



Nov 2011 No. 2

President's Corner

The President is cooking his chili – it's almost done.

A Note of Appreciation

November 3, 2011

Dear Swinging Stars Members,

This note may be slow, but it is no less sincere. Rebel Rousers want you to know that your presence at our Reveille Dance in October was much appreciated. It is the support of other clubs that make this square dance community feel like a family. We appreciate your support and hope to return it frequently to you.

Thank you,
Your Rebel Rouser Friends

Sad News

Kevin and Christine Hadley sent the following email that Mike Bramlett sent to the NTCA membership regarding Jay Miller.

It is with sad heart that we have to bring this news to you about one of our callers. Jay Miller was diagnosed with ALS or Lou Gehrig's Disease last week. Please keep Jay & Martie in your prayers. There is no known cure for ALS.

I did talk with Jay Sunday night and spirits were good as he and Martie were working through the news. During our phone call I asked if Jay and Martie wanted me to send this information to the local area and their response was yes. Jay said the doctors had given him an expected time of 3 to 5 years, but with a disease like ALS you never really know.

Jay was President of the NTCA back in 2004 and has been calling and teaching in the NORTEX area for several years. Again please keep Jay & Martie in your prayers during this trying time. Reach out with cards and emails although you may want to hold phone calls down to a minimum because Jay is still struggling with his voice.

Jay & Martie Miller

**Dave Burson is creatively keeping our website up-to-date.
Check it out and be in the know. Click the link below to see what Dave has done now!**
(You won't believe what he's got his peppers doing!)
<http://swingingstars.org>
Thanks, Dave.

Happenings

Vickie Evanto is having major surgery Mon. Nov 14. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

The Swinging Stars Square and Round Dance Club will be having our Annual Anniversary Dance at the Shepard Elementary School in Plano, on January 27, 2012. The theme will be Swingin' 50's. Start looking for your poodle skirts and get ready to Rock. The callers will be our own Wayne Baldwin and guest caller Joey Duhamel. Our club cuer, John Brewer will be cueing the rounds. We have gotten special permission from the PISD to get started a little earlier, so we will be having Early Rounds at 7:00 and the Grand March at 8:00. The committee for the anniversary dance is:
Anniversary Dance Chairman.... Lorraine and Dave Burson
Greeters..... Out going and In coming officers of the club
Decorations..... Helen and Barry Feldman
Refreshments..... Anne and Russ Nejd
Beverages..... Linda and Charlie Harris
Honey Pot.... Maryann and Frank Starrett
Money Raffle...Fran and Gary Bivins
Parking Attendants.... Mark Hawkins
Clean-up.... EVERYONE
We will have more details soon.
Thank you,
Lorraine Burson

Please sign up to help in one of the above areas.

This week...

Thu Nov 10

OFFICIAL

Lone Star Solos 47th Anniversary Dance with Dave Vieira calling and Christine Hixson cueing.

Silent Auction

Early Rounds 7:30; Grand March 8:00

Knights of Columbus Hall, 10110 Shoreview Rd., Dallas

November Promenade p.7

Fri Nov 11

Swinging Stars (hey, that's us) Chili Cook-Off and Dessert Creation Dance with Wayne Baldwin calling and John Brewer cueing

Early Rounds 7:30; Square Dance 8:00

Each person will be provided a large paper plate to act as a tray and an unlimited supply of small sampling cups. (3 will fit on the tray at a time).

- **After 1st tip: Sample Chili and look at desserts. Chili will be self service.**
- **After 2nd tip: Sample more Chili and sample desserts.**
- **After 3rd tip: Sample more Chili and sample desserts.**
- **Etc.**
- **Anytime after sampling: Vote.**
- **At 9:00 PM judging closes**
- **At 9:30 PM: Awards are presented.**

Refreshments: Feldman, Cowdin, McGuire, Wolfe

Sat Nov 12

Official

Dixie Chainers 53rd Anniversary Dance with Deborah Carroll-Jones and Vernon Jones calling and Jack Vonder Heide cueing.

Crockpot Stew; door prizes

Early Rounds 7:00; Grand March 7:30

Farmers Branch Senior Center, 14055 Dennis (@ Valwood), Farmers Branch

November Promenade p. 10

***** LESSONS *****

Tue Nov 15

MAINSTREAM LESSONS

7:00 to 9:00 PM

**Carpenter Rec. Center,
6701 Coit Rd.**

There are five lessons to go...Dec. 13 is Graduation.

Our angels are appreciated! We encourage you to come!

Past Week's Events and News ...

Fri Nov 4 (of interest)

Kissin Kuzzins with Wayne Baldwin calling and J.L. Pelton cueing.

