

August 2011 No. 1

President's Corner

Carpenter Center Open House Tonight (Aug. 4) – Tour and Prize Drawings

Yes there is a sneak preview and reopening ceremony on Thursday, August 4. The event will be from 6-8pm. There will be a short ceremony around 6:15 or 6:20 and then on your own tours of the facility. Hope to see you there. There will be some drawings courtesy of Sports Authority.

Help out Children's Advocacy Center - Cash or Check

This year, we recommend you give cash or check to support the Children's Advocacy Center at our Annual Back to School Dance (Aug 12). In the past, we provided a list of "Back to School" supplies and you were asked to buy some and deliver them at the dance. We're trying to reduce the "hassle factor" by changing to cash/check. Please make checks out to CACCC and **on the Memo Line write "Back to School Fair".**

New Dancers moving up.

Eddie and Marilyn Gifford and Gene and Phyllis Deluke are taking Plus Lessons. If you get a chance go out and support them by angeling at the Richardson Senior Center any Tuesday 7:00–9:00 PM from now thru Nov 1. Free to angels.

Sat Oct 1

Bus Trip — Log Cabin Swingers 36th Anniversary AND Reveille Dance

This will be a bus load of fun! You gotta go. We leave early enough to enjoy a sit-down dinner at 6:30 and begin early rounds at 7:30. We are working on the price of admission to the dance/dinner and will collect all monies before leaving to make entrance at the dance easy.

Only \$20 per person for the bus – dance/dinner admission extra. Let Dave or Lorraine Burson know by Sept. 9 if you plan to ride the bus.

(<u>Dave@Bursons.us</u> or 972-396-0941)

Pay Dave Burson by Sept. 15.

Make checks payable to the Swinging Stars with "bus trip" in the "For" notation.

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Important Refreshment Duty Changes:

Beginning with our August 12 dance many refreshment duty assignments have been changed in some shape form or another. We added four couples to help with the September 23 Reveille Dance. As a result other refreshment duty assignments had to be adjusted.

Contact Jeff & Anne Stuart (972-699-1317 or jwstuart@flash.net) with any switching you need to do. Lead couple is first name on the list in bold. Thank you in advance for your patience and support. Adding extra people to help with the Reveille Dance was the right thing to do.

Refreshment Duty Schedule as of August 1, 2011:

August 12 Rose, Mosher, Capps August 26 Stuart, Jung, Loven

September 9 **DeLuke**, Bivens, Lewis, Dennison

September 23 **Giaudrone/Benedetto**, Acker, Ross, Whipple, Nejdl, Smith/Hardin, Jimison, Piziali (note: 8 couples will be serving at this dance)

October 14 Starrett, Bullock, Duncan, McGuire

October 28 Dance cancelled due to Callers Cavalcade

November 11 Feldman, Cowdin, Reid, Wolfe

November 25 Dance cancelled due to Thanksgiving Holiday weekend

December 9 **Thompson**, Tysver, Trujillo, Milligan

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 972-699-3616 or timheintz@att.net or ritajp@att.net Monday prior to dance.
- 3. First name on the list is the lead/contact couple.
- 4. Lead couple should contact their committee to plan refreshments 10 days ahead.
- 5. Per our contract with PISD we may not enter the gym prior to 7:00 pm

3rd Quarter/ 2nd Half Dues are past due

NOTICE: Have you distributed all your Square Dance Lesson flyers and tri-folds yet? Contact Anne Stewart if you need more.

Lessons ... Lessons ... Lessons ...

Our lessons will be at the Carpenter Recreation Center at **6701 Coit Rd, Plano** Starting **Tuesday August 23rd, from 7:00 – 9:00 pm**. The first 2 lessons are free and we will have 17 lessons ending **on Tuesday, December 13th**.

Calling all Angels

As we have done in the past, we will be making up an Angel schedule. Please make this a priority.

Be sure to view our Swinging Stars Website at:

http://swingingstars.org
Our web master is Dave Burson.
LOOK NOW and LOOK OFTEN.

