

Newsletter for August 04, 2019 Casual Summer Attire June thru August

Message from Presidents David and Peggy Edwards

Swinging Stars,

We had a great time dancing with the Texas Reelers, Friday night. We captured their banner, and they promised to come get it back.

We are having our quarterly board meeting Sunday August 4th at our house at 3 p.m. We have several issues to cover including the welfare of our club. We currently have 96 active due paying members. While we want to grow our club through new membership, it is the visitors where we make our money. We are enlisting your help in trying to increase the number of visitors to our club, anything you can do would be greatly appreciated.

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 September 3 Ralph and Lucy Hamm, Lessons Chairman

This fall's square dance lessons are just a month away! It's time for all of us to think about who we can invite into this wonderful pastime we enjoy so much. At this Friday's club dance, we'll have materials to help you communicate information about lessons and the benefits of square dancing to your friends and neighbors. Be sure to get your packet.

In the meantime, please post a message about our lessons on <u>nextdoor.com</u>. Instructions for doing this were sent to you in an email from the President on August 1 (Thursday).

Let's Talk Turkey Double Deal Dance Karen and Mark Hawkins, Double Deal Dance Chair

It's difficult to think about Thanksgiving when temperatures are near one hundred but the next few months will be a busy time for the Swinging Stars. We have the Pre-Round-Up Dance on September 13 and Round-Up on October 25/26. Mark and I will be out of town for the October 11 dance. So I want to begin planning the Double Deal Dance now. The dance will be very similar to an Anniversary Dance so we will need the help of all of our club members, both on committees and to bring food. I will bring signup sheets to the August 9 dance. I hope to line up committee chairmen at that time. In addition to the regular committees (decorations, greeters, registration, signatures, honey pot, food and beverage service) we will be having a Tin Can Auction. Anne and Russ Nejdl are in charge and will need helpers throughout the evening.

The theme is "Let's Talk Turkey" so decorating should be very easy. I welcome any and all ideas and decorations. Also, Anne is still collecting items for the auction. Let her know if you would like to donate. It should be great fun!

If you know now how you would like to be involved please call or text me at 214-537-0446 or email me at <u>markt.karenl@gmail.com</u>.

Thank you in advance for all of your support, Karen and Mark Hawkins

Happening This Week

Wednesday August 7 – Plus 4's Dance

Caller: Charles Quisenberry Time: A dancing at 6:15, Plus at 7:30to 9:30 Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church, 12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

Thursday August 8 – Double Plus – Pre Round up dance

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

Friday August 9 – Swinging Stars Regular Club Dance

The second Friday of the month is always Square Workshop. This is a very good opportunity to brush up on your mainstream dancing skills and also maybe add a little speed to your dancing.

Caller: Bobby Willis Cuer: Walter Brewer Time: Workshop 7:00, Plus Tip 7:45, Grand March 8:00

Saturday August 10 – Dixie Chainers – Pre Round up Dance Deep in the heart of Texas – Official Visitation.

Caller: Bobby Willis Cuer: Jack von de Heide Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Square workshop 7:00, Grand March 7:30 Location: Christ United Methodist Church 2807 Valwood, Farmers Branch Note: 2-Signature dance, For the evening some sort of Texas or western attire. Square dance attire is also welcome.

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

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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
Lone Star Solos	7/25/2019
Texas Reelers	8/02/2019
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Swinging Stars Banners Out

Date Captured

* * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * *

Sunday July 28 – Harvest Holiday, Summer Fun Rounds

Eight Swinging Stars visited Harvest Holiday for their pre-Round-Up dance on Sunday, 28July, at Swingtime Center in Ft. Worth. Phase II-IV cuing was done by area cuers including: Jan Toms, Barbara Yeargan, Jack Kenney, Jack von der Heide, Christine Hixson, Karen Gloodt, and JL Pelton. The Swinging Stars at the dance were the Bondis, DeLukes, Perrotts, and the Pitts. The Peltons were also at the dance as cuers. Thanks to Bob Pitts for the report.

Wednesday July 31 – Plus 4's Dance

We had 6 Swinging Stars attending the dance. Thank you to the Bursons, Sees and Stuarts.

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

12 Swinging Stars attended the Texas Reelers Mad Hatter Dance Friday - capturing their banner. Deborah Carroll-Jones called the squares while wearing a different hat for each set of tips and Chris Farabaugh cued rounds. Thank you to the Swinging Stars in attendance: Edwards, M. Hardin, Morrises, Nestors, R. Pehrson, M. Mae, Sees, and C. Wolfe. Thanks to Ron See for the report.

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

More than 10 squares participated in this high energy dance at Swingtime Center in Fort Worth. The fast paced square dance tips were called by recently married Mike Seastrom from California joined by club caller Melton Luttrell on 2-3 of 7 tips and Mike was accompanied by his wife Lisa on one singing call. Dance level was mainstream with an occasional plus call and 2 announced plus tips. The clear and timely round dance tips were expertly cued by Jan Toms. The flowing round dance choreography was announced phase-4 and below. The dancers included many local callers, members from more than 12 clubs from the area and as far away as Cedar Park, TX as well as one Swinging Stars couple, Tom & Vicki Evanto. Thanks to Tom Evanto for the report.

* * * COMING EVENTS * * *

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This is Quiz's regular plus dance night. Caller: Charles Quisenberry Time: A dancing at 6:15, Plus at 7:30to 9:30 Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church, 12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

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.

