

Newsletter for May 10, 2015

From Doug and Jan Bergesen, Swinging Stars President:

Sorry we missed y'all at the last dance. We hope to make it to the rest of them, even if Doug can't dance. We thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers. It's only by God's grace we got out of that car with only one broken bone!

Doug and Jan

Happening This Week

Tuesday, May 12 - Waltz Round Dance Lessons; 7:15PM, Carpenter Rec Center, Plano

Wednesday, May 13 – Ladies Luncheon at Chuy's at 11:30AM.

Friday, May 15 – Of Interest Visit to Kissin' Kuzzins – Crazy Hat Dance – Early Rounds: 7:00PM, Early Workshop 7:30PM, Grand March 8:00PM at Senior Center in Garland.

Saturday, May 16 - Official Visit to Trail Blazers – 45th Anniversary Dance – DD - Plus Rounds: 6:30PM. S/D Rounds: 7:00PM, S/D Workshop: 7:30PM, Grand March: 8:00PM at the Swingtime 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.

Visitation Dangle Awards

Club Patch 460 Gold 525 – Dave and Lorraine Burson Gold 350 – Tom and Vicki Evanto

Exhibition Opportunity

Richard Covington has put together a multi-club Exhibition for May 17th in Frisco, TX with Texas Reelers and Rebel Rousers and square dancers are needed for the exhibition. It will be at the Frisco Heritage Museum - the replica Depot – note the address below. Bring more that a square so that you have members visiting with on-lookers and handing out square dance material. We have found that when we take a break, the spectators move on. Thus we need dancers to visit with the spectators while others are dancing. Date: May 17th

Address: 6455 Page Street, Frisco, TX 75034 (at the replica Depot) Gather @ 1:00PM Dance @ 1:30 – 3:30 PM Caller: Richard Covington Attire: Please come casual – jeans, shorts, capris, etc. New Student Opportunities: Bring Your Club's Lesson Flyers Additional: Your attendance will be appreciated and will help spread good will and attract dancers into the activity we love so much. PLEASE CONFIRM THAT YOU WILL ATTEND – janlaree@sbcglobal.net OR CALL AT 214-738-8322

Beginning Waltz Report

The Beginning Waltz class is doing great. Everyone has learned a lot of new figures and now can dance several dances. We are at the point now where there are will be quite a few waltzes that everyone can do to cues because they will have learned the figures in those dances. In class the following dances have been worked: Mission Bell Waltz, Tips of My Fingers, Sandy's Waltz, Amanda, A Million Tomorrows and Cruisin' Down the River.

Sign-up Now For The Next Waltz Class

For anyone who already has some waltz experience, but would like to refresh that learning and learn a little more, you can sign up for the next waltz class which starts June 9. Signup is **now open** through Plano Parks and Rec. The class is listed on the website and in the catalog as Beginning Two Step -- Class # **169045.** Online it does say JL Pelton as instructor. As you know we were too late to get the class name corrected in the catalog once we knew that we would have two sessions and could offer Waltz. You are, however, signing up for the correct class.

JL and Linda also got permission to add two classes to the current Beginning Waltz at no cost to the dancers. Those dates are May 26 and June 2. If you have had some waltz experience and want to come out one or both of those two weeks to see what we are doing, come on out and join us.

Swinging Stars Semi-Annual Meeting

Save May 31st for our semi-annual meeting at Spring Creek BBQ in Plano. We will have some interesting things to discuss. If you have something you want to add to the agenda, let Jan Bergesen know.

* * * From Your 2nd VP's, Dave and Lorraine Burson* * * 2nd VP Report for May 10th

Congratulations to the Swinging Stars for earning their 460 Visitation Award Patch. Peggy Amy presented it to the club at our dance on Friday. Thank you to all that helped to achieve this level.

Official (Double Signature)

Saturday, May 9th Cotton Pickin Squares 21st Anniversary

Eight (8) Swinging Stars attended the Cotton Pickin' Squares Anniversary Dance Saturday night. Rick Smith called squares and Christine Hixson cued rounds. There were several new dancers in attendence so Rick kept it basic, but interesting. After the dance he called a plus tip for those who stayed late. Swinging Stars in attendence were P. Amy, Bondis, Covingtons, Sees, and C. Wolfe. Thank you to Ron and Donita See for the report.

