



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for August 14, 2022

Message from Presidents

John and Debbie Cave

The board met and turned over the officers. Russ and Anne have served the club well, along with David and Lorraine. Please be sure to give both couples a well-deserved “thank you” for serving on the Board. Also give Sara and Nevin a high-five next time you check in for their continued service to the club as Treasurers.

We had a great Double Deal dance with Tim Tyl and KO Jeanes at the Richardson Senior Center. We had 7 squares in the workshop and 10 squares for the Grand March. There were 10 couples dancing to Chris Farabaugh’s cueing. Overall, we had 84 visitors and 36 Swinging Stars in attendance. Nevin had a smile on his face! There were 12 different clubs in attendance. We will need to visit them to retrieve our banners.

Square Dance Tip of the Week - While dancing, hand holds are very important, but please be gentle. Dancers need to establish contact with adjacent dancers in their formation, as it is the way in which dancers guide each other, since no one can be alert every second; however, you should hold on loosely so the other dancers can get away if they are supposed to move and you don't realize it. When doing arm turn calls (left allemande, turn thru, etc.) grip lightly the forearm not the elbow. In waves, gently touch fingers and palms to adjacent dancers. Don't grab thumbs.

John & Debbie Cave

Lessons Report

From Ralph and Lucy Hamm

David led another excellent lesson on Monday, August 8, challenging and entertaining the students and angels with some new calls and lots of practice on commonly called patterns.

Thanks to the following members who served as angels: Peggy Amy, Bergesens, Bursons, Lucy Hamm, Harris, and Sees.

Dance Setup & Takedown

From Bob & Janet Rodgers

In the board meeting on July 31 2022, it was decided to develop a list of Members for Dance setup and takedown. We are trying to spread the load so each of us only has to help about 2 or 3 times a year. The Rodgers will be there to help setup and give directions at each dance.

If you are unable to do your assigned date, please find someone to trade with and notify the Rodgers, who it is at 951-536-7189.

We will start setting up at 7:00PM

Dance Date	Setup & Takedown Crews	
Aug 26, 2022	P. Amy/ L. Bushel	Trujillo
Sep 9, 2022	Bergesen	Stewart
Sep 23, 2022	Burson	See
Oct 14, 2022	Cave	Rodgers
Nov 11, 2022	Rodgers	Nestor
Dec 9, 2022	Deluke	Kilejian
Jan 13, 2023	Edwards	Nejdl
Jan 27, 2023	Hamm	Harris

2nd VP Report

From Ron and Donita See

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
Circle I	8/13/2022

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Trailblazers	4/30/2022
Tri-City Promenaders	08/12/2022
Kissin Kuzzins	08/12/2022
Texas Reelers	08/12/2022

Most NORTEX clubs have resumed dancing. Most clubs that have resumed dancing have ads in the *Promenade*. To reach the **August Promenade**, click here:

<http://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2022-08-Promenade.pdf>

EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

Of Interest Club Visitation

Saturday, August 13 -- Circle I -- Crazy Dance

The Circle I club had a lot of crazy attire at their crazy-themed dance. Ray Savell, the club caller, and Chris Farabaugh, the club cuer, called to 76 dancers. There were 8 squares in the grand march. The Swinging Stars had 3 couples attending: the Bursons, Rodgers, and the Sees. The club received a signature toward their 1080 patch and recaptured their banner.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

Thursday, August 18 Swinging Stars Ladies Luncheon.

To be honest I forgot to find someone to host the August Ladies Luncheon. So I decided to do it myself. I have chosen The Chocolate Angel in Plano. I have reserved August 18 at 11:30.

