

Newsletter for July 30, 2023

Message from the Presidents John and Debbie Cave

The Double Deal Ice Cream Social dance was a huge success. Many thanks to Lorraine who organized the dance and volunteers. Thanks to Debbie Reed for the decorations and Charlie Harris for figuring out how to make coffee for us. Thanks to Nina for finding our new facility. Thanks to the setup and tear down folks who move chairs around and put them all away. Thanks to the sign in folks selling coffee kitty tickets and signing friendship cards. Thanks to the folks who brought toppings and cookies, they were delicious. We had 84 visitors and 28 Stars for a total of 112 folks in the room. There were 11 squares for the first tip and 11 round dance couples on the floor dancing to Jan's cueing. Tim called a very entertaining dance to the enjoyment of us all. We even had a couple ask for a membership application and joined the club. Hats off to the Swinging Stars Dance club!

Lessons are going very well, thanks to David and all our angels. We need angels each week, especially ladies, to help with the students. Building relationships with the students helps to draw them into being club members. Please let Lorraine know when you will be available.

See you in a square, John and Debbie Cave

Message from the 1st Vice Presidents

Dave and Lorraine Burson Message to the Swinging Stars about Square Dance Lessons. Lesson No.9 is coming up on Monday, July 31st

Please come and Angel if you are available. We always need Angles. Sometime we have more than we need, but each week is different. Usually we need more Lady Angels. We think the students are leaning well. And are having a good time learning to square dance. David Toms is doing an excellent job teaching the lessons. Several of the angels and students have been going to Braums for a treat after the lessons. This is a wonderful way to visit with the students and have them get to know us better. Hope to see you at lessons on Monday night.

Double Deal Dance/Ice Cream Social -- July 28th

I am very happy to report that our Double Deal dance/Ice Cream Social was a wonderful success. I am grateful that 28 Swinging Star members were available to help with the dance. First, I would like to say Dave and I really enjoyed serving up Ice Cream to all of our 84 guests and 28 members. We say Thank you to all of our members that were Greeters, and those that helped with Setup, and Decorating the Hall, Members that bought Cookies and everyone that brought the Toppings for Ice Cream. To me this indicates, with a little effort when we come together as a unified club we can do almost anything it takes to get a job done. Let's not forget those that worked the registration table. A great job was done by the Caller and Cuer. Without them we wouldn't have much of a dance. I hope I haven't forgot to mention any of the duties that were done by our magnificent members and staff. THANK YOU!

Message from the 1st Vice Presidents Elect Charlie and Linda Harris

All Swinging Stars Members

We want to pass on the "setup and cleanup" duties to all of you, so each of us can support the club in these tasks.

Swinging Stars responsibility

- 1) Please park in the back leaving the front door parking spots for visitors.
- 2) Help get out extra chairs, <u>if needed</u>, by first using the stacked chairs, then black metal chairs in the entry area.
- 3) Get out fans and singles board and the refreshment bin, replacing them in storage at the end of the dance.
- 4) Replace all chairs, etc to the original location.

This is a lovely dance location for us and their requirements do not seem burdensome.

Many hands will make the tasks easier for all of us. Thank you for supporting your club by coming early to help and staying a few minutes to cleanup.

Members of the board are responsible for unlocking and relocking the doors and setting the alarm at each dance. Your support in setup and cleanup will lighten everyone's tasks.

As in the past, Swinging Stars will provide individual snacks at the dance, I will be asking one or two dancers to bring a box or two of individual snacks to each dance. Overages will be stored in a bin at the locations for the next dance. To avoid, having too many snacks on hand, the sign-up sheet below will spread out the new snacks coming in.

Thank you for your support. See you soon.

Charlie and Linda Harris 1st VP Swinging Stars Elect

Dance Date	Individual Snacks (1 pk each member) setup/cleanup Support 2 members per dance	Location
Aug 11		Network Ministries
Aug 25		Network Ministries
Sep 8		Network Ministries

Email <u>LindaHarrisTX@hotmail.com</u> if you can provide some individual snacks for one of the above dates.

2nd VP Report

Dave and Lorraine Burson Elect

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

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Triangle Squares	03/31/2023
Log Cabin Swingers	03/31/2023
Roadrunners	04/14/2023
Circle I	05/26/2023
Tri-City Promenaders	07/14/2023
Texas Reelers	07/14/2023
Rebel Rousers	07/28/2023

EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

Of Interest Club Visitation Sunday, July 23 – NORTEX Round-Up Kickoff

NORTEX held a very successful Round-Up Kickoff dance Sunday featuring Texas Hall of Fame caller Toby Thomason calling squares and North Texas Caller and Cuer Vice President Jan Toms cuing rounds. The floor was filled with 8 squares and 11 couples. The Swinging Stars attending this event were Pete Abshire, the Bursons and the Sees.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

To reach the **August** *Promenade*, click here: <u>http://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2023-08-Promenade.pdf</u>