12 Swinging Stars attended: Lewis, Smith/Hardin, Pharr, Hamm, Heintz/Putman-Heintz, Starrett

Sat Nov 5 Official

Solitaires 29th Birthday Dance with Ray Savell Calling and J.L. Pelton Cueing.

16 Swinging Stars attended: P. Amy, Bursons, Duncans, Evantos, Harris, Heintz/Putman-Heintz, McGuires, Rosemary & Larry, C. Wolfe.

Coming up next ...

General Meeting ...

Sun. Nov. 20...3 PM

Important Meeting. Voting will take place for 2012 Officers!

Spring Creek Barbeque

270 N. Central Expressway

Richardson

972-669-0505

www.springcreekbarbeque.com

Christmas Party

A note from Linda Harris

All,
The Swinging Stars Annual Christmas Party is scheduled for Friday December 2nd 6:30 pm at the Haggard Party Barn.

The cost is \$28.00 per couple, which includes BBQ dinner, Margaritas, Beer and soft Drinks. Pay Betty Wheaton at our next club dance on Friday November 11th. Cash is preferred but if necessary, make check payable to 'Betty Wheaton'.

We'll need a firm head count for the caterers.

Lots of Fun!! Hope to see everyone there!!

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Betty Wheaton				

Linda Harris

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Other Stuff ...

LADIES ONLY

November Ladies Lunch

Honoring Jodie on her birthday

November 10 at Patrizio's in Fairview.

101 Fairview Station Parkway

11:30 AM

Make reservations to Lorraine Burson, email lorraine@bursons.us or

Phone 972-396-0941

See Lorraine's email message for directions etc.

Lorraine Burson

Email: Dave@Bursons.us

Refreshment Schedule – thru December

Lead couple is first name on the list below. This couple should contact all members on the team to be sure they know the following: be at dance by 7:00 pm; refreshments shut down at 9:30 pm (no earlier). Repack bags in a Tidy Manner. If you take home a refreshment bag check that it has all the items listed on the Fluorescent Hang Tag in the bag.

Thank you all for serving on our Refreshment Team.

November 25 Dance Cancelled due to Thanksgiving holiday

December 9 **Putnam/Heintz**, Tysver, Perrott, Trujillo

December 23 Dance cancelled due to Christmas Holiday

Refreshment Duty Reminders:

1. If you have a conflict with the Refreshment Schedule please contact someone on the refreshment list to sub for you. Notify the refreshment schedulers: Jeff & Anne Stuart at 972-699-1317 or email: jwstuart@flash.net with the names of your subs.
2. Attend the dance prior to your turn for refreshments to pick up the three bags. Check Refreshment Bags for the info regarding “Refreshment Duty Tips” and “List of Items Supplied by the Club.” Contact Tim & Rita Putnam Heintz for supplies prior to purchase at 972-669-3616 or timheintz@att.net or ritajp@att.net Monday prior to dance.

Swinging Stars Banners out (go retrieve one if you can - it only takes one square)
Rockwall Squares, Diamond Jubileers

Banners on hand (Do not accept one if you visit these clubs)

Dublin Cloverleafs, Duncanville Cliff Dwellers, Lone Star Solos, T Square Gadabouts, Log Cabin Swingers, Dixie Chainers, Texoma Squares, Kissin’ Kuzzins, Rebel Rousers, and Texas Reelers.

This Month

Thurs. Nov 10

Ladies Luncheon

Fri Nov 11

Swinging Stars Chili Cook-off and Dessert Contest

PLUS AND ADVANCED DANCERS

Plus Weekends

Plus weekends offer Plus dancing at it’s best. Not only do you get lots of floor time in a short period of time, but also great workshops that improve your Plus dancing.

Thanks to Dave Burson!

Check the link below for more info.

http://www.swingingstars.org/Weekends_Of_Intrest.html

Plus and Advanced Clubs

Plus 4s – Caller “Quiz“

Every 1st and 3rd Wed from 7:30 - 9:30.
Chapel Hill United Methodist Church –
12411 Templeton Tr. Farmers Branch.

ADD Plus Club (New NORTEX Club)

NOT a place to “brush up” on your plus. Experienced plus dancers will benefit from this “All position” plus calling by Mike Bramlett. 1st, 3rd, and 5th Mondays at Richardson Senior Center. Club membership or \$9 per person at the door. Good to attend to warm up for the Texas Stampede.

Friendship Plus Club (Non-NORTEX Club)

A place to “brush up” on your plus. 2nd and 4th Monday Nights 7:00 – 9:00 PM. Richardson Senior Center. Mike Bramlett calling.

Model A's (Advanced Dancers)

Every Thu 7:00 - 9:00. A-1 -- A-2. calling by Wayne. They've moved to Walnut Hill Recreation Center in Dallas. Wayne Baldwin. Info: 972-562-2174

-Gary and Peggy-