

Newsletter for August 1, 2021

Message from Presidents Russ and Anne Nejdl

On behalf of the new board, we wish to thank our prior board for serving our club this past 1 ½ years during difficult times compounded by the pandemic. They did a good job of keeping our club going and re-introducing us back to dancing.

The new board will meet at the Nejdl house today to discuss the calendar year. Most of the board has been actively viewing dance venues and sites to host lessons and these items will be discussed at the executive board meeting as well.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 12th for a club picnic at Hoblitzelle Park Pavilion in Plano (7500 Red River Drive). The park runs across a scenic creek and has more than 3 miles of walking trails. More information will follow.

Hope to see you all at our club visitations coming up.

Russ and Anne Nejdl

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	12/14/2019
Texas Reelers	1/17/2020
Kissin' Kuzzins	7/16/2021
Rebel Rousers	7/17/2021
Tri-City Promenaders	7/24/2021

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured

Many NORTEX clubs have resumed dancing or will in the near future. NORTEX is maintaining a listing of clubs with their status on this web page:

http://new.nortex.org/nortex/?page_id=3043

In addition, most clubs that have resumed dancing have ads in the *Promenade*. To reach the August *Promenade*, click here: <u>http://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2021-08-Promenade.pdf</u>

* * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * *

July 24, 2021: Tri-City Promenaders visitation.

Tri-City Promenaders held a 70s disco dance on Saturday, July 24th. The caller was Ray Savell and Ray and Linda really dressed up for the event. The cuer was Chris Farabaugh. Both caller and cuer picked appropriate music/songs for the enjoyment of the dancers. Both Vernon Jones and Bobby Willis joined Ray for several tips making for some really great dancing. Swinging Stars in attendance were Rodgers, Sees, and Willises. The club was feeling generous with their banners - so we came home with their banner.

Friday, July 30: Texas Reelers Visitation Stand up for the USA.

The theme for the Dance had some reference to the Olympics. We did some sort of gymnastic event when doing the grand square. Every time we finished all 32 steps of the grand square we would "stick the landing" as they do when they finish their gymnastics competition. We even had a competition doing, NO Touch Dancing. We started out with 6 squares and as the squares broke down they were eliminated, down to the last 3 squares. Receiving the silver medal was the square the Nestors, M. Mae and R.Pehrson danced in. I am not sure if Swinging Stars had any bronze winners, but the gold medal went to the square the Bursons danced in. The evening of dancing was so much fun. For whatever reason you missed it, you missed a good time. Thank you to these Swinging Stars for supporting the Swinging Stars Visitation: Bursons, Caves, Edwards, Kilejians, Nestors, R. Pehrson, M. Mae, Rogers, and Sees. Although we had 16 members attending we did not receive a banner, because we already have their banner. We did however get a signature toward the club visitation award.

* * * COMING EVENTS * * *

Friday, Aug. 6: Tri Angle Squares -- Welcome Back Dance -- Of Interest Visitation

Where: First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 1424 Stuart Rd Denton, TX
Time: 700 to 9:00
Caller: Toby Thomason
Donation: \$5.00 each through September
Bring your own food and drinks, Casual attire
See Flyer on Page 11 of the August Promenade for more info

Friday, August 13: Swinging Stars -- Hawaiian Dance -- Theme Dance

Where: Grace Church, 2005 Estates Parkway Lucas, TX (enter around back)
Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Square Refresher 7:30, Grand March 8:00
Caller: Bobby Willis
Cuer: JL Pelton
Bring your own food and drinks, Casual attire
See Flyer on page 16 of the August Promenade for more info

Saturday, August 14: Dixie Chainers -- Party at the beach -- Official Visitation

Where: Christ United Methodist Church, 2807 Valwood Parkway, Farmers Branch
Time: WS / ER 7:00, Grand March 7:30
Caller: Bobby Willis
Cuer: Jack von der Heide
Bring your own snacks and Drinks, Casual Attire, Honey Pot, Banners
See Flyer on Page 18 of the August Promenade for More info

Friday August 20: T-Square Gadabouts -- Pre Roundup Dance-- Official Visitation

Where: Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820 Fort Worth, Tx
Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Work Shop: 7:30, Grand March 8:00
Caller: Vernon Jones
Cuer: Karen Gloodt
Donation: \$8.00 per person
Two signature Dance
Light Snacks, Coffee and water are provided
See Flyer on 21 of the August Promenade for more info

Saturday, August 21: Rebel Rousers Celebration Dance -- Of Interest Visitation

Where: Richardson Senior Center, 820 W. Arapaho Rd., Richardson, TX
Time: Rounds 7pm; Fun Shop 7:30pm, Grand March 8:00pm
Caller: Mike Bramlett
Cuer: Christine Hixson
Bring your own food and drinks, Casual attire
See Flyer on 24 of the August Promenade for more info

The Rebel Rousers will be hosting a surprise milestone birthday celebration for Theron Hixson. Rebel Rousers would love for all of you to join the party. The Club will have a basket to collect cards or you are welcome to sign a card the Club will have available. No gifts, please.