Of Interest Club Visitation for Plus Dancers Wednesday, August 2 – Plus 4s

Where: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church - - 12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch Caller: Toby Thomason Time: Plus 7:00

Official Club Visitation - Banner Retrieval Friday, August 4 – Texas Reelers – Big Band Sounds

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 13 of the August Promenade for more information

Of Interest Club Visitation – Round-Up Theme Dance Saturday, August 5 – Circle 8 – Round-Up Theme Dance

Where: Swingtime Center - - 5100 S.E. Loop 820 @ Anglin, Ft Worth
Callers: Buddy Weaver, Melton Luttrell
Cuer: Jack von der Heide
Time: Plus 3:00 – 5:00, Early Rounds 7:30, Squares w/ Rounds 8:00
Note: See page 15 of the August Promenade for more information

Friday, August 11 – Swinging Stars – Hawaiian Shirt Dance

Where: Network Ministries – 1500 International Pkwy #300, Richardson
Caller: Charlie Robertson
Cuer: Jan Toms
Time: Early Rounds 7:30, Dance 8:00
Note: See page 19 of the August Promenade for more information

Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval Saturday, August 12 – Circle I – LUAU Backyard Party

Where: Heritage Senior Center - - 200 S. Jefferson St, Irving
Caller: Ray Savell
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus 7:30, Grand March 8:00
Note: See page 20 of the August Promenade for more information

Ladies Luncheon

Wednesday August 16, 2023 AT 11:30

Lorraine Burson will be hosting the August Ladies Luncheon. The date is August 16 at 11:30. I have chosen Little Rome-Italian Restaurant and Pizzeria. Last time we were there we enjoyed it so much that we all said that we would like to return there for another Luncheon. Little Rome is located at 2707 W. 15th Street Suit B Plano 75075. **Please Reply** to me at Lorraine@Bursons.us by August 14th so that I can tell the Restaurant how many ladies will be attending. Check out Little Rome's menu by going to <u>https://thelittlerome.com/</u> then click on Menu. We hope you will come visit with us for Lunch

Of Interest Club Visitation – Double Deal Dance Friday, August 18 – Kissin' Kuzzins – Cool Night ... Wear White

Where: Gale Fields Recreation Center - - 1701 Dairy Rd, Garland
Caller: Mike Bramlett
Cuer: JL Pelton
Time: Early Rounds 7:00, M/S Workshop 7:30, First SD Tip 8:00
Note: See page 23 of the August Promenade for more information

Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval – Double Deal Dance Saturday, August 19 – Triangle Squares – Annual Schmidtz Family Dance

Every year the Triangle Squares have their Annual Schmidtz Family Dance, It is always lots of fun.

Where: The Brand Cowboy Church, 5926 FM 455, Sanger TX 76266

Guest Caller: Charlie Robertson

Club Caller: Toby Thomason

Cuer: Jan Toms

Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus 7:30, Grand March/SSD/Mainstream 8:00

Note: Dress Hillbilly, Summer Casual or Traditional Dance Attire. \$10 per kuzzin See page 28 of the August Promenade for more information. If you would like to go but think it is to far to go, see if you can find someone to carpool with.

Of Interest Club Visitation for Plus Dancers – Round-Up Theme Dance Thursday, August 24 – Plus Squared – Round-Up Theme Dance

Where: Goodbar Senior Center -- 3000 Concord Dr, Mesquite, TX 75150 Caller: Bill Hinkley Time: All Plus Dancing, Workshop 6:30, Plus Dancing 7:00 - 9:00 Note: See page 29 of the August Promenade for more information

Friday, August 25 – Swinging Stars – Summer Vacation Memories

Where: Network Ministries – 1500 International Pkwy #300, Richardson, TX
Caller: Charlie Robertson
Cuer: Jan Toms
Time: Rounds 7:30, Dance 8:00
Note: See page 19 of the August Promenade for more information

Official Club Visitation- Banner Retrieval

Saturday, August 26 – Tri-City Promenaders – Pink Panther Dance

Where: Brookside Center - 1244 Brookside Drive, Hurst
Caller: Ray Savell
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus 7:30, Grand March 8:00
Note: See page 31 of the August Promenade for more information

* * * OTHER EVENTS * * *

To reach the **August** *Promenade*, click here: <u>http://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2023-08-Promenade.pdf</u>

Sunshine information

From Peggy Amy our Sunshine Reporter

No news to report.

Let's keep in touch by sharing news in our Newsletter. Please send to Peggy Amy <u>amybpeggy@verizon.net</u>

Special dates to put on your calendar

Friday, October 13, 2023 Swinging Stars Round-Up Dance. Sunday, November 19, 2023, 4:00 PM Swinging Stars General Club meeting at TBD

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.

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



Hawaiian Shirt Dance







Club Cuer

August 11th

Early Rounds 7:30 Square Up 8:00

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

For Info: 972-964-5979 or President@swingingstars.org Visit our Web Site: www.swingingstars.org

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> Singles Board

> > 72.9 MH

Casual Dress