

Newsletter for October 7, 2012

Report on Swinging Stars' "Let's Have a Ball" Pre Round-Up Dance

INTERNATIONAL WORLD BALL

Thank you to all that helped to make our International World Ball as successful as it was. Everyone was so helpful to do their part. When everyone shares in the responsibilities of a special dance it makes the dance a lot more fun.

A big THANK YOU to the Committee Chairs and also a big thank you to of all their committee members.

<u>Decorations</u>, Kathy and Dan Mosher: Meyers, Loxsom, Whitakers, Staretts and Debbie Reid. <u>Set-Up</u>, Linda and Charlie Harris: Capps, Hamms, Stuarts, Lewises, and Hennebergers.

Food Service Attendants, Vickie and Chris Anthaume: Lewises, Ryders, Jimisons,

Benedetto/Giaudrone, Bivens, Hawkins, P. Amy, Perrotts, Whipple and Delukes.

<u>Beverage Service Attendants</u>, Jan and Richard Covington: Smith/Harden, Rows, Zari Kilegian, Jim Ross, Ramirez, Hennebergers, Trujillos, Weigels, Carters, Barbers, and Hurseys.

Honey Pot, Russ and Anne Nejdl, Maiers, Giffords, Starretts, Pitts.

<u>Greeters,</u> Jodie Baldwin, Eula Brewer, Duncans, Pharrs, Evantos, Underwoods, Thank you to Joe and Sandra Rose and Andy and Debbie Pizialis for filling in for our Treasurers while they were out of town.

I thank all the Swinging Stars that brought the outstandingly delicious salads and desserts. We got a lot of compliments on the cooks that are in our club. We had nearly 95% participation of the club bringing food and working on the committees. There were a few members that were out of town etc. All in all I am so thankful we have the greatest club in the area. I hope I have not missed thanking anyone. If I did, I assure it was not intentional. Dave and I are proud to be the President of the Swinging Stars.

Now for the part I was somewhat disappointed about. I didn't think that we had the attendance that we usually have for the Pre Round Up Dance. I think that has been the case for most of the Pre Round-up Dances this year. We only had 74 visitors. I am very happy to say we had 91 Swinging Stars present. This was a Total of 165 attending. We returned 5 Banners and gave out 1 of ours.

The Fourth Quarter Dues Are Due

Many of you have paid your dues by the year, some by the half year ,and some by the quarter. If you are not sure weather you are up to date with your dues contact the Treasurer, Jim Reid at jreid45@att.net

Dues are due by the first dance of the quarter. The quarters being January, April, July and October.

Swinging Stars "Greenie Night Friday, October 12

Swinging Stars Club Dance Friday, October 12. Swinging Stars Come to our Tailgate Party and Greenie

Night. Don't forget the theme for this dance is Tailgate Party. Show your team spirit by wearing your favorite Team Shirt. We have added an extra bit of excitement to our dance for this special dance. We will be having our talented members showing off their talents as either a caller or cuer. I don't know how many there are; however, I have heard that there are several of our members practicing. We will be surprised who will be picking up the microphone and knocking our socks off with their talents. You will not want to miss this night of fun. We will be having our regular format of early rounds at 7:30 and square dancing at 8:00. After the dancing is over we are all invited to Mama's Pizza for some of that "Yellow Soda Water" and a bit of "Boloney".

LESSONS ARE UNDERWAY

Report from Sept. 25th

I was very happy to see how well all the students are doing and that they all enjoy learning how to Square Dance. Thank you to the Angles that were there last Tuesday the 25th to help. Ralph and Lucy Hamm, Kenneth and Sally Henneberger, Joe and Coleta Lewis, George Loxsom, Russ Nejdl, Andy and Debbie Piziali, Jeff and Anne Stuart and also Dave and I.

Report from October, 2nd.

Everything went well Tuesday night at lessons. Jeff Stuart brought the "THE TEN COMMANDMENTS FOR SQUARE DANCING" which we gave to the students. He read several of them and the student seem to get a kick out of the ones he read. Anne, passed out copies of the "2nd Fun Dance Party" (page 29 in Oct. Promenade), that is on Sunday, Oct.21st from 2:00 to 4:00 at Senter Park East in Irving.

