



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for September 15, 2019

Message from Presidents

David and Peggy Edwards

Swinging Stars,

Thanks to everyone involved for making our pre-Roundup dance such a success. We had 12 and 1/2 squares of visitors and 8 squares of Swinging Stars, for a total of 20 and 1/2 squares (164 people in attendance).

Peggy won Jodie's painting and it looks great in our den. Lorraine Burson donated a beautiful quilt to NORTEX for Roundup. Thank you, Lorraine.

Wouldn't it be nice to have that many people at all our dances? The executive committee is working on increasing our attendance

If we haven't mentioned it before, our next club meeting is November 10th. The location and time are to be determined. (Mark your calendars)

David and Peggy Edwards
Presidents, Swinging Stars

Report from the Painting Raffle.

I want to thank my helpers Betty Wheaton and Rita Putnam for helping with the ticket sales at our dances. We sold \$296.00 worth of tickets. I would say this is really good for the Swinging Stars. Thank you also goes out to all the Swinging Star members that helped by buying tickets. A really special big thank you to Jodie Baldwin for donating the painting to the Swinging Stars.

Thank you,
Lorraine Burson,
Chair for the Raffle Tickets Sales

Happening This Week

**Friday September 20 – Triangle Squares – Deep in the heart of Texas
Pre Round up Dance – OFFICIAL VISITATION – Banner Retrieval**

Caller: Toby Thomason

Time: Workshop 7:00, Refreshments 7:30, Grand March 8:00

**Location Change: Cumberland Presbyterian Children's Home Gym 1304 Bernard Street
Denton, Texas (look for signs) (**Not their usual dance location**)**

Note: 2-signature, Texas, Western or Square Dance attire is welcome.

See www.trianglesquaresdanceclub.com for complete details.

Saturday September 21 – Rebel Rousers – Crazy Hat Dance
OFFICIAL VISITATION – Banner Retrieval

Guest Caller: Dee Dee Dougherty

Club Caller: Mike Bramlett

Cue: Christine Hixson

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

Location: Richardson Senior Center 820 W. Arapaho Rd. Richardson, Tex

Note: See ad on page 14 of the September Promenade. Wear a funny hat.

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
Cotton Pickin' Squares	5/25/2019

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Texas Reelers	9/13/2019
Kissin Kuzzins	9/13/2019
Rebel Rousers	9/13/2019
Triangle Squares	9/13/2019
Tri City Promenaders	9/13/2019

*** * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * ***

Friday September 13 – Swinging Stars – The Stars at Night – Pre Roundup

Wasn't that a fabulous dance we had Friday night. As 2nd Vice President it is our duty to report about the visitations and to report who all visited our dance. The dance was a huge success partly due to the fact that it was a Pre Roundup dance, and largely because we had many banners that Swinging Stars had captured over the last 4 months, and the clubs were coming back to retrieve their banners. The official count of clubs visiting is: Texas Reelers 17, Kissin Kuzzins 17, Rebel Rousers 15, Triangle Squares 10, Tri City Promenaders 10, Circle I 9, Dixie Chainers 10, Lone Star Solos 8, Harvest Holiday 1, Pioneers 1, Plus Fours 2, Stone Steppers 1, and Independent 1. Having 12 clubs represented, for a total of 102 visitors. We gave back 6 banners, and gave out 5 of our banners. I believe we had 64 Swinging Stars present for a total of 166 dancers. You see, it pays for us to go visiting as much as possible. We will have to do some visiting in the next few months to build up our number of captured banners. We have our Double Deal Dance coming up in November and we will need to have a good turnout for that dance as well. Bobby did an excellent job calling. He kept the dancing moving at a rapid pace with a lot of energy. Walter did his cueing of the rounds with his expertise of cueing to the dances with rhythms for all levels of round dancers to enjoy. Thank you to both our Caller and Cueser for helping to make this dance a success.

Friday September 14 – Diamond Jubileers – God Bless America –

Dave and I were not able to go to this dance so we have no Report.

*** * * COMING EVENTS * * ***

Friday September 20 – Triangle Squares – Deep in the heart of Texas Pre Round up Dance – OFFICIAL VISITATION – Banner Retrieval

Please Support the Swinging Stars at this official visitation. Everyone seemed to enjoy dancing to Toby at our dance when he was a guest caller, we thought you might enjoy going to his dance

Caller: Toby Thomason

Time: Workshop 7:00, Refreshments 7:30, Grand March 8:00

Location Change: Cumberland Presbyterian Children's Home Gym 1304 Bernard Street Denton, Texas (look for signs) (Not their usual dance location)

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I know you will be enjoying this caller. She is so-o-o cool and very up to date on all the tunes being called at square dance nowadays. She is an international caller. When the Rebel Rousers ad was submitted for the Promenade, the Rebel Rousers did not know she would be in town and able to call for them. She is Dee Dee Dougherty from Minneapolis, MN. Dee Dee was voted TWO-TIME OZZIE AWARD WINNER!!!!, also Most Entertaining Caller, Best Female Patter Caller, Best Female Vocal on a Recorded Singing Call. Please don't miss this opportunity to dance to Dee Dee. She doesn't come around here often.

