Newsletter for October 25, 2015

From Doug and Jan Bergesen, Swinging Stars President:

Don't forget your gift cards 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 dance.

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.

We are looking forward to seeing y'all at Round-Up. Remember to wear comfortable shoes and your nautical outfits as we "Sail Away" to square dance seas. Seas you there.

Doug and Jan

Happening This Week

Friday, October 30 – Caller's Cavalcade Dance – New Callers Dance: 6:00PM. Early Rounds: 7:00PM. Grand March: 7:45PM at the Grapevine Convention Center

Saturday, October 31 – Round-Up 2015 – Dancing of various levels and types from 8:30AM until 11:30PM (if your feet can hold up ⊕) at the Grapevine Convention Center.

Sunday, November 1 – Round-Up 2015 – Non-Denominational Service: 8:30AM. Trail Out Dance: 9:30 – 11:00AM at the Grapevine Convention Center.

Announcements

Square Dance Lessons

Have you started making your contact list yet? We would like to have them turned in by Dec. 1st so you still have time. Remember, many hands make light work. If we all do a little we can have a GREAT class in January. Please include name, address, phone number, and email address. Thanks for your help and cooperation.

Well Done to y'all

We received the following note from one of our visitors to our Halloween dance we would like to share with you.

Jack and I want to thank you and the Swinging Stars very much for awarding us a prize at your Halloween Dance costume contest. We always have a good time when we visit the Swinging Stars and last night was no exception.

We are continually impressed with how welcoming and gracious your club is to guests. Your members gave up the opportunity to dance in order to assure that your guests had delicious refreshments. These gestures were noted and appreciated.

Thank you again for a fun and festive dance evening.

Jack and Pat Kempf Texas Reelers

Another Thank You

Dear Swinging Stars,

Thank you so much for attending our Active Aging event on Oct.1st. Our members and residents loved watching you dance. Many are talking about all the fun and you helping make a wonderful day.

Thank you again for everything.

Regards,

Alice Carpenter And the Legacy at Willow Bend.

Cash Holiday Gift for Miguel

Miguel Angel is the Shepard Custodian, supporting our needs for the club dance. Please be generous and contribute to his Cash Holiday Gift from the Swinging Stars. Last year we were able to give him a \$300 cash gift. We need your support to match that this year! Thank you! Linda and Charlie

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 commaseparated 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 25, 2015

Saturday, October 24 Tri City Promenaders

Load the Boat and Come Sail Away

Six Swinging Stars attended the Tri-City Promenaders Load the Boat & Come Sail Away with Commodore Kinsey Dance on Saturday evening. This dance started with a workshop devoted mainly to extended definitions, i.e. common calls from uncommon positions. Texas Hall of Fame caller Paul Kinsey called squares (and was joined by Lee Meador near the end of the dance) and Chris Farabaugh cued rounds. Paul, Lee and Chris joined to create an entertaining and fun dance. The Swinging Stars in attendance were the Brewers, Pitts, and the Sees. Thank you to all that attended. And a Special thanks to Ron See for this report.

Banner Report

The Buttons and Bows retrieved their banner this week at our dance, so now we have 10 banners captured 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
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	Sept 23-15
Rebel Rousers	Sept 23-15

NOVEMBER VISITATION SCHEDULE AND COMING EVENTS

LET'S STRIVE TO KEEP SQUARE DANCING ALIVE

Check below for the details

Dance of Interest

Friday, November 6 Texas Reelers Veterans Day Thank You Dance

I realize some of you went to the Texas Reelers last Friday, but this is a scheduled Dance of Interest. It is ok because we all love square dancing to Deborah Carroll and Jon Jones and round dancing to Jack von der Heide. Also they still have one of our banners to retrieve. This will be a time for us all to remember and thank our veterans that served our country so well.

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

Quick Look Callers: Deborah Carroll and Jon Jones

Cuer: Jack von der Heide

Location: Richardson senior Center

820 West Arapaho Road, Richardson

Dance of Interest

Saturday, November 7 Solitaires

Bennett's Back With New Square dance Music

This is just great! Can't wait for this one. Scott is a fine caller from Oklahoma. If you are looking for a fun evening of good dancing you will love the brand of "cool music" and fast calling that Scott will provide for us to dance to. JL Pelton is the cuer and we love him too. They will be dancing at the Garland Senior Center again this month, so don't get lost in Farmers Branch.

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

Quick Look Guest Caller: Scott Bennett

Cuer: JL Pelton

Location: Garland Senior Center 600 West Avenue A Garland

Official Visitation Double Signature

Thursday, November 12, Lone Star Solos 51st Anniversary Dance

The Promenade has the wrong information on the back page and in their ad. I got the correct info from Nora Creed, Co-President of the Lone Star Solos. The correct information is that their Anniversary Dance is on the 12th of November with their Caller Dave Vieira and Guest Cuer Walter Brewer. Rounds are at 6:30 to 7:30 and the Grand March is at 7:30. I hope you all will come out and help celebrate their special day.

