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# Swinging Stars

## Square and Round Dance Club

### July 2011 No. 1

## President's Corner

### A note from Ron and Annette Smith

Dear Gary and Peggy,

Ron and I have been members of the Swinging Stars Club since 1996, and regret that we will need to retire from the group of good friends and great dancing at this time. My teaching schedule makes it challenging for us to dance on Friday evenings. It has been a pleasure to belong to a group that has such wonderful leadership over the years, including our present board. Thanks for all your hard work in making the Swinging Stars such a great club of dancers.

Ron and Annette

**Joe Lewis** sent me a document that is Entitled "Prospecting – 163 Ways to Find and Retain New Dancers". There are a few in there I would never have thought of. Would YOU like to take on as a project implementing some of these ideas? Here are a few examples. I'll ask Dave to get a copy out on our website.

4. Pizza Boxes. Obtain permission from the manager. Ask your local pizza parlor to include a tri-fold or flyer about your club or classes or the square dance activity in every box.

12. Welcome Wagon / Newcomers. Get your information included in the information distributed to new residents.

29. Joint sponsorship of class. Seek joint sponsorship of your class with YMCA, YWCA,

Community Adult Education, Recreation District, Community College, church, radio station, major businesses, your company, etc.

65. One night stands. Party Programs. Hold a party program for church groups, couples groups, professional & business groups, resorts, campground programs, anniversaries, school groups, neighborhood associations, etc.

## **Lessons .... Lessons ... Lessons ... Lessons ...**

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

## **Invite your friends and acquaintances**

Be getting out and recruiting some students. Also, plan to angel as much as you can. We have a large room and can fit anyone who can help out.

## **Calling all Angels**

As we have done in the past, we will be making up an Angel schedule. Now I know it's early to be talking about our lessons and the details of making the best of them, but they'll be upon us sooner than you think. Please make this a priority.

**The Draw** – Virtual cash is \$50.00. Are you going to win it? To qualify, you have to make the OFFICIAL visitations and be at the following Stars dance.

**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)

**Rockwall Squares.**

**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, Texas Reelers, Texoma Squares, and Dixie Chainers.

**ALL SQUARE and ROUND DANCERS****Past Week's Events and News ...****Fri Jul 1 – Kissin' Kuzzins with Dave Viera calling and J.L. Pelton Cueing.**

12 Swinging Stars attended and we retrieved our banner.

Thanks to: Amy, Burson, Duncan, Feldman, Hamm, Starrett

**Fri Jul 1 – No report on Stars attending Texas Reelers.****Sat Jul 2 Decatur 8ers REVEILLE DANCE**

Vicki Evanto reported that there was no SS representation at the dance since Nortex Officers were specifically told to sign in as Nortex. Vicki and Tom were the only SSs in attendance.

**Sat. Jul 2 Solitaires New Dancer Dance**

Thanks to you who visited...no report of SS there.

Patsy Nester from Solitaires sent an email letting us know they appreciated Swinging Stars' support.

**Coming up Next Week...****Fri Jul 8 – Swinging Stars Happy Birthday America Ice Cream Party with Wayne Baldwin calling and John Brewer cueing.**

Early Rounds 7:30. Square Dancing 8:00.

**Refreshments:** Anthaume, Feldman, Hawkins, Meyer

**Sat Jul 9 – Cotton Pickin’ Squares Salute the Troops Reveille Dance with Charles Quisenberry calling and Christine Hixon Cueing.**

Early Rounds 7:30. Grand March 8:00 L-3 Rec Center, FM 1570, Greenville.

**Banner Raid – Let’s make as many of these Reveille dances as we can.**

**Special Dance – Please read now – Early Action required – If you can’t go, bring foodstuff or money donations to our Ice Cream Party Dance this Friday.**

## **NORTEX MAKING A DIFFERENCE Food Drive Donation Challenge Dances**

**Saturday July 16, 2011**

**Early Rounds 7:30 PM**

**Grand March 8:00 PM**

Past Presidents, Nortex Clubs and the NTCA are teaming together to help fill the local Food Bank shelves.

Two (2) Teams of Nortex Clubs will sponsor a challenge dance the same night to help the local Food Banks.

Team A: Will dance at Walnut Hill Rec. Center

Team B: Will dance at Swingtime Center.

Swinging Stars is on Team B....

Make plans to attend, have fun and help the Food Banks as much as possible.

If you wish to make a donation but cannot attend the benefit dance, bring your donation (food or cash) to our dance on July 8 and it will be taken to the July 16 dance at Swingtime.

See the June Promenade - page 38 for more information.

(Suggested donation at benefit dance is approx. \$10.00 non-perishable food or cash)

## **LADIES ONLY**

Ladies Luncheon

July 19, Tuesday

11:30 AM

Dukes Roadhouse

Plano, TX

RSVP Mary Hardin

[myhn2@yahoo.com](mailto:myhn2@yahoo.com)

## Round Corner

**Jul 9 'til ... Two Step lessons with JL and Linda Pelton**

Plaza Arts Center, 1115 4<sup>th</sup> Ave, Carrollton.

Call if interested: 972-897-6006

## Refreshment Schedule – thru December

July 8	Anthause, Feldman, Hawkins, Meyer
July 22	Harris, McClure, Rose, Evanto
Aug 12	Hamm, Mosher, R & A Smith, Milligan
Aug 26	Stuart, Capps, Jung, Loven
Sept 9	DeLuke, Bivens, Dennison, Lewis
Sept 23	Giaudrone/Benedetto, Ross, Acker, Whipple
Oct 14	Nejdl, Hardin/Smith, Jimison, Piziali
Oct 28	Dance cancelled due to Callers Cavalcade
Nov 11	Starrett, Bullock, Duncan, McGuire
Nov 25	Dance cancelled due to Thanksgiving Holiday weekend
Dec 9	Feldman, Cowdin, Reid, Wolfe
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](mailto: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

### This Month

## **Fri Jul 8**

Swinging Stars “Ice Cream Party” dance.

### **July 30**

Texas Reelers Anniversary Dance

## **And Beyond**

### **Friday Aug 12**

Swinging Stars “Back to School” dance.

### **Fri Sep 23**

Swinging Stars Pre-Roundup dance.

### **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 [sqdnclr@aol.com](mailto:sqdnclr@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!

[http://www.swingingstars.org/Weekends\\_Of\\_Intrest.html](http://www.swingingstars.org/Weekends_Of_Intrest.html)

### Plus and Advanced Clubs

#### Plus 4s

Every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto: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. 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> 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. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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-***