The Angels that were there are as follows: Jack Duncan Kris Delosua Joe & Debbie Delousa (Kris's Parents) from the "Country Cousins" in Kingsland, TX Peggy Amy Chris & Merry Trujillo Russ & Anne Nejdl **Dorinda Maier** George Loxsom **Richard & Jan Covington** John & Ann Barber Jeff Stuart Kenneth & Sally Henneberger Joe and Coleta Lewis Thank all of you for helping! Thanks, Kenneth Henneberger

Along with Dave and myself, we have 2 couples volunteering to help at the admissions Table at Roundup: Charlie and Linda Harris and Rosemary Benedetto and Larry Giaudrone. They have signed up to serve from 4 to 5 on Saturday. Please review the list and let me know if a time would be suitable for you to work the admissions table. Thanks.

Lorraine



I received this message and am passing it along to you all.

Dear Club Presidents,

With 2012 Round-Up just around the corner, we are looking for ways to have every NORTEX club active and involved in making it a wonderful, memorable weekend. We are asking your club to supply two or three couples to sit at the admissions table for one hour during Round-Up, which is Friday and Saturday,

October 26, 27. We thank you in advance for helping find workers.

Thanks.

Skip and Pat Garrison Admissions Chair

Swinging Stars.

We need volunteers to work the admissions tables at the NORTEX Round up. We have been ask to provide people to set at the admissions table during the times listed. We are not expected to fill all these time slots. These are what was available when she sent me this message.

Our openings are: FRIDAY Night: 7, 8

SATURDAY Morning: 10 Afternoon: 2, 3, 5, 6

Night: 8

Dave and I are working the Saturday Night 7:00 to 8:00 Shift

Please let me know if and when you are willing to give an hour or maybe you could share an hour with someone and only work a 1/2 hr.

Thanks,

Lorraine

EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK



Official Let's Do It Dance

Saturday, September 29. Decatur 8'ers. Roaring 20's Anniversary Dance. Several Swinging Stars made a rain soaked journey across the Metroplex to Swingtime Center in Ft. Worth Saturday, Sep 29, to attend the Decatur 8'ers 34th anniversary dance which featured a Roaring 20's theme. Eye candy was provided by many of the dancers done up in their gangster and flapper getup with prizes awarded for the best costumes. The callers were club caller Robert Walker and guest caller Joey Duhamel and Chris Farabaugh was cuing. The callers treated us to a couple of special calls during the tips including Texas Star (an old tyme call) and the Grand Teacup Chain. Enough Swinging Stars were present to capture the Decatur 8'ers banner with the following Stars in attendance: Peggy Amy, Richard and Jan Covington, Tom and Vicki Evanto, Richard and Dorinda Maier, and Bob and Terri Pitts.

Dance of Interest

Friday, October 5. Texas Reelers.

Two squares worth of Swinging Stars attended the Texas Reelers dance Friday, October 05 in Richardson, Texas. Mike Bramlett called the squares mixing in a little bit of his usual funkiness while John von de Heide expertly cued the rounds. The Swinging Stars in attendance included: Richard and Jan Covington, Mel and Sondra Faust, Charlie and Linda Harris, Richard and Dorinda Maier, Dan and Kathy Mosher, Deckard and Peggy Pharr, Bob and Terri Pitts, John Smith and Mary Hardin.



Official Let's Do It Dance

Saturday, October 6. Texoma Squares Boot Scootin' Ball.

The Swinging Stars headed north to visit the Texoma Squares on chilly Saturday, October 06. This was the Texoma Squares' Pre Round-Up dance with a Boot Scootin' Ball theme. Squares were called by Dave Vieira while rounds were cued by Michelle Vieira. Plenty of folks wore their Sunday best cowboy boots for the dance and, as usual, the Squares shared a wonderful meal. The Swinging Stars in attendance included: Peggy Amy, Richard and Jan Covington, Tom and Vicki Evanto, and Bob and Terri Pitts.

