Newsletter for August 26th, 2018

Message from the President

Dave and Lorraine Burson

Information about our Double Deal Dance. It's time to start thinking about our Double Deal Dance coming up November 30. Like our Anniversary dance, the Double Deal Dance is a fundraiser for the club. November seems like a long time away, but planning needs to start now. The dance will be at Shepherd Elementary School with Callers Wayne and Quiz, and Cuer Walter. We will have the Cafeteria and the Gym, so we will have plenty of room. Let's put on a great dance!

Wendy and Bill Perrott will chair the Double Deal Dance and need members to let them know how they'll contribute. All club members are expected to contribute food, sign up to chair or be part of a committee, and help clean up after the dance. If you know you won't be able to participate please let them know, and make a small donation. The extra money will go to compensate members who are bringing extra.

Wendy and Bill will be contacting some of you to help as committee chairs and some helpful folks have already volunteered. Chairmen are still needed for Greeters, Registration/Sign in, Food Service Attendants, Honey Pot, and Cleanup. All volunteers are welcome, so feel free to contact them and say, "I would like volunteer for one of the committees or a chair position." Sign up sheets will be at our dances soon for committee sign up and for food contributions. If we all participate, this will be a wonderful Double Deal Dance. Thank you!

Reminding you about our Location change. Please don't forget that our Freaky Friday Dance on October 26 and our November 9 Dance with a Guest Cuer Karen Gloodt will be at an alternate school location, Sigler Elementary school Located at 1400 Janwood Dr, Plano. Linda Harris Dave and I went to view the school and decided that it will do well for us to have both of the location changes dates at this very nice school. It is a very interesting set up there; the Gym and Cafeteria are divided with a stage. Our contract with PISD is in effect from August 1, 2018 until July 31, 2019. For some reason they want to use the school for school activities. Hum, imagine that! The school location is not far from where we regularly dance and is easy to find. Janwood Dr. is west of Alma just south of 15th Street. The following is a link to the Google Maps for that location: https://goo.gl/maps/wYsLwWcaxPQ2

3rd Quarter Dues are Past due!!

The 3rd quarter started July 1st for the Swinging Stars. That means that it is time to pay dues again. If you have not paid your 3rd quarter dues you can bring your dues to the next dance or you can mail your dues to our club Treasurer Linda and Charlie Harris, 9434 Hilldale Drive, Dallas 75231-2702. If you are not sure if you have paid the 3rd quarter dues you can check with Linda at 214-534-7632.

Report on the Square Dance Lessons

Lucy and Ralph Hamm

There's only one week left to get your recruits for lessons!

We start a week from Tuesday on September 4 upstairs in Carpenter Rec. Center, 7:30 to 9:30PM. The lessons on September 4 and 11 are free, so anyone who might be interested can come and see what square dancing is like before committing to sign up for the lessons. So follow up with anyone you may have mentioned the lessons to and encourage them to come, and keep making contact with friends and neighbors you haven't already talked to.

These lessons are very important to our club! We've lost quite a few members over the last few years. The only way to reverse this trend is to get new people in, and the way we do that is through lessons. Every one of us needs to do all we can to bring new people in to our lessons and keep our club strong.

Request from our Round Dance Cuer

Walter Brewer

As you all know, most of you dance with other cuers and you have favorite round dances, which I don't cue. So . . . in order for me to help enhance your enjoyment at Swinging Stars dances; would each of you send me (via email) a list of five (5) dances, which you'd like for me to add to my repertoire. Now this is each person send a list - not each couple. This is because I know that no couple is 100% of the same mind. No collusion please. And when you submit your list - please place the dances in preferred order, not alphabetical.

Cheers, Walter Brewer r.dancers@att.net

Happening This Week

Wednesday, Aug 29th - Plus 4s

Charles Quiseberry- 7:30 PM Plus

Friday, Aug 31st – Texas Reelers – 43rd Anniversary – Yellow Brick Road

Banner Retrieval & Raid

Jerry Gilbreath, Deborah Carroll-Jones, Jon Jones & Chris Farabaugh

7:00 PM Early Rounds – 7:45 PM Plus - 8:00 PM Grand March

Saturday, Sep 1st – Circle I – Fall Foliage & Football – Banner Raid

Ray Savell & Chris Farabaugh -

6:40 PM Line - 7:00 PM Plus - 7:30 PM Grand March

2nd VP Report

From Ron and Donita See

There are three chances to enjoy dancing this coming week. Be sure to attend the Texas Reelers Anniversary dance to enjoy guest caller Jerry Gilbreath and to retrieve our banner.

