Newsletter for October 9, 2016

From Kathy and Bob Estep, Swinging Stars Presidents:

Club Dance – Oktoberfest – This Friday: OK, for those living under a rock for the past several weeks, we have a big Double Deal Dance this Friday night. It is our Oktoberfest Dance. I am told, by several, that the official Oktoberfest colors are Aqua\Turquoise and White. So, if you have it, we should all look the part by wearing one of our Club Colors (Aqua\Turquoise); if you do not have Aqua\Turquoise then some shade of Blue would work. The Hamms, Bergesens, Bivins, Feldmans, Kilejians, and Reids will be serving on the refreshments/decorations committee. We are expecting a large crowd. In addition to hot dogs and the "fixings" provided, we are asking each couple to bring EITHER a salad OR a dessert to serve 10-12 people. To signup you can reach out to Lucy Hamm – llhamm45@gmail.com Since this is our Double Deal Dance we are asking everyone in the Club to help with refreshments!

Lessons: Lessons continue in Allen being taught by Richard Covington. Unfortunately our Fall Lessons class did not have enough students to continue. Richard needs "Angels" to assist with the class so please consider helping as Richard will be pointing his students to Swinging Stars. Following is the info on the class:

Instructor / Caller: Richard Covington Time: Monday evening; 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Location: 105 South Anna Dr.

Allen, TX 75013

For More Information: Richard Covington – 214-675-6525

Read all the way to the end of the Newsletter as the "Important Dates" are starting to get filled in for the year.

Kathy and Bob

Happening This Week

Monday, October 10 – Lessons in Allen – Need Angels.

Friday, October 14 – Swinging Stars – Oktoberfest – Wayne Baldwin & Walter Brewer

Saturday, October 15 – Rebel Rousers – also an Oktoberfest theme – Dan Nordby, Mike Bramlett & Christine

Hixson

Announcements

Swinging Stars Holiday Party -- Holiday Party!! Friday December 2nd, Haggard Party Barn

Get your money in early! \$38.00 per couple (Members, students and associates only). Evening includes BBQ dinner with all the fixins', beer and margaritas. Dancing and fun You can mail your check PAYABLE to Betty Wheaton 6102 Lakeshore Dr, Rowlett, TX 75089. Or you can bring cash or your check (payable to Betty) to an upcoming dance. BIG SHOUT OUT to Betty for helping with the party!!

2nd VP Report – 9 October 2016 Jim & Knarik Bondi

RECENT ACTIVITY -- DANCING/TRAINING

"A" Dance followed by Plus Dance

Wednesday 5 October - Plus 4s

During the early "A" dance presented by caller & teacher, "Quiz," recent A graduates were joined by several seasoned A dancers. Stressed calls included Chain Reaction and Motivate while surprise calls included "Remake the Diamond." During the main Plus dance that followed, a total of 16 Swinging Stars participated. Quiz's Plus "brain teasers" this night included, among others, a few attempts at "Left Relay the Deucey." A big Thank You to these Swinging Stars who attended: P. Amy, Bergesens, Bondis, Esteps, Hamms, Kerns, Kilejians, Sees, and M. Hardin.

Square + Round Dance

Friday 7 October - Kissin Kuzzins - "Remember the 50's"

16 Swinging Stars made the jaunt to Garland Friday evening to celebrate with the Kissin Kuzzins at their "Remember the 50's" dance. Guest cuer, Christine Hixson, delivered a full hour of early rounds featuring a good mix of rhythms and phases, and continued to do likewise during the intermittent rounds that followed in the main dance. In that main dance, squares were led very ably by Texas Hall of Fame club caller, Wayne Baldwin. Wayne invited caller trainee, Bill Hinkley, to call one full tip and to help with the evening-closing singing call. Consistent with the 50's theme, many ladies had donned their best poodle skirts while several men opted for the white T-shirt-based "Fonz" look made famous by Henry Winkler in the sitcom "Happy Days." All present had a great time. Swinging stars participating included: P. Amy, Bondis, Esteps, Evantos, Hamms, Harrises, Pharrs, Smith/Hardin, and C. Wolfe.

Square + Round Dance

Saturday 8 October – Dixie Chainers – "Oktoberfest"

12 Swinging Stars journeyed to Farmers Branch Saturday evening to dance with the Dixie Chainers at their "Oktoberfest" pre-Round-Up dance. Club cuer, Jack von der Heide presented a very nice array of rounds that kept round dancers well engaged all evening. For his part, club caller, Vernon Jones, called an energetic set of squares overall, featuring some great rock tunes delivered as only he can, but also purposely injected, midevening, one easy tip specially for the several Dixie Chainers square dance students present. Our host's "Oktoberfest" food spread included some great dogs/wursts, krauts, and potato salads. Yum, yum -- almost like being in Germany! A big thank you to these Swinging Stars attendees: P. Amy, Bondis, Esteps, T. Evanto, Feldmans, Lassiters, and Perrotts.

RECENT ACTIVITY -- OTHER

Miscellaneous Dancing Reports

If you're a Swinging Star wanting to submit a SHORT report on a unique dancing visit that otherwise would not get covered here, please submit it to 2ndvp@swingingstars.org no later than mid Sunday afternoon for inclusion here in that night's newsletter. Try to include the names of fellow Swinging Stars who attended with you plus a few salient details (such as club, location, caller, cuer).