Banners Captured by the Swinging Stars

| Club | Date Captured |
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| 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 |
| Log Cabin Swingers | May-2-15 |
| Lone Star Solos | Mar-12-15 |
| Rebel Rousers | April-18-15 |
| Solitaries | Mar-7-15 |
| T Square Gadabouts | Feb-20-15 |
| Texas Reelers | May-1-15 |
| Tri-City Promenaders | Jan-24-15 |
| Triangle Squares | Jan-30-15 |

Swinging Stars Banners Out

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MAY VISITATION SCHEDULE AND COMING EVENTS LETS STRIVE TO KEEP SQUARE DANCING ALIVE

We have only TWO visitation scheduled for this week please plan to attend if you can.

- Of Interest Friday, May 15th Kissin' Kuzzins Crazy Hat Dance
- Official (Double Signature) Saturday, May 16th Trail Blazers 45th Anniversary Dance

The Ladies Luncheon is this week. Please RSVP to if you are planning to go to Nina Lassiter: <u>ninalassiter@gmail.com</u>, **text or phone call to Nina's cell at** 214-769-6032

Check below for the details

Ladies Luncheon Wednesday, May 13th

Churges MEXICAN RESTAURANT

We invite all Swinging Star Ladies to attend our May luncheon. Nina Lassiter has graciously volunteered to serve as hostess for the luncheon. She has selected Chuy's Mexican Restaurant located 3408 N Central, Plano This is between Parker and Spring Creek Pkwy on the Northbound (East) side in the same parking lot with and just before Abuelos and Costco.

The date is **Wednesday May 13 at 11:00**. We know this a little earlier than we usually having our luncheons, but the restaurant said this was the best time for us to arrive to be seated together. We are asking that you make a reservation with Nina so she can tell the manger how many to expect. **RSVP** in the form of email to

ninalassiter@gmail.com, text or phone call to Nina's cell at **214-769-6032**. Please have RSVPs to Nina by noon Tuesday, May 12th NOTE: They do not take reservations as such. At least half of our party must be present to be seated. Doors open at 11:00. The manager has listed us as a Square Dance Group, in the Manager's Log. Nonetheless, she promises to try to go ahead and set something up if time allows when she calls her the morning of the 13th. Nina looks forward to hosting a BIG crowd for Chuy's famous Wednesday Special - Fried, Stuffed Avocados and other Mexican Specialties. www.chuys.com has the basic menu without the daily specials.

Of Interest

Friday, May 15th Kissin Kuzzins Crazy Hat Dance

Let's see how creative you can be with creating your "Crazy Hat". They would like to fill the hall with crazy hats. If you don't feel creative or don't like to wear a hat, just come and have fun enjoying seeing the hats and having a good laugh. You know you will like the caller and the cuer, since they are Wayne and JL.

| Quick Look | Time: Early Rounds:7:00 SD workshop 7:30 Grand March: 8:00 Guest Caller: Wayne Baldwin |
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| | Cuer: JL Pelton Location: Garland Senior Center, 600 Ave. A, Garland |

Official (Double Signature) Saturday, May 16th Trail Blazers

Trail Blazers 45th Anniversary Dance

We are all invited to celebrate the Trail Blazer's 45th Sapphire Anniversary Dance. We always enjoy dancing to Caller Bobby Willis and Cuer Jack Kenny, both are some of NORTEX's finest. A light supper will be served. So come and enjoy dancing, dinning and celebrating with this active club. Wear Royal Blue

| | Time: Plus Rounds: 6:30 S/D. Rounds 7:00 |
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| | S/D Workshop: 7:30 Grand March 8:00 |
| Quick Look | Caller Bobby Willis |
| | Cuer: Jack Kenny |
| | Location: Swingtime Center 5100 E Loop 820, Ft. Worth |

Club Dance

Friday, May 22nd Swinging Stars Regular dance night

The 4th Friday always has Early Rounds and 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 Mama's Pizza for our after the dance fun and fellowship with our square dancing friends.

| | Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Line Dancing 7:50, Grand March 8:00 |
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| Quick Look | Caller: Wayne Baldwin |
| | Cuer: Walter Brewer |
| | Location: Shepard Elementary School |
| | Hot Hash after the last tip |
| | After Party at Mama's Pizza |

Of Interest

Saturday, May 23rd Dixie Chainers Olde Tyme Square Dance

If you have ever dance to the Olde Tyme Squares you know how much fun this can be. If not you will enjoy the throw back to the time before the modern square dancing came about. Vernon will take you thru the dances as they were called back then. Each call is taught so there is no need to fear you won't know how to do them. Remember the Grand March is at **7:30**. If you come at 8:00 you are late!

| | Time: Early Rounds: 7:00 Grand March: 7:30 |
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| Quick Look | Caller: Vernon Jones |
| | Cuer: Jack von der Heide |
| | Location: Farmer Branch Sr. Center, 14055 Dennis Lane, Farmers Branch |
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Of Interest

Monday, May 25th Swingtime Annual Memorial Day Dance.

