

Aug 2011 No. 4

President's Corner

LESSON Turnout was Phenomenal!

We had 40 students at the first lesson and a turnout of 25 Swinging Stars to angel. This is excellent, but we would like to have MORE ANGELS. The ideal is one angel per student. So, please get out and help next Tuesday night. We do expect a drop-off after the two free lessons, but we don't expect it to be large. I'd guess we'll need at least 30 angels on a regular bases.

Now, it's good to get excited about potential new members. But we all have to pull together to make it happen. It's your club. Please take an active part in recruiting by helping out at lessons.

Carpenter Rec Center, 6701 Coit Rd. 7:00 to 9:00 PM

On a sad note

Richard Jung's Mother, Floy Gray passed away. She lived in Houston and the funeral was here at Restland. Please keep the Jungs in your prayers.

Our Reveille Dance on Sep 23 – HELP!

We need Greeters and help at the Honey pot table and at the Wrist Band and Poppy table. Wrist bands and poppys are being sold at all Reveille dances, and we have to provide the service as well.

Sign-up sheets will be at our dance Friday. **OR**, you can volunteer for one of the three jobs (Greet, Honey Pot, or Wrist Band/Poppy) by sending Peggy Amy an email.

Swinging Star Veterans, we need your help

We'd like you to wear something that is representative of your past Military Service to our Reveille dance. Also, If you have pictures of when you were in the military, bring them in so we can post them in honor of your service to our country. **Bring them to the dance this Friday night.** Or, if you have soft copies, you can email them to Peggy Amy.

Harvey and Paulanna Update

Harvey and Paulanna are now associate members. Harvey, always with a joke or something funny to say, told us they were on "sick leave". Paulanna is slowly improving; but she's still on oxygen most of the time. She also has had a wound for some time that is being treated. It is slowly healing. Please keep them in your prayers and give them a "hello" from time to time. Let them know we care.

From Billy and Dawn Ann Thompson

We are really sad, but we are going to drop out of square dancing. Our grandson is a junior and will be playing football on Friday nights and we are always gone in the summer. We are very sad because there is no nicer group of people than in Swinging Stars. Hopefully we can join again someday when our grandchildren don't keep us so busy. Billy Ed and Dawn Ann

Rebel Rousers

The are repairing the floor of the gym at Walnut Hill recreation center. So the Rebel Rousers will be moving about this fall, mostly at All Saints Catholic Church Fellowship Hall in Dallas. Please see the Promenade for more info.

September 17 All Saints Catholic Church Fellowship Hall, Dallas

October 15 Hazel Goodbar Senior Center, Mesquite - Mike Seastrom Guest Caller

November 19 All Saints Catholic Church Fellowship Hall, Dallas December 17 All Saints Catholic Church Fellowship Hall, Dallas

December 31 New Year's Eve - Richardson Senior Center, Richardson

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 salad supper at 6:30 and begin early rounds at 7:30. There will also be a Tin-can auction.

Only \$20 per person + \$8.00 Dance admission. We would like to know by the 9th of September if you are planning to ride the bus. To have a confirmed seat you will need to have a **paid reservations** by the 15th of September (\$20 per person). Pay Dave and Lorraine Burson. Make check payable to: **Swinging Stars**

We need at least 38 people paying to ride the bus. In the event that we don't have 38 paid reservations after the 9th we will open the reservations to other clubs to see if anyone from another club would like to ride with us.

To alleviate having to all stand in line upon arrival at Log Cabin Swingers, we will have you sign in on the sign up sheet and collect the admission to the dance on the bus. Please try to have the correct amount so we won't have to make change on the bus.

We will be leaving from the north east corner of the Wal-Mart parking lot located at Spring Creek and Central Expressway. The bus will leave promptly at 5:00 PM. The bus will be making 1 quick stop at the Dart Park and Ride at Skillman Station at about 5:15 PM. If you are planning to catch the bus at Skillman Station please let us know so we won't look for you at Wal-Mart.

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.

Calling all Angels

Once we see how many students register, we will start an angel assignment. 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 are out.

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, Texas Reelers, Texoma Squares.

ALL SQUARE and ROUND DANCERS

Past Week's Events and News ...

Fri Aug 19

Ft Worh Sqs and T Sq Gadabouts Reveille Dance with Rick Smith and Charles Crockett calling and Jack Kenny cueing.

Stars included: P. Amy, Burson, Evanto, John/Mary.

Banner Raid Sat Aug 20

Buttons and Bows "Salute the Troops" Reveille dance with Barry Hendricks calling and Charles Crockett cueing.

Stars included: P. Amy, Duncan, Evanto, Harris, Larry/Rosemary, Wheaton, Wolfe.

Sun Aug 21

Friendship Set To Music! Benefit Dance

There were 174 in attendance raising \$3,851 for the Japanese Square Dance Association and Tuscaloosa and Joplin disaster relief funds.

Stars included: P. Amy, Caps, Evanto, Harris, Larry/Rosemary, Wheaton, Wolfe. FUN was had by all. If you didn't go, you missed a great dance!

Coming up next ...

Fri Aug 26

Swinging Stars with Wayne Baldwin calling and John Brewer cueing Square dance workshop at 7:30; Dance at 8:00

Refreshments: Stuart, Jung, Loven

Banner Raid

Sat Aug 27

Dixie Chainers Salute the Troops Reveille Dance with Vernon Jones calling and Jack Von der Heide Cueing

Early Rounds 7:00 Grand March 7:30

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

Tue Aug 30

Lessons Swinging Stars Mainstream Square Dance Lessons. Carpenter Rec Center, 6701 Coit Rd. 7:00 to 9:00

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

Smile

Refreshment Schedule - thru December

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 26 Stuart, Jung, Loven

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

September 23 Giaudrone/Benedetto, Acker, Ross, Whipple, Nejdl, Smith/Hardin, Jimison,

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October 14 Starrett, Bullock, Duncan, Reid

November 11 Feldman, Cowdin, McGuire, Wolfe

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

Dec 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

And now, a message from out Lessons Chairpersons, Kenneth and Sally Henneberger

All students that took our lessons last year can angel this year, but they need to wear their Swinging Star Badge with their New Dancer Dangle attached to it.

Wayne has looked at the new classroom that we have this year and is real pleased about it. It has a white board on the wall behind where he will be teaching and plans to use it.

Wayne wants all of our members that are there in the classroom to dance and angel the students.

There will be chairs around the wall for people to sit. Please be conscious of the noise level and curb your conversations accordingly. If it gets too noisy for him to teach the students Wayne will ask that everyone be quiet in order for the students to hear what he has to say.

We want all of our members that are at lessons to mix and talk with the students and let them know how happy we are to have them and how much fun we have doing our favorite thing and that is square dancing. Do this especially during the breaks.

Link: Reveille dances

http://nortex.org/2011RU_schedule.html

This Month

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And Beyond

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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

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 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 1^{st} and 3^{rd} 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-