



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for February 8, 2015

From Doug and Jan Bergesen, Swinging Stars President:

We've been out for a couple of weeks, due to sickness; but have recovered and are looking forward to dancing with y'all again.

Doug and Jan

Happening This Week

Tuesday, February 10 – Jive Round Dance lesson; 7:15PM, Carpenter Rec Center

Friday, February 13 – Club Dance – Workshop 7:00PM, Grand March 8:00PM, Shepard Elementary

Saturday, February 14 – Of Interest Visit to Cotton Pickin' Squares Valentine Dance. 10001 Jack Finney Blvd., Greenville, TX. Early Rounds 7:30PM, Grand March 8:00PM.

Announcements

First quarter dues are now LATE. If you are not sure if you have paid them you can call Joe at 972-952-5772 or just mail your check payable to Swinging Stars to our new club Treasurer, Joe Whitaker at:

1104 Highedge Dr.
Plano, TX 75075

WE NEED TWO OR THREE MORE COUPLES....Can you help with a square dance exhibition?

Richard Covington will be calling a demonstration for the Heritage Association of Frisco on Sunday, February 15 at 2:00PM (dancers would need to be there at 1:30PM) at the Frisco Heritage Museum train depot, 6455 Page Street, Frisco. Two squares are needed. You may wear square dance or street clothing. So far we have the Hawkins, Rows, Bergesens, Bondis, Evantos, Bursons, and Smith/Hardin signed up to help. If you told me you would help but your name is not listed here please send me an e-mail. **Your attendance will be appreciated and will help spread good will and attract dancers into the activity we love so much. If you can help, email janlaree@sbcglobal.net or call 214-675-6523.** Richard can answer any questions you may have.

*** * * From Your 2nd VP's Dave and Lorraine Burson* * ***

There is not going to be a Plus 4s dance on Ash Wednesday Feb. 18.

Friday, February 6th TEXAS REELERS

Annual "LOVE IS IN THE AIR DOUBLE DEAL VALENTINE'S DANCE.

First, we want to say THANK YOU to all the Swinging Stars that attended the visitation to the Texas Reelers. We all enjoyed dancing to Deborah Carroll-Jones. She had a wide variety of love songs that were not only fun to dance to, but songs that we could also sing along with. Jack von der Heide cued some sweet rounds for the occasion that was in tune with the Valentine theme. With 27 Swinging Stars attending we were able to retrieve our banner and capture their banner. Since it was a Double Deal dance we acquired 2 signatures toward our 440 visitation patch. Again thank you, P. Amy, Bondis, Bursons, Duncans, Esteps, Evantos, Feldmans, Hamms, HARRISES, Lees, Pitts, Sees, Smith/Hardin, and the Stuarts. We greatly appreciate you for your participation and support of the club and square dancing.

Saturday, February 7th BUTTONS AND BOWS

50th ANNIVERSARY VALENTINES DANCE

Red, red everywhere. Red was the color of the night for this very special anniversary dance. What a wonderful time we all had dancing to Caller Barry Hendricks, Guest Caller Jerry Gilbreath and their club cuer Charles Crockett. Their 50th year of dancing proved to be the best as the calling and cueing was superb. A big thank you goes to the 14 Swinging Stars that attended. We enjoyed celebrating with the 142 other dancers that were there to help celebrate their 50th Anniversary. Thank you club members, Hamms, HARRISES Hawkins, Pitts, Sees, Trujillos and the Bursons for supporting the Swinging Stars by visiting the Buttons and Bows and capturing their banner. In addition to the banner we also scored two more visitation signatures for visiting an anniversary dance.

Banners Captured by the Swinging Stars

Club	Date Captured
Buttons and Bows	7-Feb-15
Cotton Pickin' Squares	13-Dec-14
Decatur 8ers	4-Oct-14
Rebel Rousers	20-Dec-14
Texas Reelers	6-Feb-15
Tri-City Promenaders	24-Jan-15
Triangle Squares	30-Jan-15

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Diamond Jubileers	23-Jan-15
Lone Star Solos	23-Jan-15
Roadrunners	23-Jan-15

*** * * COMING EVENTS * * ***

Visitation Schedule For February

. LETS STRIVE TO KEEP SQUARE DANCING ALIVE. Please plan to visit with the club.

Club Dance Friday, February 13th SWINGING STARS.

We want everyone to come to Wayne's Workshop. He always makes it interesting for everyone as we brush up on our square dancing skills. Workshop is at 7:00 and the Grand March starts at 8:00. Walter will be cueing and of course we have the yummy refreshments after the first tip. Don't forget to plan to go to Mama's after the dance for more fun and fellowship with our square dancing friends.

Time: Workshop: 7:00 Grand March: 8:00

Quick Look Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: Walter Brewer

Of Interest Saturday, February 14th. COTTON PICKIN SQ. VALENTINES DANCE

For our dancing pleasure they are having the one and only Charles Quisenberry calling and the talented Christine Hixson cueing the rounds. Dances are always fun at the Cotton Pickin' Squares. Early rounds are at 7:30 and the Grand March at 8:00. It isn't a bad drive, but we do suggest that you form carools. It makes the ride more enjoyable. They dance in the L-3 Rec Hall, 10001 Jack Finney in Greenville.