Swinging Stars Banners out (go retrieve one if you can - it only takes one square)

None.

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

Dublin Cloverleafs, Duncanville Cliff Dwellers, Buttons and Bows, Lone Star Solos, T Square Gadabouts, Log Cabin Swingers, Solitaires, Rebel Rousers, Dixie Chainers, Rockwall Squares, and Texas Reelers.

ALL SQUARE and ROUND DANCERS

Past Week's Events and News ...

Banner Raid (Did not get it)

Fri Jul 29

Triangle Squares And all the Schmidtz cousins present "Schmidtz off to boot camp" Reveille dance

Stars Attending: Amy, Burson, Duncan, Evanto

Banner Raid - Got it

Sat Jul 30

Texas Reelers 36th Anniversary Dance Stars Attending: Amy, Brewer, Burson, Evanto, Feldman, Mary Hardin, Harris, Jimison, McGuire, Pharr, Piziali, Perrott, Ross, Stuart, Trujillo, Rosemary and Larry, Wheaton, Wolfe.

Coming up Soon

Banner Raid

Sat Aug 6

Texoma Squares "Salute the Troops" Reveille Dance with Dave Vieira Calling and Michelle Vieira Cueing.

Early Rounds 7:30, Grand March 8:00 929 Desvoignes, Denison, TX 75020 For more info call 903-364-5475 Aug Promenade – p 7

Sun Aug 7 NORTEX Quarterly Meeting

2:00 PM Swingtime Center See Aug Promenade P. 4 for Agenda

Sun Aug 7

An Afternoon of Rounds With Christine Hixson

Phases II-IV 2:00 – 5:00 PM L-3 Rec Hall, 10001 Jack Finney Blvd., Greenville, TX August Promenade – p 23

Banner Raid (Next week)

Thusday Aug 11
Lone Star Solos Reveille Dance
See Aug Promenade – p 9

LADIES ONLY

Ladies Luncheon

Vicki Evanto Hosting
vevanto@verizon.net
Weds, Aug 31st
11:30 AM
Purple Cow
Lakeside Market Shopping Center
5809 Preston Rd, ste 588

Plano

Round Corner

No news

Link: Reveille dances

http://nortex.org/2011RU schedule.html

This Month

Friday Aug 12

Swinging Stars "Back to School" dance. School supplies donations for the Children's Advocacy

Sun Aug 21

Friendship Set To Music! Benefit Dance

▼▼Admission by Donation**▼▼**

50% of the monies raised will go to the Japanese Square Dance Association to assist our square dance families who were victims of the recent tsunami (www.squaredancers4japan.org); the remaining 50% will go to the tornado victims of Tuscaloosa, AL & Joplin, MO!!

From 3 - 6 pm at Swingtime Center

And Beyond

Fri Sep 23

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Fri Oct 14

Swinging Stars Halloween Dance.

Fri Oct 28

Callers Cavalcade - Beginning the North Texas annual celebration.

Sat Oct 29

Roundup - Best bargain in town. All day with 3 halls going at all times.

PLUS AND ADVANCED DANCERS

Jul 26 - Nov 1 - Plus Lessons

Each Tuesday 7:00 to 9:00 PM \$75 per person Singles and Couples welcome Richardson Senior Center

Questions? Contact Mike Bramlett at 214-402-8540 email sqdncclr@aol.com

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. In the link below are weekends that we know some Swinging Stars are registered for. Talk it over and pick one or two. Thanks to Dave Burson!

Two are coming up in Sept. Check the link below for more info.

Sept. 2-3, 17th Annual Chaparral Records Evening in Paris, TX

Sept. 16-17 Square Round the Lake DeGray Lake Resort Lodge Arkadelphia, AR

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.

Early enough to get home and get some sleep. Even Gary can do this one and make it to work the next day. Email Peggy to be put on the reminder list for these dances. amybpeggy@verizon.net

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-