



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for October 11, 2015

From Doug and Jan Bergesen, Swinging Stars President:

There are so many important announcements this week, we won't even write anything here. Just read this amazing newsletter!

Happening This Week

Thursday, October 15 – Of Interest Visit to Roadrunners – Monster Mash Dance – DD – Early Rounds: 6:45PM. Workshop: 7:00PM. Grand March: 7:30PM at the Swingtime Center.

Friday, October 16 – Outing – Southern Junction Steak House – 6:15PM reservation. 5574 Hwy 276 Royce City Tex. 75189 www.southernjunctionlive.com

Saturday, October 17 – Official Visit to Buttons and Bows – Shake Rattle and Roll 50's Dance – Workshop: 7:00PM. Early Rounds: 7:30PM. Grand March: 8:00PM at the Senter Park East Rec. Center, Irving.

Announcements

Halloween Dance

October 23rd will be our Halloween costume dance with a \$25 prize for the best couple costume and \$25 for the best individual costume. Participate and join the fun and who knows you might win.

A Lessons Update

Don't miss the next set of round dance lessons!

JL and Linda will be teaching Beginning Rumba and Cha Cha starting Tuesdays January 12 at Carpenter Rec Center. The Latin rhythms are the easiest to learn and if you have never had any round dance lessons, it's a great rhythm to start with. Look for the class in the next Parks and Rec Catalog coming out in late fall, Course # 174456.

Lessons will be held at the same time (7:15 to 9:15) on Tuesdays and will be held in the same room used in the past. JL and Linda will follow the beginning class with an intermediate class starting in late March so you will learn enough Rumba and Cha Cha to dance any of those rhythms at any square dance you attend. Plus -- you get two rhythms for one set of lessons.

Advance notice too that JL and Linda will be teaching a Saturday Refresher Workshop class at Plano Senior Center starting in January too. This class will be held Saturday mornings from 9:45 to 11:45. Curriculum for this class will be set by the participants who sign up for the class. It will be a great opportunity to refresh some past lessons and improve your dancing abilities in a variety of square dance level rounds.

GROW YOUR CLUB!! Our Clubs' Success Depends on YOU!!

January 2016 Lessons – Carpenter Rec Center – Tuesday night – Start Jan 12, 2016

PRIZES for the most students becoming members!! The GOAL is a minimum of 16 couples in lessons which become club member but we can handle three times that number.

A way to measure our efforts to recruit is to gather lead information from each club member. Next the lesson committee and club member can nurture those leads into “sign up” students. We’re gathering names, addresses, phone numbers and emails of those you think are good candidates for lessons. Send your lead information to Mark and Karen Hawkins (Lessons Committee Chairman) at markt.karen@gmail.com and/or Bob and Kathy Estep (1st VP) at bob.estep@hotmail.com. Remember if each current Club couple identifies just one or two new leads we will have a full class; but you must do your part for that success! If you do not want to be involved in the follow up that is OK, the Lesson Committee will follow up for you. We just need the lead information. Remember, your contact info for prospective dancers (Name, address, phone, email) is due December 1st. You don’t want to miss out on the prize.

Linda Harris (LindaHarrisTX@hotmail.com) is contacting any free advertising available in the Plano, Frisco, Allen, etc. area. Please send her any bulletin or ‘hard copy print’ idea/contact you see in your travels. **When you help, all jobs are much easier!**

Current Lessons

Our Fall lessons class was not as successful as we had hoped. However, Swinging Stars have two great couples (Douglas & Donna Williams and Greg & Mindy Brockmann) attending lessons at Kissin Kuzzin’s. They are doing wonderful and will make great additions to the Club. The lessons are held at the Garland Senior Center at 7pm on Tuesday nights with Ray Savell teaching. Please attend a lesson or two and get to know our new recruits. Let Mark or Karen know when you can attend.

Chili/Dessert Cook-Off

We expect an extra large attendance at the Chili and Dessert Cook-off this year.

So please help us out and enter for either the Chili Cook-off or the Dessert Cook-off or Both.

We need as many contestants as we can get.

Just email responses to garyfamy@yahoo.com and let me know as soon as you can.

What: Swinging Stars 6th Annual Chili and Dessert Cook-off

When: Friday Nov. 13, 2015 (Second Friday in November)

Club Meeting

All club members mark your calendars for Sunday, November 8th for our next Club meeting at Spring Creek BBQ. We will be voting on next year’s board members among other things.