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Saturday August 10 – Dixie Chainers – Pre Round up Dance Deep in the heart of Texas – Official Visitation.

This is one of the dances in a series of dances to spread the word about the Round up dance coming up in October. In addition to having fun and fellowship with the square dancers attending, there is also a workshop where Bobby reviews the calls to make each of us better dancers. For the round dancers there are Early rounds for more floor time to practice your round dancing skills.

Caller: Bobby Willis

Cuer: Jack von de Heide

Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Square workshop 7:00, Grand March 7:30 Location: Christ United Methodist Church 2807 Valwood, Farmers Branch Note: 2-Signature dance, For the evening some sort of Texas or western attire. Square dance attire is also welcome.

Friday August 16 – Kissin Kuzzins – Ice Cream Social – Of Interest Visitation

Here we go with a great duo of for an evening of fun dancing. You always know that there is going to be a lot of good dancing when Mike is doing the calling and JL is cueing the rounds. Please don't miss the evening of good dancing. And the Ice cream will be good too!

Caller: Mike Bramlett Cuer: JL Pelton Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Mainstream Workshop 7:30m, Grand March 8:00 Location: Garland Senior Activity Center, 600 Avenue A Garland Note: Dress is casual.

Saturday 17 – Trailblazers – Theme, Dancing on the Beach – Pre Round up

Sounds like fun! I would say from information in the ad on Page 13 of the August Promenade that casual attire would be the attire for this dance.

Caller: Charles Quisenberry

Cuer: Jack Kenny

Time: Advanced rounds 6:30, S/D rounds 7:00, Refreshments Served at 7:30, S/D Workshop 7:30, Grand March: 8:00

Location: Swingtime Center, 5100 SE Loop 820 @ Anglin Dr. Fort Worth. TX. Note: 2-Signature dance, Official Visitation

Wednesday August 21 – Plus 4's Dance

This is Quiz's regular plus dance night.

Caller: Charles Quisenberry Time: A dancing at 6:15, Plus at 7:30to 9:30 Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church, 12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

Friday August 23 – Swinging Stars Theme Dance – Flash back to School Days

Support the Shepard Elementary School with Donations of School Supplies. This is a small way of showing our appreciation for the use of their school. We will be accepting Kleenex, Glue Sticks, Markers, Sandwich Bags, Blunt Scissors, and Post-it notes. The fourth Friday of the month is Early Rounds at the Swinging Stars. You will have floor time to work on perfecting the various rhythms that you have learned.

Caller: Bobby Willis

Cuer: Walter Brewer

Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus Tip 7:45, Grand March: 8:00

Note: We will still be selling tickets for the Picture Raffle at this dance and the September 13th dance. Tickets are 1 for \$1.00, 3 for \$2.00 and 10 for \$5.00. What a deal! Where else would you be able purchase a Beautiful Picture by an acclaimed artist for so little.

August 24 – Cotton Pickin' Squares – Deep in the heart of Greenville – Pre Round up Dance – An of Interest Visitation

All of these pre Round up dances are important to attend. If we want to have dancers visit our club me must visit the other clubs in NORTEX. Square dancers all support each others Clubs.

Caller: Mike Bramlett

Cuer: Christine Hixson

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

Location: Rec.Center 10001 Jack Finney, Greenville, Texas

Note: 2-Signature dance, Pre Round up Attire is Texas or Western style and of Course Square dance attire is welcome.

August 31 – Roadrunners 48th Anniversary Barn Dance.

We all like to attend Anniversary dances, but this is going to be a special one and you won't want to miss. There is always so much going on and the dinners are yummy. Aside from that there is going to be a terrific and funny caller to keep the excitement going. Anniversary dances are usually mainstream with announced plus. So much fun, don't miss it.

Caller: Tim Tyl Cuer: Karen Gloodt Time: Early rounds 7:00, All Plus 7:30, Grand March 8:00 Location: Swingtime Center, 5100 SE Loop 820 @ Anglin Dr. Fort Worth. TX

* * 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 <u>1stvp@swingingstars.org</u>.). If you have additional questions, call or text Mark (214.536.5863) or Karen Hawkins (214.537.0446) or email <u>markt.karenl@gmail.com</u>.

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 <u>markt.karenl@gmail.com</u> of the change.

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)
October 11 – Gifford, McClaskey, Rose, Zhang (Theme – Ghost Busters Costume Dance)
October 25/26 – Callers Cavalcade / Round-Up
November 8 – Colter, Bushell/Rock, Pitts, Sperry
November 22 – All club members participate - Double Deal Dance (Theme – Let's Talk Turkey)
December 13 – Nejdl, Cave, Perhson/Mae, Perrott (Theme – Santa's Workshop – Donate Gifts/Money)

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

We are all enjoying the cooler weather, which is unusual for August. Next Friday night will be our next Swinging Stars dance...hope to see many of you dancing then.

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 <u>harris0907@sbcglobal.net</u> or phone 214-348-5361.

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.

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

Dave Burson

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

See Flyer below

Flashback to School Days August 23, 2019 Swinging Stars Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano, TX Meet our NEW Club Caller: Bobby Willis

Club Cuer: Walter Brewer

- 🖈 Honey Pot
- * Banners
- ★ Refreshments ★ Solo Board
- nts Early Rounds: Plus Tip: Grand March:

7:00 pm 7:45 pm 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



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Thank You!

Please bring: