Newsletter for April 12, 2015

From Doug and Jan Bergesen, Swinging Stars President:

Every dance ends on a high note as Wayne challenges us with Hot Hash. Last Friday night he worked all the brave souls who were on the floor into a lather and then graciously cooled us down with some S L O W calls at the very end. Join the fun! I predict we will become known as the Hash slingin' club of the metroplex.

Doug and Jan

Happening This Week

Tuesday, April 14 – Waltz Round Dance Lessons; 7:15PM, Carpenter Rec Center, Plano

Friday, April 17 - Official Visit to T Square Gadabouts – 20th Anniversary Dance – Mickey goes to Nashville Early Rounds: 7:00PM. Grand March: 8:00PM at the Swingtime Center.

Saturday, April 18 - Of Interest Visit to Rebel Rousers – Unbrella Dance - Early Rounds: 7:00PM. Food served at 7:30, Grand March: 8:00PM at the Richardson Senior Center.

Announcements

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.

Dues are due!

Yes, it is time for our annual report to NORTEX about our club membership. 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. Associate members, if you want to receive the Promenade this year we need your payment of \$10 this month too.

Visitation Dangle Awards

Gold 225 – Ron and Donita See

Road Trip

Swinging Stars -- Please join us for a bus trip to Log Cabin Swingers 40th Anniversary Dance!

Tool, TX -- Saturday, May 2, 2015

Depart Richardson Senior Center at 4:45 PM

Arrive back around midnight

Tex-Mex dinner included

Wayne Baldwin is calling

Walter Brewer will be cueing

Cost per person: \$25.00.

Price includes bus, driver gratuity, dinner, and admission into the dance.

Please complete the online form using the link in the email everyone should have received.

Thank you,

Bill and Brenda McGurgan (bmcgurgan@gmail.com)

Texas Reelers

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

Banners Captured by the Swinging Stars

Club **Date Captured Buttons and Bows** Feb-7-15 Cotton Pickin' Squares Dec-15-14 Oct-4-14 Decatur 8ers **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 Jan-20-15 T Square Gadabouts **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

We hope you will be able to attend one or both of the visitations for this week. They both promise to be fun dances. The T Squares dance is an anniversary and that makes it really special. Many of you may not know that every year for their anniversary, the T Squares Anniversary dance is something that Mickey goes to or does. It is always fun. Because it is an anniversary those of us that collect signature will get two for attending. The club will also get two signatures if we have 8 members attending.

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. 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. 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 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 ³/₄ 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 Line Dancing for the last 10 minutes. 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 Border

Saturday April 25th

Quick Look

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 Harvest Holiday Round Dance Mini-Fest

This is for the Round Dancers. This will 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.

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 24 Lewis, Peggy Amy, J&MA Duncan, Evanto

May 8 McClure, Bivins, Bondi, 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:
 - o Please contact someone to try to switch with you.
 - o 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



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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