BANNER REPORT

We currently hold 11 banners captured from other clubs. On the flip side, other clubs currently hold 2 Swinging Stars banners captured from us. Overall banner status is detailed below. Remember, if you visit a club whose banner we already hold, please do not accept another of their banners.

Other Club Banners Held by Us

Club	Date Captured
Kissin Kuzzins	16-Sep-2016
Texas Reelers	19-Aug-2016
Rebel Rousers	16-Jul-2016
Triangle Square	15-Jul-2016
Log Cabin Swingers	07-May-2016
Roadrunners	30-Apr-2016
Cotton Pickin Squares	23-Apr-2016
Solitaires	02-Apr-2016
Dixie Chainers	28-Mar-2015
Diamond Jubileers	14-Mar-2015
T Square Gadabouts	20-Feb-2015

Swinging Stars Banners Held at Other Clubs

Club	Date Captured
Tri City Promenaders	23-Sep-2016
Trail Blazers	24-Jun-2016

UPCOMING ACTIVITY -- CLUB-RECOMMENDED DANCING

Our Square + Round Dance - Double Deal

Friday 14 October – Swinging Stars – "Oktoberfest"

Caller: Wayne Baldwin
Cuer: Walter Brewer

Early Rounds: 7:00, Early Plus: 7:45, Grand March: 8:00

Shepard Eelementary School

1000 Wilson Drive, Plano, TX 75075

UPCOMING ACTIVITY -- DANCING/TRAINING OF INTEREST

All Plus Square Dance

Thursday 13 October – Double Plus –

Caller: Darryl Lipscomb

Square Workshop: 7:00, Dance: 7:30

Swingtime Center

5100 S.E. Loop 820 (take "Anglin" exit), Fort Worth, TX

Square + Round Dance

Saturday 15 October – Rebel Rousers – "Oktoberfest"

Caller: Dan Nordbye (guest), Mike Bramlett (club)

Cuer: Christine Hixson

Early Rounds: 7:00, Plus: 7:30, Grand March: 8:00

Richardson Senior Center

820 W. Arapaho Rd., Richardson TX 75080

UPCOMING ACTIVITY -- OTHER

Ladies Luncheon

Wednesday 19 October, 11:30 AM – "First Watch" (Plano)

Maryann Starrett has volunteered to be hostess for the October Ladies Luncheon at 11:30 AM on Wednesday October 19th at "First Watch," located at 3131 Custer Road in Plano. The restaurant was previously called "The Egg & I." "First Watch" serves breakfast & lunch. You can see some of the menu at www.firstwatch.com (click on "MENU"). Only some of the available things are shown but Frank and Maryann went on Sunday and were pleasantly surprised that his sandwich was huge and came with soup or salad for around \$8.95. She also remembers seeing someone with 2 huge pancakes and fruit that looked really good and could be shared. Please let Maryann Starrett know by Oct. 17th at fmstar@swbell.net or 214-387-4799 if you plan to attend. We look forward to seeing all the ladies of the Swinging Stars attend.

Refreshments Duty and Information

October 14: Hamm, Bergesen, Bivins, Feldman, Kilejian, Reid (Double Deal Dance)

October 28: Closed due to NORTEX Cavalcade November 11: **Trujillo**, Rose, Deluke, Halvorson November 25: Closed due to Thanksgiving Holiday

December 9: **Evanto**, Bondi, Mosher, Stuart December 22: Closed due to Holiday Season

Please do not purchase any staple items (plates, cups, napkins, forks, etc, etc.) without first checking with the 1st Vice Presidents [Russ and Ann Nejdl] to see if they are already in inventory.

Thank you all for serving on our Refreshment Team

Important dates for the next year (you should have these on your calendar!):

October 14, 2016 – Swinging Stars DD Dance – Oktoberfest theme since the end of the month is Round-UP.

October 28, 2016 – Swinging Stars Dance cancelled to support Callers Cavalcade

October 28 - 30, 2016 – Callers Cavalcade and NORTEX Oktoberfest (Round-UP)

November 13, 2016 – Swinging Stars Quarterly meeting. Mark your calendars now

December 2, 2016 – Swinging Stars Holiday Party at Haggard Party Barn. (Linda Harris coordinator)

March 31, 2017 – Swinging Stars Anniversary Dance (Lorraine Burson coordinator)

September 22, 2017 – Swinging Stars DD Dance (Something Special)

Check out and Like our Facebook page at: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Swinging-Stars-Square-Round-Dance-Club/278689705592854

For information about weekend dances, go to our Web Page www.swingingstars.org and click on Weekends.

Remember our Sunshine person is Lucy Hamm, and you can email her at <u>llhamm45@gmail.com</u> or phone her at 214-872-7219. Please contact her with anything that we need to be aware of in regards to sickness or other issues.

Kathy & Bob Estep

Swinging Stars Presidents

Email: president@swingingstars.org

Phone: 972-618-3640

Upcoming Advertised Swinging Stars Theme Dances – Flyer(s) follow below:



Swinging Stars

Double Deal Dance

Friday October 14, 2016

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: Walter Brewer



Early Rounds: 7:00

Plus Dancing: 7:45

Grand March: 8:00

Hot Hash after the last tip

Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano

Banners Honey Pot Fun Fellowship Refreshments

Dancers Under 18 dance free when accompanied by a paying adult

For info: 972-834-3097 or president@swingingstars.org

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Friday, November 11, 2016

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Guest Cuer: JL Pelton

Sq. Workshop: 7:00 PM

Plus Dancing: 7:45 PM

Grand March: 8:00 PM

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