



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for October 18, 2015

From Doug and Jan Bergesen, Swinging Stars President:

Have you started on your list yet? You know, the list of people you think might be interested in square dance lessons in January. We have decided that we will even have an Intro to Square Dancing Dance on January 8th from 7:00 to 8:00 (with the regular dance starting at 8:00).

How about the gift cards we are collecting for the USO dance? Have you given that some thought? It doesn't have to be a lot, just what you can do. You can bring your gift cards to the next 2 dances.

Something near and dear to our hearts is the next club meeting on November 8th at 3:00 at Spring Creek BBQ. Why is that so special for us? We elect a new board! 8)

The Holiday Party is coming up December 4th. Put it on your calendar because we know how December tends to fill up! More details to come.

Doug and Jan

Happening This Week

Wednesday, October 21 – Ladies Luncheon at Taste of Home at 11:30AM in Wylie

Friday, October 23 – Club Dance – Halloween Costume Dance – Early Rounds: 7:00PM. Grand March: 8:00PM at the Shepard Elementary School. (\$25 each for best couple and best individual)

Saturday, October 24 – Of Interest Visit to Tri-City Promenaders – Load the Boat - Come Sail Away Dance – Early Rounds: 7:00PM. Workshop: 7:30PM. Grand March: 8:00PM at the Brookside Center in Hurst.

Announcements

Square Dance Lessons

This is the ad that is going to be in the Plano Rec Center activity catalog.

WINTER SESSION

MODERN SQUARE DANCE (BEG)

Square Dancing is friendship set to music bringing people together for fun and fellowship.

Learn the moves while dancing them, which gives good mental and physical exercise. There will be 16 lessons and no previous dance experience is necessary. Sponsored by the Plano Swinging Stars Square Dance Club, the first two lessons are free. The fee is per person and signing up with a partner is required.

Course No. 177559 CAR Tu 7:15 - 9:15 1/12 16
Baldwin \$65 per dancer

The winter session will start January 12th and ending date will be April 26th.
The Class requires 16 people.

We need your help! We will be having square dance lessons starting January 12th and we need at least 16 people (2 squares) of new dancers. Please start collecting names, addresses, emails, and phone numbers of people you think might be interested and send them to Mark Hawkins at markt.karenl@gmail.com. And why would you want to do that? Because there are prizes! The two couples who have the most couples join our club after taking lessons will get part of their dues paid for the next year – one quarter for each new couple joining.

You may be thinking, I don't know anyone new. I've already asked everyone. But wait! Here are some ideas. Do you have an "empty nester" group at your church? They would be perfect! Are you a school teacher (active or retired)? You might be able to put a flier in each of the mailboxes at school. Do you know anyone who makes New Year's Resolutions? They might resolve to be more active or do something fun with their spouse... like square dancing! Do you know someone who might want to give someone a Christmas present? What better gift than giving square dance lessons!

And the best part is that you don't even have to ask these people! Once you give the names to Mark, he puts them on his contact list and the club will send them a "save the date" notice, and follow up with a letter and a phone call (or two). It's painless, and you could be our big winner! Not only that, you will be helping our club and introducing them to a world of fun. So start making your list NOW!

Need a club roster on your smart phone??

You can put our club roster on your mobile device (cell phone, PDA, tablet, etc.) by importing a comma-separated values version from Andy Piziali or Dave Burson. A special thanks to Andy Piziali and Dave Burson who have been working on this. If you have any questions you can contact them.

*** * * From Your 2nd VP's, Dave and Lorraine Burson * * ***
2nd VP Report for October 18, 2015

Thursday October 15, Roadrunners

Monster Mash Theme Dance and Double Deal

6 Swinging Stars visited the Road Runners' double-deal "Monster Mash" dance at Swingtime Center in Fort Worth on Thursday. It was a great dance featuring Nebraska native Dan Nordbye on squares and the beloved Karen Glodt on rounds. As the evening progressed, Karen cued a broad mix of rhythms and difficulties that allowed every round dancer to dance at least some, if not all, of the time. On squares, Dan began with a workshop featuring "Meet a Friend," a new call to most of us ... in which the centers of any 4-person line (single-faced, two-faced, wave, whatever) run around the ends and roll while the ends slide toward each other, face, and pass through. The call finishes in a 4-person column with the 2 rollers on each end facing in and the 2 passers through in the center, back to back, facing the rollers. During the remainder of the evening, Dan called a great array of rapidly paced tips, including 2 plus tips and some very nice singing calls. All dancers, many dressed as various Halloween ghouls, goblins, and myriad of monsters, had a terrific time. Swinging Stars present included Bondis, Pitts, and Sees. Huge thanks to all 3 couples attending and I extend my utmost appreciation to Jim Bondi for making this report.

Saturday October 17, Buttons and Bows

Shake, Rattle & Roll Theme Dance

What a fun time we had dancing to Barry Hendricks! He called all our favorite 50's tunes. I have to confess I knew all of them and the words, too. Charles cued a good mix of waltzes, two steps and rumbas. We had 13 Swinging Stars in attendance. I wish we had more, but I was very pleased we had as many as we did. Thank you to P. Amy, Bondis, Bursons, Esteps, Sees, Putnam-Heintzs and Pittses. This being a Double Deal Dance we collected 2 signatures for the club. We are currently working toward our 540 patch.

Banner Report

We have captured 11 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
Trail Blazers	Sept-9-15
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

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, which 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 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 squares, 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 Feature 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 - Hawkins, Gifford, P. Amy, Evanto, Duncan, Rickert
December 11 - McClure, Starrett, Perrott, Kilegian

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



Visit our Website: www.swingingstars.org





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Chili and Dessert

HOT
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HOT

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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Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano

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 8, 2015 – Swinging Stars club meeting at 3:00PM at Spring Creek BBQ

November 13, 2015 Swinging Stars Chili Cook-Off Dance

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

January 8, 2016 – Swinging Stars Intro to Square Dancing Dance 7:00 – 8:00 (Regular Dance begins at 8:00)

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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