For those of you that are not familiar with the Chocolate Angel, it is a very nice place for our ladies to meet and have a nice lunch together. The Chocolate Angel is inside the High Street Antique Mall at the Northeast corner of Central Expressway and Plano Parkway. They have really unique food and it is reasonably priced. Once you have finished dinning you can browse the antiques. You will have a wonderful time. Please reply to me at Lorraine@Bursons.us or 972-396-0941 by August 16th to let

me know you would like to go to lunch. I am going to invite the lady students to this luncheon, so I think it would be nice if as many Swinging Star Ladies Members that can would try to attend. You can check out their menu by going to <http://chocolateangel.com>.

Of Interest Club Visitation

Friday, August 19 – Texas Reelers – Kitty Cat Carnival

Where: Richardson Senior Center -- 820 W Arapaho Rd, Richardson.

Club Caller: Deborah Carroll Jones and Jon Jones

Club Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

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

Note: See Page 30 of the August Promenade for more information.

Of Interest Club Visitation

Saturday, August 20 – Rebel Rousers – M & M Dance

Where: Richardson Senior Center -- 820 W Arapaho Rd, Richardson.

Club Caller: Mike Bramlett

Club Cuer: Christine Hixson

Time: Rounds 7:00, Plus Fun Shop 7:30, Dance 8:00

Note: See Page 31 of the August Promenade for more information.

Friday, August 26 – Swinging Stars – Welcome Charlie

Where: Elks Lodge -- 1111 Jupiter Rd #105B, Plano

Caller: Charlie Robertson

Cuer: Jan Toms

Time: Rounds 7:30, Square Up 8:00

Note: Bring your own snacks and water. Casual dress.

See page 34 of the August Promenade for more information

*** * * OTHER EVENTS * * ***

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

Please keep Anna and Charles Wolfe in your thoughts and prayers. Anna was admitted to Richardson Memorial Hospital last Tuesday with Septic Pneumonia. The doctors were successful in treating the pneumonia with antibiotics that saved her life. She is very weak. She was scheduled to be transferred to a Plano rehabilitation facility on Sunday for further treatment. Cards for Anna and Charles can be sent to their current address: 1493 Richardson Drive #222, Richardson, Texas 75080. Please note the change of address from the club roster.

"The purpose of life is not to just be happy. It is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well". Ralph Waldo Emerson

Round Dancer information

From Lucy Hamm

The following information could be of interest to round dancers and particularly those who belong to Carousel round dance clubs. ICBDA (International Choreographed Ballroom Dance Association) began certifying, and recognizing Carousel round dance clubs many years ago. There are currently 65 Carousel Clubs in the association. These clubs must meet standards of teaching of round dancing at the intermediate and advanced levels of dancing and promote a common group of dances recognized across the dance community. Leaders submit reports of dances taught and choose

favorite dances each month. These reports publicize dances taught across the country and around the world. Votes are taken monthly. 14 US states, 3 other countries and Washington DC have one club each. Four US states and Sweden have two clubs. Florida, Oregon, and Washington have three clubs. Arizona and Colorado have four clubs. California and Texas have 8 clubs each. The DFW area has 3 Carousel clubs.

For the month of July, 2 dances were tied for #1. They were a phase 6 foxtrot "I'm Beginning to See the Light", choreographed by internationally known Randy and Marie Preskitt of Everett, Washington and "Lariat of Dreams" choreographed by DFW area's JL and Linda Pelton of Dallas, Texas.

Special dates to put on your calendar

Friday, October 14, 2022 **Swinging Stars Round Up Theme Dance**.

Friday, October 28, 2022, **NTCA Caller's Cavalcade**

Saturday, October 29, 2022, **NORTEX 2022 Round-Up**

Friday, December 2, 2022, 5:30 PM **Swinging Stars Holiday Party** at Elks Lodge.

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.

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:

newsletter_editor@swingingstars.org 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

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See Flyer below



SWINGING STARS

August 26th

Welcome Charlie



Charlie Robertson
New Caller



Jan Toms
Guest Cuer

Hospitality
Room
After Dance

Casual Dress

Banners
Honey Pot
Singles Board



New Time

Early Rounds 7:30
Square Up 8:00

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