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
Dixie Chainers	23. Jun. 2018
Kissin' Kuzzins	6. Jul. 2018
Rebel Rousers	21. Jul. 2018

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Texas Reelers	24. Aug. 2018

* * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * *

Dixie Chainers, Saturday, August 25th

9 Swinging Stars traveled to the Dixie Chainers Saturday evening for their Ice Cream Social Dance. Bobby Willis was the caller and Jack von der Heide was the cuer. Bobby and Jack did a great job of providing an entertaining evening of calling/cueing, and root beer floats or coke floats were provided to all who attended. The Swinging Stars in attendance were: Bursons, Feldmans, Hamms, M. Hardin, and the Sees.

Cotton Pickin' Squares, Saturday, August 25th

8 Swinging Stars attended the Cotton Pickin Squares pre-Round-Up dance Saturday evening 8/25/2018. Christine Hixson cued great early rounds and then square-intermittent rounds thereafter. Caller Mike Bramlett countered with 2 hours of entertaining and energetic squares, including one Plus tip, during the event. The dance was well attended, the prepared eats were delicious, and a good time was had by all. Swinging Stars present included Bondis, Edwards, Evantos, and Pitts, earning us another club visitation. (Since we already have their banner, we declined taking another.) Thanks to Jim Bondi for this report.

* * * COMING EVENTS * * *

Plus 4s

Date: Wednesday, 29Aug18
Caller: Charles Quisenberry

Time: PL - 7:30PM

Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

Texas Reelers – Yellow Brick Road – Banner Retrieval & Raid

Date: Friday, 31Aug18

Caller: Jerry Gilbreath, Deborah Carroll-Jones, and Jon Jones

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

Time: ER - 7:00PM / GM – 8:00PM Location: Richardson Senior Center

820 W Arapaho, Richardson

Note: Anniversary dance, Banner Retrieval & Raid

Circle I – Fall Foliage & Football

Date: Saturday, 1Sep18

Caller: Ray Savell

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

Time: Line – 6:40PM, Plus - 7:00PM, GM – 7:30PM

Location: Senter Park East

228 Chamberlain, Irving

Note: Banner Raid

Plus 4s

Date: Wednesday, 5Sep18 Caller: Charles Quisenberry

Time: PL - 7:30PM

Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

Kissin' Kuzzins - Kaleidoscope of Colors Pre-Roundup Dance

Date: Friday, 7Sep18 Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: JL Pelton

Time: ER – 7:00PM, GM – 8:00PM Location: Garland Senior Activity Center

600 Ave A, Garland

Note: Pre-Roundup dance, 2-signature

Dixie Chainers – Happy Grandparents Day

Date: Saturday, 8Sep18

Caller: Tim Tyl

Cuer: Jack von der Heide

Time: ER/WS – 7:00PM, GM – 7:30PM Location: Farmers Branch Senior Center

14055 Dennis Lane, Farmers Branch

Swinging Stars - Friday, Sept 14th

Caller: Wayne Baldwin
Cuer: Walter Brewer

Time: WS - 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

Rebel Rousers - Kaleidoscope of Colors Pre-Roundup Dance

Date: Saturday, 15Sep18
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: Pre-Roundup dance, 2-signature

Plus 4s

Date: Wednesday, 19Sep18
Caller: Charles Quisenberry

Time: PL - 7:30PM

Location: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

Note: Pre-Roundup dance, 2-signature

Texas Reelers -Kaleidoscope of Colors Pre-Roundup Dance

Date: Friday, 21Sep18

Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones, Jon Jones

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

Time: ER - 7:30PM / GM – 8:00PM Location: Richardson Senior Center

820 W Arapaho, Richardson

Note: Pre-Roundup dance, 2-signature

Tri-City Promenaders - Kaleidoscope of Colors Pre-Roundup Dance

Date: Saturday, 22Sep18

Caller: Ray Savell

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

Time: ER – 7:00PM, Plus - 7:30PM, GM – 8:00PM

Location: Swingtime Center

5100 E. Loop 820, Fort Worth

Note: Pre-Roundup dance, 2-signature

Swinging Stars – Friday, Sept 28th

Theme: Kaleidoscope of Colors Pre-Roundup Dance

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: Pre-Roundup dance, 2-signature for Guests