Friday, August 27: Swinging Stars -- Regular Dance Night

Where: Grace Church, 2005 Estates Parkway Lucas, TX (enter around back)
Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Square Refresher 7:30, Grand March 8:00
Caller: Bobby Willis
Cuer: JL Pelton
Bring your own food and drinks, Casual attire
See Flyer on page 16 of the August Promenade for more info

SATURDAY August 28: -- Tri City Promenaders -- Official Visitation Big Band Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy Dance

Where: Brookside Center. 1244 Brookside Dr.
Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Workshop 7:30, Grand March 8:00
Caller: Ray Savell
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Bring your own food and drinks, Casual attire
See page 29 of the August Promenade

* * * OTHER EVENTS * * *

Wednesday, August 4: Plus 4's Resume Dancing -- Welcome Back

Where: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church, 12411 Templeton Trail, Farmers Branch
 Time: 1st and 3rd Wednesday, "A" Dance 6:30, Plus Dance 7:30
 Caller: Charles Quisenberry
 Bring your own snacks and Drinks, Casual attire

Sunday, August 15 -- NORTEX QUARTERLY MEETING

Where: Swingtime Center, 5100 SE Loop 820 Ft. Worth TX Time: 2:00pm

Wednesday, August 18: Plus 4's

Where: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church, 12411 Templeton Trail, Farmers Branch Time: "A" Dance 6:30, Plus Dance 7:30 Caller: Charles Quisenberry Bring your own snacks and Drinks, Casual attire

Round Dance Lessons Schedule

JL and Linda Pelton

JL and Linda will be offering two classes starting in September: Jive on Saturdays in the middle of the day and Rumba on Tuesday evenings. Classes will be held at Carpenter Recreation Center, 6701 Coit Road, Plano in the downstairs multi-purpose room.

Here are the start dates of each class along with the course # needed to sign up.

- Beginning Jive Saturday Mornings Starts Saturday, September 18 11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Course #38869
- Beginning Rumba Tuesday Evenings Starts Tuesday, September 21 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Course #40597

You can sign up through the Plano Parks and Recreation Catalog online, or you can register by calling the center at 972-208-8087.

Both classes finish in mid-November before the Thanksgiving holidays.

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

Prayers are needed for Debbie Perrone, long time member of the Texas Reelers. Her husband, Paul, passed away on Monday. Paul and Debbie were frequent visitors to the Swinging Stars for many years. Debbie did an excellent imitation of Patsy Cline. Debbie is planning a Celebration of Life for everyone who would like to attend. If you would like to contact Debbie, e-mail Lucy Hamm for her address.

Please continue to keep Swinging Stars member, Mary Hardin, in your thoughts and prayers.

Special dates to put on your calendar

Sunday, September 12th Club Picnic at Hoblitzelle Park Pavilion in Plano (7500 Red River Drive). Friday October 29, 2021 – NTCA 2021 Caller's Cavalcade Saturday October 30, 2021 – NORTEX 2021 Round-Up

Web Master Dave Burson

Be sure to check out our web page: <u>www.swingingstars.org</u>

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: <u>newsletter_editor@swingingstars.org</u> Anything sent to that email address will go to the **President of the Swinging Stars** and to the **Newsletter Editor** (Dave Burson).

Dave Burson Newsletter Editor Swinging Stars Email: <u>newsletter_editor@swingingstars.org</u> Phone: 972-396-0941

See Flyer below



Bobby Willis JL Pelton

Hawaiian Dance on Friday, Aug. 13, 2021 Regular Dance on Friday, Aug. 27, 2021

<u>New Location</u>: Grace Church: 2005 Estates Parkway, Lucas, TX 75002 (Enter around back.)

Early Rounds7:00Squares Refresher7:30Grand March8:00

* Casual summer attire-Shorts are fine.*
* Please bring your own

food and drinks.*

For Info: 972-964-5979 or President@swingingstars.org Visit our Web Site: www.swingingstars.org

Dancers Under 18 Free When Accompanied By A Paying Adult