Guest Caller: Dee Dee Dougherty

Club Caller: Mike Bramlett

Cue: Christine Hixson

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

Location: Richardson Senior Center 820 W. Arapaho Rd. Richardson, Tex

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 – SWINGING STARS – REGULAR CLUB DANCE.

Caller: Bobby Willis

Cuer: Walter Brewer

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

Location: Shepard Elementary School. 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 28 – Tri City Promenaders – State Fair Pre Round up Dance – OFFICIAL VISITATION – Banner Retrieval

Howdy Folks, yes it is Texas State Fair time. And the Tri City Pomanders are going to have a Fair of their own This should be fun with a Caller and a Cuer that everyone loves. We hope to see a lot of proud Texans there: you and me, and you, you and you, and mostly you. Well you get my point. We want to see a lot of Swinging Stars there.

Caller: Ray Savell

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

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

Location: Brookside Center, 1244 Brookside Dr., Hurst TX.

Note 2-signature, Texas, Western or Square dance attire welcome

See ad on page 18 of the September Promenade

**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29 – ROUND DANCE MINI FEST
PRE ROUND UP DANCE – OF INTEREST VISITATION (for round dancers)**

Square dance level--Phases 2, 3, and 4

Time: Teaches ~ 2:00-5:00 PM, Programmed Dance~6:45-8:45 PM

Afternoon instructors: Christine and Theron Hixson and Karen and Ed Gloodt

Location Swingtime center 5100 SE Loop 830 Fort Worth

Note: **2 signatures**, See ad on page 18 of the September Promenade

*** * OTHER EVENTS * * ***

October – Ladies Luncheon – TBD

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 1stvp@swingingstars.org . If you have additional questions, 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 27 – **Hamm**, Goebel, Nestor, Stewart)

October 11 – **Hardin**, Mulvin, Perhson/Mae, Rose (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, Perrott, Zhang

(Theme – *Santa's Workshop* – Donate Gifts/Money)

Round Dance Lessons update

From JL and Linda Pelton

Don't Miss Out -- Refresher Rounds Starts Next Saturday

Started Saturday, September 14, and will end just before Thanksgiving, Carpenter Rec Center from 11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

By popular demand for a chance to dance a lot and practice dances heard at square dances. This class will workshop figures class members might not know in a dance. There will be lots of different rhythms and lots of different dances that you often hear at square dances. It's a great way to polish up your dancing and have in depth practice and instruction on a problem figure. If you have taken two or three classes with the Pelton's or other instructions in the area, this class will help you become more comfortable in the various rhythms you already have experience in.

Sign up is now open. Just ask for Class 21070 - Refresher Rounds

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

Nina Lassiter sent a very nice message to Swinging Stars members. "Thank you all for your expression of sympathy with the death of my mother. The card was beautiful and very comforting. Kindest regards, Nina"

Listening Device Information

From Charlie and Linda Harris

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. Talk to Nevin Mulvin at the check in table. To answer questions about the listening device, email Charles Harris at harris0907@sbcglobal.net or phone 214-348-5361. Notice to anyone interested in purchasing a listening device receiver for square or round dancing, contact Charles Harris. He has one new William Sound PPA R-37. The new unit is priced at \$90.00 and includes the earphone. It is the 17 channel unit versus the 3 channel Listen Brand units and has a five-year warranty.

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

Friday October 25, 2019 – NTCA 2019 Caller's Cavalcade

Saturday October 26, 2019 – NORTEX 2019 Round-Up

Sunday November 10, 2019 – Swinging Stars General Meeting

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

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Swinging Stars

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See Flyer below



Ghost Busters

★ **October 11, 2019**

Swinging Stars ★

Costume Dance



Caller:
Bobby Willis

Cue:

Walter Brewer



Workshop: 7:00 PM
Plus Tip: 7:45 PM
Grand March: 8:00 PM

Shepard Elementary School

1000 Wilson Dr. Plano, TX



Honey Pot
Banners
Refreshments



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Dancers under 18 free with paying adults.
We dance every 2nd and 4th Friday.

For more info: president@swingingstars.org

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