

# Newsletter for February 15, 2015

### From Doug and Jan Bergesen, Swinging Stars President:

As a new board, we have decided to do some new things. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> Fridays, Wayne will be doing a Hot Hash tip at the end of the evening. The first one was this past Friday and it was GREAT! The evening really ended on an uplifting note! The second new thing is that, on the 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays, Walter will teach and call a LINE DANCE just before Grand March! If there's one thing that can unite Round Dancers and Square Dancers, it's Line Dancing! Hope y'all will come and have some fun with us.

Doug and Jan

## **Happening This Week**

Tuesday, February 17 – Jive Round Dance lesson; 7:15PM, Carpenter Rec Center, Plano

Tuesday, February 17 - Ladies Luncheon at The Egg & I located at 3131 Custer Road, Plano

Thursday, February 19 – Of Interest Visit to Roadrunners Movie Star Madness Dance, at the Swingtime Center. 5100 E Loop 820 Ft. Worth

Friday, February 20 – Of Interest Visit to T Square Gadabouts Miss-Matched Dance, Early Rounds: 7:00. Workshop: 7:30. Grand March: 8:00 at the Swingtime Center. 5100 E Loop 820 Ft. Worth

Saturday, February 21 – Official Visit to Rebel Rousers Black & White Ball. Early Rounds: 7:00. Food Served: 7:30, Grand March: 8:00 at Richardson Senior Center 820 Arapaho Rd., Richardson

### Announcements

We still have a few members that have not paid their dues for the first quarter. **First quarter dues are now LATE.** If you are not sure if you have paid them you can call Joe at 972-596-7874 or just mail your check payable to Swinging Stars to our new club Treasurer, Joe Whitaker at:

1104 Highedge Dr. Plano, TX 75075

### An update from our round dance class:

Jive class is going very well. We've completed 4 weeks of class and everyone danced "Boot Scootin' Boogie" to cues and the end of lesson 4 as if they had been dancing Jive for ages. We have 10 enthusiastic couples, 2 of which have never had round dancing of any kind and everyone is doing great. We've completed the majority of the Phase 3 Jive figures. Dances done in class include Night Train, Little Deuce Coupe, Uptown III, and Boot Scootin' Boogie.

Remember that Slow Two Step class starts in mid-March and you do not need previous round dance experience to take the class. It always helps, but it is not required. JL and Linda

#### An update from the square dance exhibition:

Thanks to those that helped with the Square Dance exhibition in Frisco this afternoon. You did a great job representing Swinging Stars. We had special flyers (thanks to Lorraine Burson) to hand out between the tips. Richard called 3 exciting tips.

Thanks to:

Roger and Janelle Row, Mark and Karen Hawkins, Jim and Knarik Bondi, Dave and Lorraine Burson, Doug and Jan Bergesen, Tom Evanto and Peggy Amy, Mary Hardin and John Smith, and Jan's partner, Katie Halverson.

Richard and Jan Covington

# \* \* \* From Your 2<sup>nd</sup> VP's, Dave and Lorraine Burson\* \* \*

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

### **Of Interest**

Saturday, February14th. COTTON PICKIN SQ. VALENTINES DANCE

This is a special thank you for the Swinging Stars that went to the dance in Greenville. **Nineteen** Swinging Stars were in attendance and enjoyed dancing on Valentine's night. Charles Quisenberry and Christine Hixson served up an array of love songs for our dancing pleasure. The attendance was 57, but it felt like there was a full room with the fellowship, fun and the hospitality we felt from the Cotton Picken' Squares. A warm thank you to P. Amy, Bergesens, Bursons, Duncans, Evantos, Harrises, Lassiters, Pitts, Sees, and Trujillos for attending.

#### **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

We have several dances planned for this week. We hope you will plan to visit when your can. LETS STRIVE TO KEEP SQUARE DANCING ALIVE.

### 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 <u>fmstar@swbell.net</u> or phone 214-387-4799. Check their menu at <u>www.theeggandirestaurants.com</u> . Maryann says they have a 10% senior discount. Date: February 17<sup>th</sup> Time: 11:30 Quick Look Address: 3131 Custer Road Hostess: Maryann Starrett. Email <u>fmstar@swbell.net</u> Let her know by February 14<sup>th</sup>.

### **Of Interest** Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup> ROADRUNNERS. 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 6:45, 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.

Quick Look	Time: Early Rounds: 7:00. Workshop: 7:30. Grand March: 8:00 Caller: Rick Smith
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	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. He will teach and call one line dance just before the Grand March. Early rounds at 7:00 and the Grand March is at 8:00. Be there or be square!

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

Caller: Wayne Baldwin Cuer: Walter Brewer

### Of Interest Saturday, February28th 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.

Quick LookTime: Early Rounds: 7:00 Grand March: 7:30Quick LookCaller: Vernon JonesCuer: Jack von der HeideLocation: 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**



**Important dates for the next year (you should have these on your calendar!):** June 4 – 7, 2015 – 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Texas State Federation Square and Round Dance Festival, Waco, TX June 24 – 27, 2015 – 64<sup>th</sup> 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: <u>https://www.facebook.com/pages/Swinging-Stars-Square-Round-Dance-Club/278689705592854</u>

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 <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.

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