



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for October 23, 2016

From Kathy and Bob Estep, Swinging Stars Presidents:

Callers Cavalcade and NORTEX Round-Up (Oktoberfest) – It is time for NORTEX’s big event! Callers Cavalcade will be Friday Night and Oktoberfest will be on Saturday/Saturday Night. There will be workshops, Square Dancing, Round Dancing, vendors, etc., etc. etc.. If you have not been to a Round-Up event it is time you go. Please come join us on both nights.

Help at Round-Up: David Ouzts is looking for individuals to help with the Registration Table on Friday night and Saturday. Various time slots available.

Friday: 5 - 6
6 - 7
7 - 8

Saturday: 9 - 10
10 - 11:30
11:30 - 1
1 - 2:30
2:30 - 4:00
7 - 8

If you are interested please contact David Ouzts at dmouzts@verizon.net

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 24 – Lessons in Allen – Need Angels; please help us.

Friday, October 28 – Callers Cavalcade – Grapevine, TX

Saturday, October 29 – Oktoberfest – Grapevine, TX

Announcements

Swinging Stars Holiday Party -- Holiday Party!! Friday December 2nd, Haggard Party Barn
If you have not registered yet please do so now!

Register Now: 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!!

Holiday Cash Gift for Miguel

Miguel Angel is the Shepard Custodian supporting our club needs for dances. Please be generous and contribute to his Holiday Cash Gift from the Swinging Stars. Last year we were able to give him a \$300 cash gift. We need your support to match that again this year! Linda and Charlie will have a donation box available at our upcoming dances/events so please help as we have a wonderful Custodian that bends over backward to help out Swinging Stars. Thank you!

Proposed Slate of Officers for Term beginning February 1st, 2017

We are happy to announce the following slate of officers to be voted on at the next club meeting on Sunday November 13, 2016, 3pm >>Spring Creek BBQ in Addison.

President – Russ and Anne Nejd
1st VP – Doug and Jan Bergesen
2nd VP – Bob and Terri Pitts
Treasurer – Niven and Sara Mulvin
Secretary – Dan and Kathy Mosher

Thank you for serving our favorite activity. We look forward to another great year of dancing and friendship.

2nd VP Report – 23 October 2016

Jim & Knarik Bondi

RECENT ACTIVITY -- DANCING/TRAINING

“A” Dance followed by Plus Dance

Wednesday 19 October – Plus 4s

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Square + Round Dance

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RECENT ACTIVITY -- OTHER

Miscellaneous Dancing Reports

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Churchill Way Center

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Refreshments Duty and Information

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 Nejd] 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 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 – Spring Creek BBQ located at 14941 Midway Road, Addison, TX. 3:00 PM. 972-385-0970.

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 llhamm45@gmail.com 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



Saluting All Veterans

Showing Our Appreciation
For Your Service



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

Hot Hash after the last tip

Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano

Dancers Under 18 dance free when accompanied by paying adults

Refreshments Banners Honey Pot Fun Dancing



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

Visit our website: www.swingingstars.org