Roadrunners – 47th Anniversary Barn Dance

Date: Saturday, 29Sep18

Caller: Nelda Eaton Cuer: Karen Gloodt

Time: ER – 7:00PM, Plus - 7:30PM, GM – 8:00PM

Location: Swingtime Center

5100 E. Loop 820, Fort Worth

Note: 2-signature, Banner Raid

Other Events:

23rd Annual Evening in Paris, 31Aug-1Sep

If you are interested in attending the Evening in Paris weekend please let us know asap (email: 2ndvp@swingingstars.org). There are 2 dance halls and the dancing will include Plus, Advance, DBD, and hot hash. The callers are: Ken Bower, Gary Shoemake, Mike Bramlett, and Hunter Keller. The cuer is Martha Kosloski. This is a fun weekend getaway that is usually well attended by our club. There is a club rebate if enough Swinging Stars attend and we need to send our payments together. Details are described in the August Promenade, pages 12-13. Checks are to be made out to "Evening in Paris 2018" and registration forms and checks should be given/mailed to Ron or Donita See by August 12th.

Ladies Luncheon – Sept 19th

Reservations have been confirmed for our September Ladies Luncheon by our hostess Mary Hardin. We are to meet at The Cheesecake Factory in Watters Creek Shopping Area at 820 Central Expressway on Wednesday, September 19th at our usual time, 11:30. Please RSVP before September 17th to Mary by phone or text at: 214-632-4230, email: mrhardin@gmail.com, or home phone: 972-517-8691. The Cheesecake Factory website says their story begins when Evelyn Overton opened a small cheesecake shop to market her original cheesecake recipe in Detroit Michigan in the 1940's. She eventually had over 20 cheesecake recipes and they are still delicious today!!!

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.

September 14 – **See**, Colter, Lassiter, Rickert

September 28 – **Hawkins**, Amy, Covington, Goebel, Hamm, Hawkins, Pharr, Zhang (Theme – Pre Round-Up Kaleidoscope of Colors)

October 12 – **Heintz**, Bondi, Kilejian, Trujillo

October 26 – **Stewart**, Deluke, Edwards, Feldman (Theme - Freaky Friday Costume Dance)

Workshops, Easy Practice and Exhibition Dances

Round Dance Lessons update from JL and Linda Pelton

Yes -- we're "WALTZING INTO PLANO" on September 8 -- the class name has been changed online. So you now only have to remember Beginning Waltz.

The class number is #11243 and has not changed.

You can sign up now for our Beginning Waltz Class -- everyone always says they want to learn waltz -- so come on out and join us. We guarantee a fun class while you learn to move those feet to the graceful rhythm that is waltz. Sign up now through Plano Parks and Recreation through the online catalog or give the rec center as call directly at 972-208-8087 -- Hope to see you there!

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 remaining schedule for August. August 27th. Starts at 7:00pm until 9:00pm

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

Some Swinging Stars members' trivia notes:

Largest number of anniversaries June (11) Least number of anniversaries April (1) Largest number of birthdays September (21) Least number of birthdays July (6) Most popular anniversary day June 1 (3) Most popular birthday September 5 (5)

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 28, 2018 Swinging Stars Pre Round up Dance Friday October 19, 2018 NTCA Caller's Cavalcade Saturday October 20, 2018 NORTEX Round-Up Friday, November 9, 2018 Guest Cuer Karen Gloodt. Friday November 30, 2018 Swinging Stars Double Deal Dance Saturday December 8, 2018 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

Swinging Stars Kaleidoscope of Colors Pre Round-Up Dance

September 28 2018



Shepard Elementary School

1000 Wilson Dr. Plano

Teen under 18 dance for free when accompanied by a paying adult

For Info: 972-396-0941 President@swingingstars.org