Bob, thank you again for making these reports for me.

COMING IN OCTOBER

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Dance of Interest

Saturday, October 13. OCTOBER FEAST NORTEX/NTCA Reunion and Food Bank Benefit Dance. Please support your local food bank by attending this dance and giving a \$10.00 cash donation or the equivalent of non-perishable food items (peanut butter, jelly and canned meats preferred). This is also a Reunion dance so if you know any previous dancers that are not dancing please feel free to invite them to come along to the dance. There will be callers and cuers from the North Texas area. Early rounds 7:00 and Grand March is at 7:30. The dance will be at the Farmers Branch Senior Center 14055 Dennis @ Valwood. Don't be late. You will miss to much of the fun if you are late. See ad on page 25 of the October Promenade.

Dance of Interest

Sunday, October 14. Log Cabin Swingers. Sunday special with Caller/Cuer Jerry Junck from Nebraska and also Mesa, Az. Dance is 3:00 to 5:00pm. Mainstream with Announced Plus Tips. One Round between Tips. Promenade Hall 1210 N. Tool Dr. Hwy. 274 Tool, Tx. Car Pool. It's fun!

Ladies Luncheon

Wednesday, October 17 @ 11:30. The host for this month is Janelle Row. Janelle has made reservations for us at an intimate Italian restaurant near her house. It is Venezia Italian Cafe at 908 Audelia Rd, Richardson, 75081. Their Web Site is: <u>www.veneziaitaliancafe.com</u>. There is a menu and map on the website. All of their pastas come with salad and rolls for \$5.99. And the food is good.

She needs to let them know the number coming by Saturday, Oct 13. Email Janelle at <u>flowerskid@sbcglobal.net</u> to make your reservation.

Dance of Interest

Friday, October 19. PEA PICKER & SINGLE PEAS Square Dance CLUB SPECIAL.

Caller: Mike Sikorsky. Henderson County Sr. Citizens Building, 3344 Hwy 31 E. Athens, TX. (just outside Loop 7 next to the Fairgrounds) Athens, Texas. 7:00 pm-9:30 pm. MS & Plus with Tough Plus Tip. If you have never danced to this caller you are in for a real treat. Dave and I are planning to go. Please let me know if you are interested. We will need to car pool. Athens isn't really much further than Tool.

Official Visitation

Saturday, October 20. Rebel Rousers Sunset Dance.



Caller Mike Bramlett. Cuer Christine Hixson Early Rounds 7:30 Grand March 8:00. Let's all wear our aqua. This is a Banner Raid. Richardson Senior. Center 820 Arapaho Rd. Richardson.

Dance of Interest

Sunday, October 21, 2:00 to 4:00. NTCA and NORTEX invite you to the 2nd Fun Dance Party. Callers: Mike Bramlett and Deborah Carroll-Jones. Line Dancing and Mixers: John Pryor. Basic calls 1 thru 30. Swinging Stars please come and invite some of our students to come with you. I guarantee you will have a great time dancing with the students. They are fun people. Senter Park East 228 Chamberlain Irving, Tx. This is a free dance. See ad on page 29 of the October Promenade.

Official Dance

Friday, October 26. CALLER'S CAVALCADE. Callers and Cuers will be a cavalcade of members of the North Texas Caller's Association. Early Rounds at 7:00 Grand March at 7:45. We need you to attend so that we can get our club in the drawing for a \$50.00 rebate from the NTCA. Please read the ad on page 7 of the October Promenade for more information. I know you will be there!

OFFICIAL NORTEX ROUND-UP DANCE 2012

Saturday, October 27. Let's Do It... have A Ball. Featured Caller: Hunter Keller, Staff Caller: Mike Bramlett, and Staff Cuer: Christine and Theron Hixson. Read the schedule for time of the events on Page 18 of the October Promenade.

Read the ad on page 12 of the October Promenade for details of the Round-up. Please <u>don't</u> plan to miss this Big Event. If you miss this dance you will miss the best and a most exciting young caller around. If you don't believe me ask Peggy Pharr, she just spent a week dancing to him in Colorado.

