Newsletter for March 29, 2015

From Doug and Jan Bergesen, Swinging Stars President:

Well, we only had one mistake in the announcements this last week. We are improving a little each week. I think everyone (who got out on the floor) for the line dance segment was entertaining to the rest of you. We on the dance floor may have also had fun...maybe. Next time let's ALL get out there and shake a leg. It looked like everyone that stayed around for the hot hash had a great time.

Doug and Jan

Happening This Week

Tuesday, March 31 – Waltz Round Dance; 7:15PM, Carpenter Rec Center, Plano

Friday, April 3 – Of Interest Visit to Texas Reelers – 3rd Annual Oreo Cookie Black and White Ball - Early Rounds: 7:03PM. Grand March: 8:00PM at the Richardson Senior Center.

Saturday, April 4 – Of Interest Visit to Solitaires – Formula 51 Dance - Early Rounds: 7:00PM, Grand March 7:45PM at Chapel Hill United Methodist Church.

Announcements

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.

CHANGE OF LOCATION FOR THE SUMMER!

The Shepard Elementary School is getting new flooring this summer; therefore, we will relocate to Wilson Middle School Cafeteria, 1001 Custer Rd, Plano, TX 75075 for the June and July club dances.

If Shepard in not ready for our return in August, we will hold the August 14th dance at Jackson Elementary, 1101 Jackson Drive, Plano, TX 75075.

Thank You:

Martie Miller sent a thank you card to Swinging Stars thanking us for our contribution to MDA in Jay's memory. She hopes one day a cure and prevention will be found for ALS.

Congratulations to these Visitation dangle recipients:

Doug & Jan Bergesen Gold 25 Mary Ann Duncan Gold 25 Harry & Zari Kilejian Gold 50

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

Visitation Report for week of March 22nd

Saturday, March 28th

Of Interest Dixie Chainers Regular Dance night.

This dance turned out to be a lot of fun. It started out with only 4 squares in the grand march and as the evening progressed I think there were around 6 squares. It is hard to tell there were several sitting around not dancing. Ray Savell was guest calling for Vernon Jones. We had 19 Swinging Stars attending, P. Amy, Bondis, Brewers, Bursons, Duncans, Esteps, Hamms, Pitts, Sees, and Smith/Hardin. Thank you all for supporting the club in capturing their banner and getting another visitation signature.

Banners Captured by the Swinging Stars

Danners Captured by the Swinging Stars	
Club	Date Captured
Buttons and Bows	Feb-7-15
Cotton Pickin' Squares	Dec-15-14
Decatur 8ers	Oct-4-14
Diamond Jubileers	Mar-14-15
Dixie Chainers	Mar-28-15
Kissin Kuzzins	Mar-6-15
Lone Star Solos	Mar-12-15
Solitaries	Mar-7-15
T Square Gadabouts	Jan-20-15
Trailblazers	Mar-21-15
Tri-City Promenaders	Jan-24-15
Triangle Squares	Jan-30-15

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Rebel Rousers	Mar-27-15

* * COMING EVENTS * * *

APRIL VISITATION SCHEDULE LETS STRIVE TO KEEP SQUARE DANCING ALIVE

Check below for the details

Notice: We have 2 visitations for this week. If you can make them both, that would be great, but if you can only make one that is fine also. For the plus dancer this is the first Wednesday, Quiz has Plus 4's

Friday April 3rd

Of Interest Texas Reelers Oreo Cookie Black and White Ball

This is their 4th annual Oreo Black and White Ball. You will enjoy dancing under the black light and their Oreo refreshments as Jack and Ann von der Heide provide the cueing and Deborah Carroll Jones calls. As you might have guessed wear black and white square dance attire.

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

Ouick Look Caller: Deborah Carroll Jones

Cuer: Jack and Ann von der Heide

Location: Richardson Sr. Center 820 West Arapaho, Richardson

Wear: Black and White Square dance attire

Saturday, April 4th

Of Interest Solitaires Formula 51 Dance

Just to let you all know the Formula 51 is not just for students. Formula 51 is by the definition in the Word Glossary program developed by the North Texas Callers Association and the GRaM committee. It is designed to influence and encourage caller and dancers of <u>all skill levels</u> by creating a dance atmosphere using only the first 51 calls on the caller lab list. In other words it will be fun for everyone that attends.

Time: Early Rounds 7:00 Grand March 7:45

Quick Look Caller: Bobby Willis

Cuer: JL. and Linda Pelton

Location: United Methodist Church 12411 Templeton Trail, Dallas

Friday April 10th

Club Dance Swinging Stars Regular dance night

There is always a workshop at 7:00 on the 2nd Fridays. JL and Linda Pelton will be Guest Cue. We have been enjoying having a grand march, as it seems to be a better way of getting the dance off to a good start. Please be aware of the visitors and invite them to grand march with you. Wayne will be doing a Hot Hash tip at the end of the evening after the last tip. Plan to stay for the hot hash. If you have not given it a try this would be a good time to try. Remember we will be going to On the Border on 15th and Central in Plano after the dance for more fun and fellowship with your square dancing friends.

