#### Newsletter for July 28, 2024

## **Message from the Presidents**Richard and Jan Covington

Wow! Six squares 1<sup>st</sup> tip for our Ice Cream Dance!!! Fantastic news, thanks Chris. I know it was a good dance. Sorry we missed it. Great decoration, note the picture!

I received my August Promenade. Can you believe August is already here? That means that September lessons are starting soon. Jan Toms will be teaching Round Dance/Waltz lessons at Liberty Recreation Center. David Toms will be teaching Basic 1&2 and Mainstream Square Dance lessons. Keep getting the word out. Advertisers says we have to see an add fourteen times before it makes an impression. I'm getting good responses on my Next Door App. I hope you are as well.



Jan and I made a few vacation plans this summer and we have had a blast. But, we have missed you all. Is there someone that you always enjoyed dancing with but you have seen them lately? Please reach out, send a text, personal message, post on social media, drop them a card or give them a call and let them know.

We will see you on the dance floor.

#### Richard C

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Dues are PAST due (Starting July 1, 2024)

If you normally pay for the half-year you need to pay is \$55.00 per single member and \$110.00 per couple. One quarter is \$27.50 per single member and \$55.00 per couple. So please pay your dues at the next dance or mail a check made out to the Swinging Stars to the treasurer:

Nevin R Mulvin Treasurer Swinging Stars 3409 Eisenhower Ln Plano, TX 75023-3933 972-618-0750

## Message from the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Presidents Charlie and Linda Harris

"Thanks to all" for showing up early to help with setup and stay for tear down. You are appreciated.

See you in a square, Charlie and Linda Harris – 1st VP

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#### **Lessons Beginning September 10 – Network Ministries**

We are recommending a different twist to the upcoming lessons.

- 1. Get the eight people required for the beginning the class. Everyone needs to do their part to advertise and recruit!
- 2. We hope some of these 8 will be repeats from recent lessons wanting to return to another set of lessons.
- 3. Encourage "never before dancer" to come to see what it's like. These dancers will pay \$10 at the door for each lesson they attend.
- 4. If this process seems to be working, David would use the early part of the night say 7 to 7:30 for very new dancers. Around 7:45 he would move to more advanced calls. The new ones can stay or not.
- 5. He may try to end the night at 8:30 depending on the progress.
- 6. As always, we will need angels to fill in the squares. Since Charlie and I dance with Christine on Tuesday nights, we'll need a lead for most Tuesdays. I'll pass around a signup sheet. Also please include the Tuesdays you cannot be there. This will keep everyone informed as which Tuesdays need a lead.
- 7. We can leave our lessons' supplies (badges, angel sign in sheets) at the location with our other supplies.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Report

#### **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
Pegasus	3/24/2024
Log Cabin Swingers	5/04/2024
Kissing Kuzzins	7/05/2024

#### **Swinging Stars Banners Out**

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Club	Date Captured
Tri-City Promenaders	7/14/2023
Triangle Squares	2/23/2024
Circle I	5/10/2024
Texas Reelers	7/26/2024
Rebel Rousers	7/26/2024

#### \*\*\*EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK\*\*\*

A message from Lorraine and Dave Burson Second VP Swinging Stars to all the helpers that came early and helped to make the Ice cream Social a success.

I fear that I will miss naming someone that helped. If I do I am truly sorry, it wasn't intentional, because we truly do appreciate each of you that helped.

Setup: Linda and Charlie Harris, Merry and Chris Trujillo, along with Dave and myself.

**Decorations**: Debbie and Jim did a magnificent job along with many helpers that I am not at all sure who helped, but I know Chris Trujillo and Merry were helping to put up decorations on the wall and on the tables.

**Greeters**: we all know that we can count on John and Debra Cave to greet each in coming guest with a welcome. Thank you Ron and Donita who were also on hand to help with this very important duty. **Serving Ice Cream**: Along with Dave and myself was Brenda Statham. She was a wonderful helper. We had others that volunteered to help, serve ice cream, Peggy Amy and Merry Trujillo, but were not needed to help with that.

Thank you to everyone that brough all those delicious cookies: Debbie Cave, Sarah Mulvin, Lon Bushnell, Donita See, Merry Trujillo, Debbie Reid, Linda Harris, Peggy Amy.

Also, a great big thank to all for sweet toppings that were brough to sweeten up the ice cream: Bursons, Sees and Trujillos, without toppings the ice-cream would have just been plain vanilla. I want to thank the sign-in table crew for their fine work getting the visitors registered and all that comes minding the table: Nevin and Sarah Mulvin, Lon Bushnell, Nina Lassiter.

Thank you to all the helpers that stayed after the dance to clean up and say a special thank you to all the visitors that came and enjoyed our dance. Thank you all and I say "Job Well Done"!