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

Quick Look Caller: Charles Quisenberry

Cuer: Christine Hixson

Location: L-3 Rec Hall, 10001 Jack Finney Greenville, Texas

Ladies Luncheon February 17th The Egg & I

This is a great opportunity to gather together with the ladies of the Swinging Stars to have some girl time to visit and enjoy lunch. Maryann Starrett is the hostess for February. She has chosen a little different venue, The Egg & I. You are going to love this one. You can order breakfast or lunch. The luncheon is going to be on February 17th at 11:30. 3131 Custer Road (Southwest corner at Parker Road) in Plano .

Please make your reservation with Maryann Starrett by February 14th.

Email fmstar@swbell.net or phone 214-387-4799.

Check their menu at www.theeggandirestaurants.com . Maryann says they have a 10% senior discount.

Date: February 17th

Time: 11:30

Quick Look Address: 3131 Custer Road

Hostess: Maryann Starrett. Email fmstar@swbell.net

Let her know by February 14th.

Of Interest Thursday, February 19th ROAR RUNNERS.

MOVIE STAR MADNESS/OSCAR NIGHT

Ok, this promises to be an exciting evening of dancing. Be sure to plan on dress up date night out when the Roadrunners will host their version of the Oscars. Joey Duhamel will have special red carpet square dance calls and Karen Gloodt promises Oscar winning cues for the rounds. Early rounds 8:45, workshop 7:00 and Grand March at 7:30. They dance at the Swingtime Center. 5100 E Loop 820 Ft Worth.

Time: Early Rounds: 6:45. Workshop: 7:00 Grand March: 7:30

Quick Look Caller: Joey Duhamel

Cuer: Karen Gloodt

Location: Swingtime Center. 5100 E Loop 820 Ft Worth.

Of Interest Friday, February 20th T Square Gadabouts. MISS-MATCHED DANCE

You are invited to their third annual Miss-Matched Dance. They had so much fun last year that they are going to mix it up again this year. So, plan on wearing your most miss-matched square dance outfits. Put your plaids, stripes, pinks, reds, greens and prints or any combination together for the dance. Gee, what fun that will be. Rick Smith will call the squares and Charles Crockett will cue rounds. Early rounds are at 7:00pm, with a square dance workshop at 7:30pm and at 8:00pm the grand march will begin. They dance at the Swingtime Center. 5100 E Loop 820 Ft Worth.

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

Quick Look Caller: Rick Smith

Cuer: Charles Crockett

Location: Swingtime Center. 5100 E Loop 820 Ft Worth.

Official DD Saturday, February 21st Rebel Rousers. **BLACK AND WHITE BALL**

Everyone who is anyone is going to want to be seen at the Rebel Rousers' Black and White Ball. This is their Double Deal Dance and they like to get a little fancy for the evening. Please plan to join them for the evening with their staff of Christine and Theron Hixson and Mike and D' Bramlett. Early Rounds at 7:00, Food Served at 7:30 and the Grand March is at 8:00. Wear Black and White. Richardson Senior Center 820 Arapaho Rd Richardson.

Time: Early Rounds: 7:00. Food Served: 7:30, Grand March: 8:00

Quick Look

Caller: Mike Bramlett

Cuer: Christine Hixson

Location: Richardson Senior Center 820 Arapaho Rd Richardson.

Official Sunday, February 22nd NORTEX - MAD HATTER TEEN SCHOLARSHIP BENEFIT DANCE.

The dance will be held directly after the NORTEX meeting. Bobby Willis and Jack von der Heide will ensure that we will have a full afternoon of squares, rounds and line dancing. The Grand March is at 4:30. So please plan to attend to help grow the Teen Scholar Fund. Start looking for your funny hat to wear at the Mad Hatter Dance. The dance is at the Swingtime Center. 5100 E Loop 820 Ft Worth.

Time: Grand March: 4:30

Quick Look

Caller: Bobby Willis

Cuer: Jack von der Heide

Location: Swingtime Center. 5100 E Loop 820 Ft Worth.

Club Dance Friday, February 27th Swinging Stars. **LOVE IS STILL IN THE AIR**

We hope all the round dancers will take advantage of the one hour of early rounds. Walter will have a fine selection of rhythms for your dancing pleasure. Early rounds at 7:00 and the Grand March is at 8:00. Be there or be square!

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

Quick Look

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: Walter Brewer

Of Interest Saturday, February 28th Dixie Chainers Regular Dance night.

Jack von der Heide will start of with early rounds at 7:00pm. And in addition, their caller, Vernon Jones, will hold a mainstream workshop session for new dancers or anyone wanting to brush up on their square dancing skills, The workshop is in an adjacent room. Don't be late the Grand March is at 7:30, Located 14055 Dennis Lane, Farmers Branch.

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

Quick Look

Caller: Vernon Jones

Cuer: Jack von der Heide

Location: 14055 Dennis Lane, Farmers Branch.

Refreshments Duty and Information

February 27

Harris, Lassiter, Reid, Row

March 13

Loven, Gifford, Jimison, Hardin/Smith

March 27

Trujillo, Lewis, Loxsom, Hamm

Thank you all for serving on our Refreshment Team!

Upcoming Advertised Swinging Stars Theme Dances

LOVE IS STILL IN THE AIR

AT THE

Swinging Stars

February 27TH

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Early Rounds: 7:00

Cuer: Walter Brewer

Grand March: 8:00



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Happy St. Patrick's Day

Celebrating

All Things Irish



March 13, 2015



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

June 4 – 7, 2015 – 53rd Annual Texas State Federation Square and Round Dance Festival, Waco, TX

June 24 – 27, 2015 – 64th National Square Dance Convention, Springfield, MA

September 25, 2015 Swinging Stars Pre-Round-up Double Deal Dance

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

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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