



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for May 17, 2015

From Doug and Jan Bergesen, Swinging Stars President:

We have missed y'all! Not only did we miss our last dance, but we haven't been able to go on any visitations! You don't know what you've got until it's gone. For those of you who don't often go on visitations, you might want to give it a try – it's lots of fun!

Doug and Jan

Happening This Week

Tuesday, May 19 – Waltz Round Dance Lessons; 7:15PM, Carpenter Rec Center, Plano

Friday, May 22 – 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, May 23 – Of Interest Visit to Dixie Chainers – Olde Tyme Dance – Early Plus 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.

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 Richardson. 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 17th

Plus Dancers don't forget that Plus 4's is the week. Wednesday 20th

Of Interest

Friday, May 15th Kissin Kuzzins Crazy Hat Dance

We had 28 members dancing and if you count the caller and the cuer we had 32 Swinging Stars at the dance. Of course we share our caller with the Kissin Kuzzins, and their cuers are members of our club also. There were several, might I say unusual hats. Wayne sported his new hat and new look with an English Flat Hat. Jodie had on her stylish Straw Hat for only a short time. It seems that it got lost after the first tip. There were about six squares dancing most of the evening with several sitting along the sides. My guess is that the Swinging Stars were about half the dancers attending. Congratulations to Rita Putnam for getting out and dancing a tip. She had not danced but one tip in the last four years. She did great! Thank you to P. Amy, Bondis, Bursons, T. Evanto, Feldmans, Giffords, Halversons, Hamms, Harrises, Heintz/Putnam, Lees, Loxsoms, Pharrs, Sees, Smith/Hardin for attending and enjoying the fun and fellowship dancing together. We didn't get a banner as we already have theirs. The Kissin Kuzzins said that they would be at our dance this coming Friday.

Official (Double Signature)

Saturday, May 16th Trail Blazers 45th Anniversary Dance

I think it is safe to say they had a good turnout and everyone had a wonderful time dancing to Bobby Willis and Jack Kenny. Not only did we dance to Bobby we had the pleasure of dancing to a few other area callers that happened to come to the dance. A fun bunch of square dancers (one square) came from Oklahoma to help the Trail Blazers celebrate their Sapphire Anniversary. The Swing Stars had 17 attending. Thank you to P. Amy, Bondis, Bursons, Evantos, Hamms, Lassiters, Perrotts, Sees, and Smith/Hardin for supporting the Swinging Stars. We collected 2 signatures toward our 480 Visitation Patch. We did not capture their banner because when they did the banner draw to determine who would get their banner, our club was not drawn.

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
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

Club	Date Captured

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

This week we have our Club Dance and ONE visitation scheduled for this week. Please plan to attend.

Of Interest Saturday, May 23rd Dixie Chainers Olde Tyme Square Dance

Check below for the details

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.

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

Quick Look	Time: Early Rounds: 7:00 Grand March: 7:30 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 us ask 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 hero's. 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
 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.

Quick Look Time: Early Rounds: 7:00 Grand March: 8:00
 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**

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

Refreshments Duty and Information

June 12 Meyer, Starrett, 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 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

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

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: <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.

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