USO Dance

On Dec. 6th, NORTEX will have a special dance to raise money for USO. As a club, we will participate in the auction. If our club entry has the highest bid, we get 12 months of ads in the Promenade! As a board, we have decided it would be great for us all to participate around a theme – gift cards! Turn in whatever gift cards you want to Doug and Jan Bergesen and they will arrange them in a basket, wreath, or tree (whatever looks best).

*** * * From Your 2nd VP's, Dave and Lorraine Burson* * ***
Report for October 11, 2015

Saturday October 10, Cotton Pickin' Squares

Double Deal Special Dance

Nineteen Swinging Stars visited the Cotton Pickin Squares and captured their Banner. We enjoyed dancing to Mike as he called what he calls "extended application". My interpretation is that it is DBD. Christine cued to a good mix of rhythms for the round dancer to enjoy. A special thanks to all the Swinging Stars that attended. Thank you P. Amy, Bondis, Bursons, Duncans, Esteps, Halversons, Harrises, Lassiters, Pittses, and the Sees. Swinging Stars had the most club members attending, after the Cotton Pickin Squares. They had 21.

Banner Report

We have captured 10 banners to date. As usual if you are visiting one of the clubs listed and they want to give you a banner, don't accept it.

Banners Captured by the Swinging Stars

Club	Date Captured
Buttons and Bows	Feb-7-15
Cotton Pickin	Oct-10-15
Diamond Jubileers	Mar-14-15
Dixie Chainers	Mar-28-15
Kissin Kuzzins	Oct-2-15
Lone Star Solos	Mar-12-15
Roadrunners	May 30-15
T Square Gadabouts	Feb-20-15
Triangle Squares	Sept-18-15
Tri-City Promenaders	Jan-24-15

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Texas Reelers	Aug-14-15 & Sept 23-15
Rebel Rousers	Sept 23-15

OCTOBER VISITATION SCHEDULE AND COMING EVENTS

LET'S STRIVE TO KEEP SQUARE DANCING ALIVE

Check below for the details

Dance Of Interest Double Deal

Thursday October 15, Roadrunners

Monster Mash Theme Dance and Double Deal

Here is an opportunity to dance to one of the great Callers, Dan Nordbye. Dan is an international caller from Mesa, Arizona. You will also have the privilege of dancing to Karen Gloodt, and you all know how wonderful she is. You will not want to miss all the fine dancing to these two talented icons of the square and round dance world. In addition you will be able to collect more signatures for your visitation dangles. They invite you to wear your costume or dress as usual.

Time: Early Rounds 6:45, Workshop with Dan 7:00, Grand March 7:30

Caller: Dan Nordbye

Quick Look Cuer: Karen Gloodt

Location: Swingtime Center

5100 E. Loop 820 Ft Worth

Southern Junction Outing

Friday, October 16

I have had requests for a trip to the Southern Junction Steak House and Nightclub. We have done this in the past and it was enjoyed by 30 or so. If you are interested please email me and let me know and I will book a reservation. I have scheduled this event for Oct 16th. It is a Friday and on Friday we can have 2-4-1 steak special if you arrive before 7:00. Southern Junction is a steak house and dance hall. They have steaks and other items on the menu. You can cook your own steak or have them cook it for you for \$2.00 extra. You can read all about Southern Junction by going to www.southernjunctionlive.com.

Their address is 5574 Hwy 276 Royce City Tex. 75189

Please let me know ASAP if you would like to be included on the reservation list. If you have questions please contact Lorraine Burson. Email to lorraine@bursons.us ASAP or call me at 972-396-0941.

Official Visitation Double Deal

Saturday October 17, Buttons and Bows

Shake, Rattle & Roll Theme Dance

They are celebrating the 1950's era of dancing. They will be celebrating with great dancing, fun, food, and fellowship. You are welcome to come in 50's attire. So roll up your blue jeans and put on your favorite poodle skirt and get hoppin' With Barry Hendricks calling and Charles Crockett cueing it is bound to be a fun time.

Time: Workshop 7:00, Early Rounds 7:30, Grand March 8:00

Caller: Barry Hendricks

Quick Look Cuer: Charles Crockett

Location: Senter Park East Rec.

