastered, which they will be working on next week, lots of dances will be available.

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter No 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 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 https://narris0907@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

Friday September 13, 2019 – Swinging Stars Pre Round-Up Dance Friday October 25, 2019 – NTCA 2019 Caller's Cavalcade Saturday October 26, 2019 – NORTEX 2019 Round-Up Friday November 22, 2019 – Swinging Stars Double Deal Dance Friday December 6, 2019 – Swinging Stars Annual Holiday Party Friday May 29, 2020 – Swinging Stars 45th Anniversary Dance

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See Flyer below

ICE CYCAM Parlor Party

July 26, 2019



Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano, TX

Caller: Bobby Willis

Cuer: Walter Brewer







Honey Pot Banners Refreshments Solo Board

Early Rounds: 7:00 pm

Plus Tip: 7:45 pm

Grand March: 8:00 pm

Dancers under 18 free with paying adults.

We dance every 2nd and 4th Friday.

For more info: president@swingingstars.org

www.swingingstars.org