Time: Early Rounds: 6:30, Grand March: 7:30

Quick Look Caller: Dave Vieira

Guest Cuer: Walter Brewer Location: Kay Cee Hall

10110 Shoreview Rd. Dallas

Club General Business Meeting

Sunday, November 8 @ 3:00PM

The Swinging Stars General Business meeting will be at the Spring Creek Barbecue in

Richardson. We will be electing our new officers for February 1 to July 31. 2016. We will also be discussing other subjects of interest to the club. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

We meet at 3:00 and have dinner after the meeting. We appreciate the Spring Creek management for allowing us to have our meeting in their back room. To show our appreciation for doing this we encourage everyone to stay for dinner.

Official Visitation Double Signature

Saturday, November 14, Dixie Chainers 57th Anniversary Dance

Imagine 57 years of a club having dances. This is the reason the Dixie Chainers are so successful at having wonderful dances. For their anniversary dance this year they are having, none other than the father of the square dance, Guest Caller Jon Jones. He will be sharing the calling spotlight with his son Vernon. For round dancing pleasure there will be the well-known Jack von der Heide cueing. There are going to be door prizes and food galore. We all know the hall is the best dance hall in NORTEX. Early rounds are at 7:00 and the Grand March is at 7:30. So don't be late! I am requesting that the Swinging Stars wear Royal Blue

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

Quick Look Guest Caller: Jon Jones

Caller: Vernon Jones Cuer: Jack von der Heide

Location: Farmers Branch Senior Center 14055 Dennis Lane Farmers Branch

Ladies Luncheon

Tuesday, November 21 Cheesecake Factory

The Swinging Stars Ladies Luncheon for November will be on Tuesday 17th at 11:30. It will be held at the Cheesecake Factory in Stonebriar Mall in Frisco, 2601 Preston Road. It is located inside the south entrance, which faces Highway 121. (Dillards is to the west and JC Penney to the east so it is centrally located). Please contact Lucy Hamm at 214-872-7219 or email at llhamm45@gmail.com. by November 14th.

You can check the menu and for directions at www.thecheesecakefactory.com. In addition to wide choices of selections on the regular menu, there is also a Skinny Licious menu and gluten free items are marked on both menus. Valet parking is complimentary with your receipt and is available on the level directly below the restaurant. There is ample self-parking area in front of the restaurant.

A personal note from Lucy about the menu: FYI, I treated my college roommate to a birthday lunch yesterday. She chose the Cheesecake Factory (she lives in Plano so we met there). I chose a delicious salad from the Skinny Licious menu and I asked about gluten free selections for Paula. The server pointed out the symbols on both menus. Paula said hers was delicious too. (She was my 1st college roommate and Ralph was my 12th).

Dance of Interest Double Deal Dance

Friday, November 20 T-Square Gadabouts Turkey Shoot Dance

Turkeys will be invading the Swingtime Center. The T-Squares will be hosting their annual Turkey Shoot dance with a turkey shoot contest. No shooting of the callers and cuer allowed. They will not count in the contest. They are too easy of a shot. Calling will be Jon Jones and Rick Smith with Charles Crockett cueing the rounds. You will not want to miss this dance of the turkeys.

Time: Early Rounds: 7:00, Sq. workshop:7:30, Grand March: 8:00

Quick Look Guest Caller: Jon Jones

Caller: Rick Smith Cuer: Jack von der Heide Location: Swingtime Center

5100 S. E Loop 820 Fort Worth

Dance of interest

Saturday, November 21 Rebel Rousers

Follow The Yellow Brick Road Dance/Toy Drive

This is their annual toy drive for the Head Start Program. They are having it in November to allow them to make the toys available to the Head Start Program in sufficient time to plan their other toy drives. The Rebel Rousers have changed their dance format. They will start off with Early Rounds at 7:00, followed by All Plus at 7:30 and the Grand march at 8:00.

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

Quick Look Caller: Mike Bramlett
Cuer: Christine Hixson

Location: Richardson senior Center

820 West Arapaho Road, Richardson

Dance of Interest

Saturday, November 28 Tri City Promenaders

Thanksgiving and All Gospel Singing Dance

After all that cooking and Black Friday shopping you deserve to relax and dance to Rick and Paul singing this wonderful gospel music. Chris will be cueing all you favorite rounds.

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

Quick Look Caller: Paul Kinsey

Guest Caller: Rick Smith Cuer: Chris Farabaugh Location: Brookside center

1244Brookside Dr., Hurst

Refreshments Duty and Information

November 13 - Hawkins, Gifford, P. Amy, Starrett, Duncan, Rickert

December 11 - Perrott, McClure, Evanto, Kilejian

Please do not purchase any staple items (plates, cups, napkins, forks, etc, etc. without first checking with the !st Vice Presidents 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 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

December 6, 2015 – USO Benefit Dance – Swingtime Center

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 <u>www.swingingstars.org</u> and click on Weekends.

Remember our Sunshine person is Debbie Piziali, and you can email her at <u>debbie@piziali.dv.org</u> 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 Swinging Stars President

Email: president@swingingstars.org

Phone: 972-834-3097







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

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

Swinging Stars New Dancer



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TOYS AND BOOKS FOR KIDS DANCE

We will be accepting Cash, Toys and Books to be donated to the Collin County Children's Advocacy Center







Wayne Baldwin

Cuer:

Walter Brewer

Sq. Work Shop: 7:00

Line Dancing 7:50

Grand March: 8:00

Hot Hash after the last tip

Banners Honey Pot Refreshments

Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr., Plano, Tx.

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