

Newsletter for August 28, 2022

Message from Presidents

John and Debbie Cave

We had a great "Welcome Charlie" dance with 6 squares and many round dance couples on the floor. We welcomed Charlie and Kristi Robertson to the Swinging Stars and enjoyed time with them in the after party. Jan and David Toms led the round dancers for early rounds and enjoyed dancing during the tips, too. Triangle Squares visited in force and received our banner. They brought their caller team, Toby and Judy Thomason, who also enjoyed dancing to Charlie's calling. We had two of our student dancers join us and they did very well and had fun in the tips they danced. Overall, we had 25 guests and 34 Swinging stars for a total of 59 dancers on a tight set of squares.

Speaking of tight spaces, the board is looking at a new dance location, which will allow us more room and encourage additional guests to join us on a given week. We will provide details as we firm up the transition plan.

Square Dance Tip of the Week – Remember our guests and help them feel welcomed and valued. Please try to greet them and thank them for coming to dance with us. If you are in a square and a guest couple is left out, please make way for them, and sit out if necessary. Remember they paid to dance so we want them to enjoy the dance. Also try to ensure that our solo dancers get time on the floor.

John & Debbie Cave

Lessons Report From Ralph and Lucy Hamm

The students are coming along great! You'll have the opportunity to see for yourself soon at new dancer dances.

Thanks to the following members who served as angels last Monday: Peggy Amy, Bergesens, Bursons, Covingtons, Harrises, Sees, and Stewarts. And a special thanks to the Harrises for handling the administrative trivia in our absence!

Dance Setup & Takedown

From Bob & Janet Rodgers

Thank you Peggy Amy, Chris and Merry Trujillo for helping with the setup and takedown at our dance on Friday. With your help we were able to have a great dance for our club and all our guests.

Please see the setup and takedown schedule through the end of January 2023. Bob and I plan to be at each dance to help with setup and takedown.

If you are unable to do your schedules date, please find someone to trade with and let Janet know at (951) 536-7189 either by text or phone call.

We will start setting up at 7:00PM Thank you Bob and Janet Rodgers

Dance Date	Setup & Takedown Crews	
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
Rebel Rousers	8/20/2022

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Trailblazers	4/30/2022
Tri-City Promenaders	8/12/2022
Kissin Kuzzins	8/12/2022
Triangle Squares	08/26/2022

Most NORTEX clubs have resumed dancing. Most clubs that have resumed dancing have ads in the *Promenade*. To reach the September *Promenade*, click here: http://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2022-09-Promenade.pdf

EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

No visitation reports.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

Friday, September 2 – Texas Reelers – Cowboy/Cowgirl Dance

Where: Richardson Senior Center - - 820 W Arapaho, Richardson
Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones, Jon Jones
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: Rounds 7:30, Grand March 8:00
Note: See page 19 of the September Promenade for more information

Saturday, September 3 – Dixie Chainers – Pirate Dance

Where: Christ United Methodist Church - 2807 Valwood Pkwy, Farmers Branch
Caller: Bill Hinkley
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: Rounds 7:00, Square Up 7:30
Note: See page 22 of the September Promenade for more information

Friday, September 9 – Swinging Stars – Feed the Need

Where: Elks Lodge - - 1111 Jupiter Rd #105B, Plano
Caller: Charlie Robertson
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: Rounds 7:30, Square Up 8:00
Note: See page 31 of the September Promenade for more information

Saturday, September 10 – Circle I – Round Up Theme Dance

Where: Senter Park East - - 1000 Senter Road, Irving
Caller: Ray Savell
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: Rounds 7:00, Grand March 8:00
Note: Two signature dance. See page 32 of the September Promenade for more information

Thursday, September 15 Swinging Stars Ladies Luncheon.

The September Ladies Luncheon is being hosted by Nina Lassiter. She has chosen Thursday Sept. 15 at 11:30. The luncheon will be at Salsa Tex Mex. The address is 3020 Legacy Dr. Suite 130, in the shopping center on the Southwest corner of Legacy and Independence Blvd. in Plano. Please send RSVPs to Nina Lassiter via text or email <u>ninalassiter@gmail.com</u> by Tuesday, September 13.

Salsa's advertising says, "Upbeat restaurant providing familiar Tex-Mex standards & margaritas in many flavors". They have a large menu of Tex-Mex favorites, soups, salads and even desserts. Yumm, I can't wait.

Please reply to Nina Lassiter. Not to Lorraine.

Nina Lassiter' Phone #214-769-6032

Friday, September 16 – Kissin' Kuzzins – Round Up Theme Dance

Where: Fields Recreation Center - 1701 Dairy Road, Garland
Caller: Mike Bramlett
Cuer: JL Pelton
Time: Rounds 7:00, M/S Workshop 7:30, Grand March 8:00
Note: Two signature dance.