These Items were left after the dance on Sept 28. Contact Coleta Lewis at <u>cllewis@verizon.net</u> to claim your stuff.

- 1. Two plastics bowls with blue tops, one had a cold slaw in it
- 2. Two large plastic bowls, no tops, with black ladels
- 3. One green knife/slicer for a chocolate cake

Schedule of advertised Theme Dances for the remainder of the year.

October 12 Tailgate Party and Greenie Night

November 9 Chili Cook Off and Honor our Veterans Dance

December 14 New Dancer Dance/Toys & Books for Children's Advocacy Cen. Benefit Dance January 25, 2013 Anniversary Dance

REFRESHMENTS DUTY AND INFORMATION

Refreshment Schedule – thru December 2012

Lead couple is first name on the list.

October 12	Lewis, Meyer, Jung, Whitaker*
October 26	Dance Cancelled due to Callers Cavalcade Dance
November 9	Amy, Feldman, Henneberger, Sherman*
November 23	Dance Cancelled due to Thanksgiving Holiday
December 14	Dennison, Giaudrone/Benedetto, Loxsom, Bullock
December 28	Dance Cancelled due to the school not being available to us.

Those with a * next to their name should not be in the Leader position until further notice. The lead couple should contact all members on the team to be sure they know the following:

- What they are going to bring for refreshments.
- Arrive at dance by 7:00 pm. As per our contract with the PISD we are not to be in the gym before 7:00; refreshments shut down at 9:30 pm (no earlier).
- Repack bags in a Tidy Manner. If you take home a refreshment bag check that it has all the items listed on the Fluorescent Hang Tag in the bag. And be sure all items are clean.
- Thank you all for serving on our Refreshment Team.

Refreshment Duty Reminders:

- If you have a conflict with the Refreshment Schedule, please contact someone on the refreshment list to trade with you.
- Notify the refreshment schedulers: Jeff & Anne Stuart at 972-699-1317 or email: jwstuart@flash.net with the names of your schedule changes.
- Attend the dance prior to your turn for refreshments to pick up the three bags. Or be sure that someone picks them up for you.
- Check refreshment bags for the info regarding "Refreshment Duty Tips" and "List of Items Supplied by the Club".
- Contact Ralph and Lucy Hamm at 214-872-7219 or <u>rehamm45@gmail.com</u> for supplies prior to purchasing by Monday prior to club dance. We may already have what you need.



Sunday, November 11. Swinging Stars Regular Business Meeting Friday, December 7th. Swinging Stars Christmas Party Sunday, December 2nd. Toys for Tots dance in the afternoon and a Christmas Dance in the evening. More information as it becomes available.

Friday, January 25th. Swinging Stars Anniversary Dance. Sunday, January 27th. Singing call and Round Dance of the year

Houston Hoe-down - Galveston, TX November 16 & 17

The Houston Hoe-down (Houston version of NORTEX Round-Up) will be at Moody Gardens in Galveston, TX and features caller Dee Dee Dougherty and cuer Mark Prow.

Dancing will be Friday 7:00PM-11:00PM and Saturday 9:30AM-10:30PM.

There will be four dance halls on Saturday:

- 1) Mainstream / Plus with Rounds,
- 2) Rounds & Intro to Rounds,
- 3) Plus DBD / A1 / A2 and intro to A1,
- 1) Lines / Contra / Clogging.

The cost is \$25 ea. if you register by Oct.30th.

Let Bob Pitts (<u>bobp8211@gmail.com</u>) know so you can be included in the event planning. The link to the event flyer is: <u>http://www.squarethru.com/Hoedown%20Flyer%202012-L.pdf</u>.

Looks like a good group so far: Bob & Terri Pitts Dave & Lorraine Burson Rick & Jan Covington Bill & Wendy Perrott Gary & Peggy Amy Peggy & Deckard Pharr - probable

Thanks, Bob

Out of Town and Weekend Dances:

For information about weekend dances go to our Web Page <u>www.swingingstars.org</u> and click on Weekends.

Dave and Lorraine Burson Swinging Stars President Email: <u>Dave@Bursons.us</u>