Time: Square Work Shop 7:00 Grand March 8:00

Quick Look Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: JL. and Linda Pelton

Location: Shepard Elementary School

Hot Hash after the last tip After Party at On the Boarder

Friday April 17th

Official Anniversary (DD) T Square Gadabouts Mickey Goes To Nashville and 20th Anniversary Dance.

Mickey and his friends will be celebrating the T Square Anniversary. The theme will be Mickey goes to Nashville. What a fun time this will be with two great callers, Jon Jones and Rick Smith, topped off with a super cuer Charles Crockett. Lets all wear **Royal Blue**

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

Quick Look Caller: Rick Smith

Guest caller: Jon Jones Cuer: Charles Crockett

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

Saturday April 18th

Of Interest Rebel Rousers Umbrella Dance

This is their Spring Shower dance. At least they are hoping to be getting showers in April. As always this will be a great time of fun, fellowship and dancing to Mike Bramlett and Jack von der Heide. Two of the NTCA's best. Hope to see you all there.

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

Quick Look Caller: Mike Bramlett
Cuer: Jack von der Heide

Location: Richardson Sr. Center 820 West Arapaho, Richardson

Tuesday April 21st

Ladies Luncheon Marcus Cafe in Richardson



Peggy Amy is our hostess for the April Ladies Luncheon. I am very happy about this because I didn't get to go there the last time. For those of you that were able to be there you know what a great place this is. For those unfortunate souls that couldn't be there before it will surely be a treat. Please make your reservations with Peggy by April 17 to give Peggy ample time to let the Marcus Cafe know how many to expect for lunch. Contact Peggy if you are planning to attend at amybpeggy@verizon.net

The date is April 21st at 11:30. The address is 2701 Custer Parkway, Suit 700, Richardson. Marcus Cafe is a hidden treasure found nestled in II Creeks Shopping Center. It's easy to find; Just ¾ of a mile south of George Bush Freeway on the west side of Custer Road between Renner Road & Lookout Drive.

Marcus Cafe offers a full lunch menu with a wide variety of sandwiches, salads, soups, pizza, pasta, fish and even a little Tex-Mex. Their lunch specials change every month and include 6-8 original recipes. Their entire lunch menu is \$10 or less. You can view their menus by going to www.marcuscafe.com and click on menu

Friday April 24th

Club Dance Swinging Stars Swing in to Spring theme dance

The 4th Friday always has Early Rounds with the last 10 minutes or so we will have Line Dancing. We have been enjoying having the grand march as it seems to be a better way of getting the dance off to a good start. Please be aware of the visitors and invite them to grand march with you. We will be going to **On the Border** in Plano for our after the dance fun and fellowship with our square dancing friends.

Time: Early Rounds 7:00 March 8:00

Quick Look Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: Walter and Eula Brewer

Location: Shepard Elementary School

Hot Hash after the last tip After Party at On the Boarder

Saturday April 25th

Official (DD) Dixie Chainers 54th Hawaiian Luau

Oh, I love this dance. It is like going to the tropics for an evening. The colorful clothes and the sweet sound of Hawaii makes me want to go back to Hawaii. Toby Thomason will be guest calling along with their regular club caller Vernon Jones. Just add Jack von der Heide and you have all the ingredients needed to have a fun and exciting square dance. Dress in your Island attire (grass skirt if you have one) and try to win the costume contest. Come hungry, as they will have a full salad supper. There will also be door prizes, honey pot and it is a Double Deal Dance.

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

Quick Look Caller: Vernon Jones

Guest Caller Toby Thomason Cuer: Jack von der Heide

Location: 14055 Dennis Lane, Farmers Branch.

Sunday April 26th

Quick Look

Of Interest Harvest Holiday Round Dance Mini-Fest

This is for the Round Dancers. This will be for Phase II, III, and IV. The after noon instructors will be Karen and Ed Gloodt and JL and Linda Pelton. The evening program will feature many of your favorite cuers. A dinner break will be scheduled between afternoon and evening classes. All levels of round dancers are encouraged to attend and support this event.

Time: Teaches 2:00 to 5:00 Early Rounds 6:15 to 6:45

Programmed Dance 6:45 to 9:00 Cuer: Afternoon, Gloodt and Pelton

Evening, Area cuers

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

Refreshments Duty and Information

April 10 Covington, Rickert, Barber, Perrott
April 24 Lewis, Bondi, J&MA Duncan, Evanto
May 8: McClure, Bivins, Peggy Amy, Rose
May 22: Burson, Archey, Friesen, Hawkins

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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