See page 35 of the September Promenade for more information

Saturday, September 17 – Rebel Rousers – Sock Hop

Where: Richardson Senior Center - - 820 W Arapaho, Richardson
Caller: Mike Bramlett
Cuer: Christine Hixson
Time: Rounds 7:00, Plus Fun Shop 7:30, Dance 8:00
Note: See page 39 of the September Promenade for more information

Friday, September 23 – Swinging Stars – New Dancer Dance

Where: Elks Lodge - - 1111 Jupiter Rd #105B, Plano
Caller: Charlie Robertson
Cuer: Jan Toms
Time: Rounds 7:30, Square Up 8:00
Note: See page 31 of the September Promenade for more information

Saturday, September 24 – Tri-City Promenaders – Roaring 20s/Round Up Theme

Where: Brookside Center - - 1244 Brookside Drive, Hurst
Caller: Ray Savell
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: Rounds 7:00, Plus 7:30, Grand March 8:00
Note: Two signature dance. See page 44 of the September Promenade for more information

* * * OTHER EVENTS * * *

Thursday, Sept 1 – Sunday, Sept 4, Evening in Paris

Where: Love Civic Center - - 2025 S. Collegiate Drive, Paris TX
Callers: Gary Shoemake, Ken Bower, Tony Oxendine, Buddy Weaver, Darryl Lipscomb
Guest Caller: Tim Tyl
Cuer: Jan and David Toms
Time: Thursday 7 pm - 10 pm
Friday, Saturday 9 am – 4 pm
Sunday 10 am – 11:30 am

Sunday, September 25 – Harvest Holiday – Autumn Fun Rounds

Where: Swingtime Center - - 5100 SE Loop 820, Fort Worth
Cuer: Area Instructors
Teach: Karen Gloodt
Time: Rounds 2:00 - 5:30 PM
Note: Phases 2, 3, and 4 See page 45 of the September Promenade for more information

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

Ralph and I would like to thank the dancers who welcomed us back after Ralph's illness. June 1st was the beginning of our loss of two dancing months. It is great to be back to really dancing again. We are rusty with Plus calls and some jives in round dancing but we are ready to move on. Last Friday was a great time to be dancing with Swinging Stars. Charlie Robertson was such a good caller. Jan Toms was animated and working hard to read the floor. We had some returning round dance couples who had been away and appreciated her efforts.

Two students from the Stars lessons class, Bob and Helen Humble, visited the dance on Friday night. David Toms was a familiar face for them. It will be interesting to find out what they thought of our dance when we see them on Monday night. (We missed class last Monday because we went to California to visit our daughter and her family).

Round Dancer information

From Lucy Hamm

Round dancers who attended the national ICBDA convention in July 2022 already know about the top 10 lists for phase 3, 4, 5 and 6 round dances chosen by attendees. Those of us who didn't make it had to wait till it was available online. Karen and Ed Gloodt had some winners. They cue at Swingtime for Rainbow Rounds and Harvest Holiday (round dance clubs) and T-Square Gad-a Bouts and Trail Blazers (square dance clubs). They have a square dance favorite phase 3 foxtrot which was voted #2. In Phase 4 dances; their Hall of Fame dance for 2017, a rumba, Cuando Me Enamoro, tied for 1st place. It is popular in the DFW area also. Chris Farabaugh ended his early

rounds cuing this dance at the Stars earlier dance this month in Richardson. The Alligator Stroll, a West Coast Swing dance, was up from last year with 4th place ranking (it was the first WCS they taught us..before it "went national".). Our favorite waltz, Legends of the Fall, was 5th and one of their many boleros placed 9th. In phase 5 dances, last year's Hall of Fame Dance, a West Coast Swing dance by the Gosses.. was ranked 4th. Ralph taught us that one earlier this year. Video sites were especially great during COVID lock down.

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

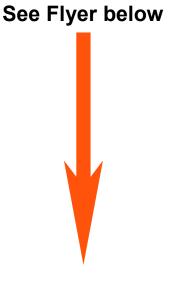
Be sure to check out our web page: <u>www.swingingstars.org</u> There is a lot of information about what is going on with the Swinging Stars. For information about weekend dances, go to our Web Page and click on Weekends.

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





September 9th "Feed the Need"

Fill the Donation Box! Non-Perishable - Local Charity Chris Farabaugh Guest Cuer



Peanut Butter, Jelly, Boxed or Packaged Potatoes, Canned Fruit or Veggies, Spaghetti, Spaghetti Sauce, Tuna, Rice, Dry Beans.

September 23rd "New Dancer Dance"

Bring your New Dancers and Students

New Time

7:30 Early Rounds

8:00 Square Up



Jan Toms Guest Cuer





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