Center 228 Chamberlain Irving, Tx

Ladies Luncheon

Wednesday Oct 21

Peggy Pharr has graciously volunteered to host the luncheon for October. Lunch has been scheduled for Wed. Oct. 21 at 11:30 at Taste of Home, Wylie, a quaint country eatery. The restaurant is located at 302 N. Ballard Ave in Wylie, that is the main street through town. They have a nice variety of foods and have a menu on the Internet. Please let Peggy Pharr know by Mon. Oct. 19 if you can attend. Contact Peggy at pjp0901@juno.com or phone #972-843-3991. Check their menu and find directions by going to their website www.tasteofhomewylie.com

Dance Of Interest

Saturday October 24, Tri City Promenaders

Load the Boat and Come Sail Away Theme Dance

Load the boat and sail away with Commodore Kinsey calling the squares and First Mate Chris Farabaugh supplying the round dance cues. They will set sail with Early Rounds at 7:00, workshop at 7:30 and Grand March at 8:00.

Time: Workshop 7:00, Early Rounds 7:30, Grand March 8:00

Caller: Paul Kinsey

Quick Look Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

Location: Brookside Center 1244

Brookside Dr. Hurst, Tex

Callers Cavalcade

Friday October 30 North Texas Callers Association

Special Club Drawing

In an effort to give back to those who supported the NTCA, the NTCA will be giving away two \$50 drawings to dancers that purchase advanced tickets. For any club that attends this year's cavalcade with one or more square, those club names will be placed in a special drawing. The NTCA will draw two clubs names. The winning clubs will receive a \$50 Thank you from the NTCA.

Location: Grapevine Convention Center
1209 S. Main Street
Callers and Cuers: Members of the NTCA
Time: 6:00 pm New Callers Dance
7:00 pm Early Rounds
7:45 pm Grand March

Round-Up 2015

Saturday October 31 & November 1 NORTEX Square and Round Dance Association

Come Sail Away

The Featured caller is Jerry Story. If you are new to square dancing or have not gone to any weekend dances you may not be familiar with how great a caller he is. He is internationally known as one of the best. Bobby Willis and Mike Bramlett will be the staff callers and will be calling along with Jerry though out the entire Roundup. The cuers will be Chris Farabaugh, Karen Gloodt, and Christine Hixson. This promises to be one of the best Round-ups that we have had for awhile. The schedule is listed in the October Promenade on page 20. Be sure to do early registration by [FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2015](#) Early registrations cannot be accepted if postmarked after Friday, October 16, 2015. This means ALL registration formats whether you are registering on-line or by mail. Tickets may be purchased at the door on the night of the dance after this cutoff date.

Refreshments Duty and Information

October 23	Smith/Hardin, See, Lee, Estep
November 13	(The Cook-off) Hawkins, Gifford, P. Amy, Evanto, Duncan, Rickert
December 11	McClure, Starrett, Perrott, Kilejian

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

Thank you all for serving on our Refreshment Team!

Upcoming Advertised Swinging Stars Theme Dances



Swinging Stars



*Calling All Ghosts, Goblins,
and Freaks of the Night!!!*

YOU'RE INVITED TO A HALLOWEEN SCARE.

COME JOIN US IF YOU DARE. BOO!



Prizes For The Best Costumes

Friday, October 23, 2015



Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: Walter Brewer

Early Rounds: 7:00

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 adults

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



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Chili and Dessert

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COOK OFF



Yummy



Prizes for Best Chili and Best Dessert

Friday, November 13, 2015

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Guest Cuer: JL Pelton

Workshop 7:00

Grand March 8:00

Hot Hash after last tip



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Banners Honey Pot Fun Food Good Dancing

Dancers Under 18 dance free when accompanied by a paying adult

For info: 214-872-7219 or President@swingingstars.org

Visit our Web Site: swingingstars.org

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

October 30 – November 1, 2015 – NORTEX Callers Cavalcade and Round-Up

November 13, 2015 Swinging Stars Chili Cook-Off Dance

December 4, 2015 – Swinging Stars Holiday Party – Haggard Party Barn

January 30, 2016 – Swinging Stars 41st Anniversary Dance

June 22 – 25, 2016 – National Square Dance Convention in Des Moines, Iowa

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 Debbie Piziali, and you can email her at debbie@piziali.dv.org or phone her at 214-552-9802. Please contact her with anything that we need to be aware of in regards to sickness or other issues.

Doug & Jan Bergesen

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