If you are not doing anything special on this date consider going the CASUL'S (Swingtime Center) Memorial Day Dance. They will be honoring all Veterans. There will be a short program and lots of great dancing. They have asked us to let Veterans in our club know they will be CASUL'S guest for the evening. They are going to set up a table for our heros. They are asking for pictures of them in or out of uniform. Be sure to put their name on them. Dave and I go every year and this dance is a lot of fun. They serve their "All Beef Hot Dogs" with all the trimmings for you to enjoy. You will also enjoy the calling of Rick Smith and Charles Crockett along with Jack von der Heide cueing. Dress is casual. Hope to see you there.

| Quick Look | Time: Early Rounds: 6:30, Dance: 7:30 Callers: Rick smith and Charles Crockett |
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| | Cuer: Jack von der Heide |
| | Location: Swingtime Center 5100 E Loop 820, Ft. Worth |

Of Interest (Double Signature)

Friday, May 29th Circle I

Circle I 63rd Anniversary, Starry Starry Night Dance

This is an opportunity to visit the Circle I. Normally we do not get to dance at their club dances because they normally dance the same night that we dance. This is a big evening for them celebrating 63 years. I am sure this will be a dance you will not want to miss. They have guest caller Dave Vieira and their regular caller Ray Savell. Chris Farabaugh, one of our favorite cuers is cueing the rounds. They always put out a huge spread so come hungry. Bring some extra money as they are having a \$100 Raffle and Honey Pot.

| | Time: Early Rounds: 7:00 Grand March: 8:00 |
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| Quick Look | Caller: Ray Savell |
| | Guest Caller: Dave Vieira |
| | Cuer: Chris Farabaugh |
| | New Location: Senter Park Recreation Center |
| | 901 Senter Rd. Irving, Tx. |

Official (Double Signature)

Saturday, May 30, Roadrunners

44th Anniversary Dance. Barn Dance and Quilt Show.

The dancing will be the best with Mike Bramlett calling and Karen Gloodt cueing. A nice added attraction will be the quilt show. There will be door prizes, a raffle for a \$100 bill and the honey pot. Don't eat before you come as they will be having a chicken fried dinner with all the trimmings and of course dessert. **Wear Purple**

| | Time: Early Rounds: 7:00 Grand March: 8:00 |
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| Quick Look | Caller: Mike Bramlett |
| - | Cuer: Karen Gloodt |
| | Location: Swingtime Center 5100 E Loop 820, Ft. Worth |

Refreshments Duty and Information

June 12 Meyer, Mosher, Rose, Jung

June 26 Kilegian, McGuire, Colter, Halvorson

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.

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 <u>bob.estep@hp.com</u> 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

Honoring Our Fathers



NOTICE: OUR DANCES ARE AT A DIFFERENT LOCATION FOR ALL OF JUNE AND JULY Wilson Middle School 1001 Custer Road, Plano

Friday June 26, 2015



NOTICE: OUR DANCES IN JULY WILL BE AT Wilson Middle School. Corner of Grandview and 1001 Custer Road, Plano. This location is on the same block as Shepard Elementary School (our regular dance place) Friday July 24, 2015 Early Rounds: 7:00

Caller: Wayne Baldwin Cuer: Walter Brewer Early Rounds: 7:00 Line Dancing: 7:50 Grand March: 8:00 Hot Hash after the last tip **Important dates for the next year (you should have these on your calendar!):** May 31, 2015 – Semi-Annual Swinging Stars Club meeting – Spring Creek BBQ, Plano, TX June 4 – 7, 2015 – 53rd Annual Texas State Federation Square and Round Dance Festival, Waco, TX June 14, 2015 – Annual Fish Fry at the Baldwin's 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: <u>https://www.facebook.com/pages/Swinging-Stars-Square-Round-Dance-Club/278689705592854</u>

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.

Doug & Jan Bergesen Swinging Stars President Email: <u>president@swingingstars.org</u> Phone: 972-834-3097

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