#### \*\*\* COMING EVENTS \*\*\*

To reach the **August** *Promenade*, click here:

https://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2024-08-Promenade.pdf

### Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval Friday, August 2 – Texas Reelers – Festival of Colors

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

Caller: Deborah Carroll Jones & Jon Jones

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

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

**Note:** See page 16 of the August Promenade for more information

## Of Interest Club Visitation for Plus Dancers Wednesday, August 7 – Plus 4s

Where: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church -- 12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

Caller: Toby Thomason

Time: Plus 7:00

#### Friday, August 9 – Swinging Stars – Luau

Where: Network Ministries – 1500 International Pkwy #300, Richardson, TX

**Caller:** Charlie Robertson **Cuer:** Chris Farabaugh

**Time:** Early Rounds 7:30, Square up 8:00

**Note:** See page 23 of the August Promenade for more information

#### Of Interest Club Visitation

#### Friday, August 16 - Kissin' Kuzzins - Lemonade Stand

Where: Network Ministries – 1500 International Pkwy #300, Richardson, TX

Caller: Mike Bramlett

**Time:** Mainstream Workshop 7:30 PM, Square UP 8:00 PM

**Note:** See page 27 of the August Promenade for more information

#### Official Club Visitation - Banner Retrieval

#### Saturday, August 17 – Rebel Rousers – Some Beach, SOMEWHERE

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

**Caller:** Mike Bramlett **Cuer:** Christine Hixson

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

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

#### Friday, August 23 – Swinging Stars – Show Your Team Colors

Where: Network Ministries – 1500 International Pkwy #300, Richardson, TX

Caller: Charlie Robertson

Cuer: Jan Toms

Time: Early Rounds 7:30, Square up 8:00

**Note:** See page 35 of the August Promenade for more information

#### Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval

#### Saturday, August 24 - Tri-City Promenaders - Under the Sea Dance

Where: Brookside Center - 1244 Brookside Dr, Hurst, TX 76053

Caller: Ray Savell
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

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

**Note:** See page 36 of the August Promenade for more information

#### **Sunshine information**

#### From Peggy Amy and Nina Lassiter our Sunshine Reporters

John and Debbie Cave welcomed their new granddaughter, Olivia Elizabeth Cave, born on July 25. She is 8 lbs 10 ozs and 20 inches long. She lives with her parents in nearby Celina. John and Debbie (also known as Opa and Oma) are excited to get to know her.

Let's keep in touch by sharing news in our Newsletter.

You can email Nina Lassiter Sunshine or Rain, at your convenience. <a href="mailto:ninalassiter@gmail.com">ninalassiter@gmail.com</a> Or you may call or text 214-769-6032. She always needs any reports (good or bad), by Friday in order to get the report to Dave and Lorraine in a timely manner.

#### Special dates to put on your calendar

Friday, October 11, 2024 Swinging Stars Round up Theme Dance

Friday, November 22, 2024 Swinging Stars Double Deal Dance

Friday, December 6, 2024 NTCA Callers Cavalcade

Saturday, December 7, 2024 NORTEX 2024 Round-Up

#### **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.

#### **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: <a href="mailto:newsletter-editor@swingingstars.org">newsletter editor@swingingstars.org</a> 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: newsletter editor@swingingstars.org

Phone: 972-396-0941

#### See Flyers below







Friday August 9, 2024

# Caller: Charlie Robertson Early Rounds 7:30 Cuer: Chris Farabaugh Square Up 8:00



Network of Community Ministries 1500 International Pkwy Ste 300

Fun Food Fellowship Honey Pot Banners Hawaiian, Casual or Square Dance Attire



Singles Rotation Board available for Tip and Dance Partner choice Dancers under 18 dance for free when accompanied by a paying adult

For info: 214-675-6523 or president@swingingstars.org

Visit our website: www.swingingstars.org



Caller:

Charlie Robertson

Friday, 8/23/2024

Cuer:

Jan Toms

Early Rounds 7:30

Square Up 8:00

Show Your Team
Spirit by Wearing
Your Favorite Team's Shirt
OR Dress Casual for Summer

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By A Paying Adult



Fellowship



Snacks



Honey Pot



Banners



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## Beginning Square Dance Lessons 16 Weeks \$85.00

September 10th — Tuesday 7-9 PM Email 1stvp@swingingstars.org

Network Ministries -1500 International Parkway - #300 Richardson, TX 75081



Try something new in 2024

Connect with other fun people

Dance to some of your favorite music

It's fun, engaging, and relaxing

Fabulous couple's date night activity

Network Ministries 1500 International Parkway

Richardson, TX 75081

September 10th (Tues) 7-9PM
Email 1stvp@swingingstars.org
\$85 (16 weeks)