Newsletter for March 22, 2015

From Doug and Jan Bergesen, Swinging Stars President:

Finally! It's time for WELD (Walter's Electrifying Line Dancing) at 7:50 this Friday night. Make sure you're there to join in the fun – both round and square dancers!

There's room for YOU at the round dance class. It's not too late! This week they will review what was learned last week about the waltz before teaching more steps. PLEASE consider joining us. After all, the waltz is the most popular dance in rounds so you would have plenty of floor time!

Doug and Jan

Happening This Week

Tuesday, March 24 – Waltz Round Dance; 7:15PM, Carpenter Rec Center, Plano

Friday, March 27 - Club Dance – Early Rounds: 7:00PM. Line Dance: 7:50PM Grand March: 8:00PM at the Shepard Elementary School.

Saturday, March 28 – Of Interest Visit to Dixie Chainers – Workshop & Early Rounds: 7:00PM, Grand March 7:30PM at Farmers Branch Senior Center.

Announcements

An update about our round dance class:

Waltz I Class: Great news! The Waltz I class made, thanks to several members of the Swinging Stars leaping in to help out, and we just made our numbers. We now have 10-1/2 couples signed up, the 1/2 being a member of the Rebel Rousers whom Bill Perrott is graciously helping angel. The 10 couples are all Swinging Stars. With this many students, we are hopeful that we will be able to make the Waltz II class in May.

We had a great class and taught a whole bunch of waltz figures. Those figures will be thoroughly reviewed next week in our usual format. We always spend about a half hour at the beginning of each class reviewing the previous week and to get everyone back up with their dancing minds and feet working again. Linda and JL Pelton.

Mobile Version of Swinging Stars Roster:

Have you ever wanted to take your Club Roster with you wherever you go? Good news....if you have a smartphone or tablet now you can by importing a comma-separated values version. Dave Burson and Andrew Piziali have worked together to create this file. Contact them for the file.

Thank Yous:

Just wanted to send a big shout out to all our Swinging Stars friends to say Thank you. Thanks for all of the prayers, concerns, calls, visits, cards and flowers. It is so wonderful to have such wonderful and caring friends in times like this. Love to you all Peggy

We received a nice thank you call from the Diamond Jubileers thanking us for our attendance at their Mardi Gras dance.

We, also received a thank you call from the Lone Star Solos thanking all the Swinging Stars who attended their St. Patrick's Day dance.

Congratulations to these Visitation dangle recipients:

Bob & Kathy Estep	Gold 125
Jack Duncan	Gold 175
Jim & Knarik Bondi	Gold 300
Bob & Terri Pitts	Gold 325
Swinging Stars	440 Club Patch

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

Visitation Report for week of March 15th

Friday March 20th

Of Interest Texas Reelers MAY THE LUCK OF THE IRISH BE WITH YOU DANCE.

For a rain soaked, cool Friday night we still had 22 at the dance. Caller and Cuer were normal Club staff. Thank you to P. Amy, Bondis, T. Evanto, Esteps, Feldmans, Hamms, Jimisons, Lees, Sees, Schweers/Holley, Smith/Hardin, and Sobotka. I want to thank Bob and Kathy Estep for collecting the names of everyone attending. You are truly appreciated.

I apologize for not attending this weekend. I hurt me back and couldn't dance.

Saturday March 21st

Of Interest Trailblazers JUNGLE DANCE

We had 10 visit Trailblazers. Bobby Willis has been in the hospital but was there for most of the dance. Jim Howard and Jason Mitchell from OK City called the dance. Club Cuer, Jack Kenny did Rounds. We received their Banner. Thank you to all that attended P. Amy, Bondis, Esteps, T. Evanto, Perrotts and the Sees. Thank you to Bob and Kathy Estep for the report. Sorry I could not be there.

Banners Captured by the Swinging Stars

Club	Date Captured
Buttons and Bows	Feb-7-15
Cotton Pickin' Squares	Dec-15-14
Diamond Jubileers	Mar-14-15
Decatur 8ers	Oct-4-14
Kissin Kuzzins	Mar-6-15
Lone Star Solos	Mar-12-15
Rebel Rousers	Dec-20-14
Solitaries	Mar-7-15
T Square Gadabouts	Jan-20-15
Texas Reelers	Feb-6-15
Trailblazers	Mar-21-15
Tri-City Promenaders	Jan-24-15
Triangle Squares	Jan-30-15

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured

* * * COMING EVENTS * * *

MARCH VISITATION SCHEDULE LETS STRIVE TO KEEP SQUARE DANCING ALIVE There are some small changes so please check details below

Friday March 27th

Club Dance Swinging Stars Regular dance night. We hope all the round dancers will take advantage of the Early Rounds. Walter will have a fine selection of rhythms for your dancing pleasure. He will also be doing 10 minutes of Line Dancing after Early Rounds at 7:50, Grand March is at 8:00. Be there or be square!

Notice: We will not be going to Mamas this next week. We will probably be going to Posados on Central Expressway in Plano. Watch for more about this.

Time: Early Rounds 7:00 Line Dance at 7:50 Grand March: 8:00

Quick Look Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: Walter Brewer

Saturday, March 28th

Of Interest Dixie Chainers Regular Dance night.

Due to a last minute request for Vernon Jones' support on Saturday at the Caller Lab Convention, next Saturday (March 28th), Ray Savell will be the Guest Caller for the Dixie Chainers. Ray is also a great Caller so come and enjoy dancing with the Dixie Chainers next Saturday. As usual, (during the Early Rounds) there will be a workshop for Square Dance students and new dancers at 7:00pm in the Dance Practice room across from the main hall. Just tell Ray about any call that you may need help with, and he will walk thru it and give you some practice.

Early Rounds start at 7:00pm with Jack von der Heide and the Grand March will be at 7:30pm. The Dance ends at 9:30pm.

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

Quick Look Caller: Ray Savell

Cuer: Jack von der Heide

Location: Farmers Branch Senior Center 14055 Dennis Lane, Farmers Branch **Note:** We don't have their banner. If enough can go we could capture their banner.

Refreshments Duty and Information

March 27	Trujillo, Morse, Loxsom, Hamm
April 10	Lewis, Rickert, Barber, Bivins
April 24	Bondi, J&MA Duncan, Evanto
May 8:	McClure, Perrott, Peggy Amy, Rose

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!

Upcoming Advertised Swinging Stars Theme Dances



April 24, 2015





Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: Walter Brewer

Square Workshop: 7:00

Grand March: 8:00

Hot hash after the last tip

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

January 30, 2016 – Swinging Stars 43rd Anniversary Dance

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 <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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