



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for April 19, 2015

From Doug and Jan Bergesen, Swinging Stars President:

As a club, we like to travel and visit other clubs as often as we can. Jan and I like to hit the road every chance we get and it is always great to be welcomed by the host club and invited to join them in one of their squares to dance (and it's not just because we are club presidents). I would like to challenge y'all to use our Grand March to invite some visitors to march with you and share the first tip with them. One of the best things about square dancing is the friendships we make. And the more people we meet and dance with the more friendships we can develop.

Doug and Jan

Happening This Week

Tuesday, April 21 – Waltz Round Dance Lessons; 7:15PM, Carpenter Rec Center, Plano

Friday, April 24 - Club Dance – Early Rounds: 7:00PM. Line Dance: 7:50PM. Grand March: 8:00PM after the last tip is Hot Hash at the Shepard Elementary School.

Saturday, April 25 - Official Visit to Dixie Chainers – 54th Annual Luau. Early Rounds: 7:00PM. Grand March: 7:30PM at the Farmers Branch 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 is not ready for our return in August, we will hold the August 14th dance at Jackson Elementary, 1101 Jackson Drive, Plano, TX 75075.

URGENT!! 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. No dues No Promenade. Associate members, if you want to receive the Promenade this year we need your payment of \$10 this month too.

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* * ***

2nd VP Report for April 19

Friday April 17th

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

The theme was Mickey goes to Nashville. Although it was not a very nice night to be driving out in the rain, the T-Squares had a very nice turn out of visitors. There were 101 visitors and only 12 of their members. These small clubs do a wonderful job of putting on an anniversary dance. The Swinging Stars had 18 members braving the bad weather to support the club and enjoy dancing to two great callers, Jon Jones and Rick Smith. Charles Crockett had an interesting mix of dance rhythms for the round dancers to enjoy. We captured their banner and also 2 more signatures toward the club visitation 460 award. Thank you to everyone that attended; the Bondis, Bergesens, Bursons, Esteps, Hamms, HARRISES, Pitts, Sees, and Smith/Hardin. You are greatly appreciated for your support of the club.

Saturday April 18th

Of Interest Rebel Rousers Umbrella Dance

This was their Spring Shower dance and boy did they ever get a good shower. Despite the rain the dance was a successful evening of dancing. Mike always makes the dance fun. The round dancers enjoy dancing to Christine as she cued some fun and some difficult rhythms. We thank the brave members that came out on a rainy night to enjoy dancing and to help retrieve our banner. We managed to not only retrieve our banner, but they gave us theirs. We had only 14 so I am not sure why they gave us their banner, but here it is anyway. Those attending were Bursons, Esteps, Halversons, Hamms, Sees, Smith/Hardin, and the Sherrells. Thank you for supporting the Swinging Stars visitations.

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
Rebel Rousers	April-18-15
Solitaries	Mar-7-15
T Square Gadabouts	Jan-20-15
Tri-City Promenaders	Jan-24-15
Triangle Squares	Jan-30-15

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured

* * * COMING EVENTS * * *

APRIL VISITATION SCHEDULE LETS STRIVE TO KEEP SQUARE DANCING ALIVE

We have two visitations scheduled for this week.
Official DD Dixie Chainers 54th Hawaiian Luau
Dance of Interest Sunday April 26th for the Round dancers.
Check below for the details

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 you 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 Café 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

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.

Sunday April 26th Harvest Holiday Round Dance Mini-Fest

This is for the Round Dancers. This will 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.

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 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.

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

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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

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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