



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for April 5, 2015

From Doug and Jan Bergesen, Swinging Stars President:

Hope everyone had a blessed Easter. Two things to remember this week: dues are due and hot hash after the last tip of the dance.

Doug and Jan

Happening This Week

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

Friday, April 10 - Club Dance – Square Workshop: 7:00PM. Grand March: 8:00PM after the last tip is Hot Hash at the Shepard Elementary School.

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

Dues are due!

Yes, it is time for our annual report about our club membership and to **pay dues** to NORTEX. One of the things we report is paid members. If you have not paid your 2nd quarter dues yet, please get them in this month. This will ensure that you will continue to receive the Promenade.

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

Visitation Report for week of March 29th

Friday April 3rd

Of Interest Texas Reelers Oreo Cookie Black and White Ball

Swinging Stars were twinkling very bright at the Texas Reelers for their 3rd Annual Black and White Ball. The evening was full of fast dancing as the Caller Deborah Carroll Jones called a very fast paced dance. We also enjoyed dancing to Richard Covington when he called a tip with Deborah. It really shows that he is working very hard and he is doing very well. Thank you to all who were able to attend on a holiday weekend, Bondis, Bursons, Covingtons, Duncans, Esteps, Halversons, Hamms, Harrises, Kerns, Lees, Pharrs, Sees, and Smith/Hardin. With 26 attending we were able to collect another signature for the 460 visitation patch and capture their banner.

Saturday, April 4th

Of Interest Solitaires Formula 51 Dance

The Solitaires is a fun club with only 9 members. They have a wonderful caller and cuer who draw in a good number of visitors. The Swinging Stars manage to have 9 visitors and we enjoyed the night of dancing to the Formula 51 format. We already had their banner, but we did collect a signature for the 460 visitation patch. Thank you to P. Amy, Bursons, Esteps, Hamms, and the Sees. We also recognize Smith/Hardin for being there all though they were there as Solitaires.

Banners 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
Texas Reelers	April-3-15
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

As you may know Mamas Pizza has lost their license to sell beer, but they have applied for a new one. I talked with Mamas Pizza and she said that they would let me know when they get their license to sell beer. She didn't know when it would come; it depended how busy they are in Austin. When she lets me

know I will let you know. Then we will need to decide if we want to go back or continue with On the Border. Some wondered if they were trying to get rid of us at Mamas, so I ask them and NO they are not trying to get rid of us. I have made a standing reservation at On the Border for April 19, April 24, May 6, and May 22. We will see how that goes. Dave and I will not be at the April 10 dance, but I will call there on Thursday to make sure they remember.

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 our Guest Cuer. 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 never participated in this activity, 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.

Quick Look	Time: Square Work Shop 7:00 Grand March 8:00 Caller: Wayne Baldwin Cuer: JL. and Linda Pelton Location: Shepard Elementary School Hot Hash after the last tip After Party at On the Border
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Friday April 17th

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

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. Let's all wear **Royal Blue**

Quick Look	Time: Early Rounds 7:00. Grand March 8:00 Caller: Rick Smith Guest caller: Jon Jones Cuer: Charles Crockett Location: Swingtime Center. 5100 E Loop 820, Ft. Worth
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Saturday April 18th

Of Interest Rebel Rousers Umbrella Dance

This is their Spring Shower dance. At least they are hopping 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.

Quick Look	Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Food Served 7:30, Grand March 8:00. Caller: Mike Bramlett Cuer: Jack von der Heide Location: Richardson Sr. Center 820 West Arapaho, Richardson
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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 of 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 amypeggy@verizon.net

The date is April 21st at 11:30. The address is 2701 Custer Parkway, Suite 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.

Quick Look	Time: Early Rounds 7:00 March 8:00 Caller: Wayne Baldwin Cuer: Walter and Eula Brewer Location: Shepard Elementary School Hot Hash after the last tip After Party at On the Border
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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.

Quick Look	Time: Early Rounds: 7:00 Grand March: 7:30 Caller: Vernon Jones Guest Caller Toby Thomason Cuer: Jack von der Heide Location: 14055 Dennis Lane, Farmers Branch.
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Sunday April 26th

Harvest Holiday Round Dance Mini-Fest

This is for the Round Dancers. This will be for Phase II, III, and IV. The afternoon 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.

Quick Look

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

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 1st Vice Presidents to see if they are already in inventory.

Swinging Stars Refreshment Duty Reminders

New Club Members will be assigned refreshment duty after six months and as a Lead Couple after one year. The Lead Couple should contact all members on the team to be sure they know the following:

- What they are going to bring for refreshments
- Arrive at dance by 6:45 pm thru the gym door
- Refreshments shut down at 9:30 pm
- When you take home a refreshment bag, check that it has all the items listed on Fluorescent Hang Tag on the bag
- Be sure all items are clean and repack the bags in a Tidy Manner

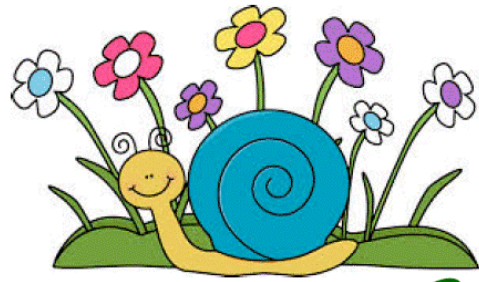
Refreshment Duty Reminders

- If you have a conflict with the Refreshment Schedule:
 - Please contact someone to try to switch with you.
 - Notify the refreshment schedulers: Jeff & Anne Stuart at 972-699-1317 or jwstuart@flash.net with the name of couple taking your place.
- Attend the dance prior to your turn for refreshments, Pick up one of the **four** Refreshment Bags. If unable to do so, be sure that someone else picks up the bag for you.
- Check your Refreshment Bag for the info regarding “Refreshment Duty Tips” and the “List of Items Supplied by the Club”.
- Contact our First VP’s Bob & Kathy Estep at bob.estep@hp.com or at 972-679-8572 for needed supplies prior to purchasing by the Monday prior to the club dance. They may have what you need.

Thank you all for serving on our Refreshment Team!

Upcoming Advertised Swinging Stars Theme Dances

Swing into



Spring

With the

SWINGING STARS

April 24, 2015

Swinging Stars

Flowers For Mom

Honoring Our Mothers



May 8, 2015

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: Walter Brewer



Square Workshop: 7:00

Grand March: 8:00

Hot hash after the last tip

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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 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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