

Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for May 27, 2012

JUNE IS HERE

The Swinging Stars have for a number of years had Casual Attire for the months of June, July and August. This is for our dances only. Other clubs in the area may or may not have the Casual Attire as a custom for the summer months. I suggest checking on the attire for a particular club before assuming that they have gone casual for the summer.

What is meant by casual? Not wearing all the fluff of the petticoat. Some ladies like to stay with the petticoats etc, some like to wear a long skirt. Ladies can wear slacks or capris. Men can wear Bermuda shorts. No short shorts. Men can wear short sleeves. I hope this helps.



Hmmm, can't you just smell that fish frying.

Click on the [Fish Fry Details](#) link below this newsletter link for details from Jodie.

Sunday, June 24th 5:30. Baldwin's Annual Fish Fry. At Jodie and Wayne Baldwins, 981 Timber Lane, Fairview. This is one of the highlights of the year for the Swinging Stars. Wayne and Jodie invite the whole club to come to their home to eat all the fish you can. Wayne, Charlie Harris, Chuck Morse and sometimes Joe Lewis, spend Wednesdays fishing, so that we can have this great party. So please plan to attend.

We are so pleased that our new members are planning to join us at the fish fry. These details are to help everyone who has signed up remember what they decided to bring. Also we are looking forward to more of our Stars signing up. Don't think that the number of blanks left indicates all we can handle because there is room for everyone.

For Questions call Jodie - 972-562-2174

Jodie will have a sign up sheet at our dances. Be sure to sign up to bring one of the suggested dishes

PLUS LESSONS

The Plus lessons are over for this set. We have a new group of Plus dances and they are dancing like pros. Wayne did a fabulous job of teaching all the plus calls and everyone had fun learning.

We encourage new plus dancers to attend as many plus dances as possible to reinforce their new dancing skills. If you just dance at a club dance occasionally you will lose your new plus skills. You need as much floor time as possible, to practice, and practice so that plus dancing is as easy as walking. This is why we are recommending the two places that you can attend plus dances. Plus 4's on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of every month. Several of our Swinging

Stars attend the Plus 4's and have a ball. Plus '4 is a member of NORTEX. Plus 4's meet at the Chapel Hill Methodist Church. 12411 Templeton Tr. Farmers Branch 7:30 to 9:30.

Friendship Plus meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays at the Richardson Senior Center 7:00 to 9:00. The Friendship Plus is not a member of the NORTEX.

We are grateful to the angels that attended one or more times during the lessons. P. Amy, Bursons, Covingtons, Delukes, Feldmans, Giffords Lewis, Starretts, and the Rosses. If I missed anyone I am truly sorry.

Wednesday, June 6th. Plus 4's will have Wayne Baldwin as a Guest Caller for this dance. This is a great opportunity for the new plus dancers to attend a plus dance to get more floor time to practice their new skills of plus dancing. We hope that all of the Swinging Stars plus dancers will come to this dance and support Wayne and the new plus dancers. The format is all plus, no rounds. They dance at the Chapel Hill United Methodist Church. 12411 Templeton Tr. Farmers Branch. Dance starts at 7:30 till 9:30. See you there!

MINUTES FROM THE GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

For all of you that were not at the Business Meeting on May 6th we have attached the Minutes so you can review them and know what all was discussed. Thank Judy Ross for a timely and accurate writing of the Minutes. **Note:** Minutes are only with the email version of the newsletter NOT the web version.



EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK

Swinging Stars Club Dance: Friday, May 25th. Proud To Be An American!

Caller Wayne Baldwin and Cuer John Brewer. Oh, what fun! It was exciting to dance in the Wilson Middle School. It was nice and cool. It was nice to have Wayne and John up on the stage where they could see everyone. After I came home and checked over attendance we actually had had 96 Swinging Stars. A few were late, but some of you didn't sign in. With the 25 visitors that makes a total of 121 attending the dance. We gave the Reeler's our banner and gave the Rebel Rouser's their 2 banners back. Thank you to the refreshments committee for doing a fine job with the food and all the preparations: McGuire's Covingtons, Humphries, and Morses. I also want to thank all of the helpers that were there to set up the cafeteria. Being in a different location was difficult enough, and the attendants at the school were not familiar with what we wanted. It all worked well and everyone had a great time. We had about 50 people that went to Mama's Pizza for (as Wayne says) some yellow soda water and boloney.

Suggested dance: Dixie Chainers: Saturday, May 26th. We had 20 Swinging Stars show up and had a great time dancing to Vernon. Having a blast were the P. Amy, Bursons, Covingtons, Hawkins, Fousts (brand new members) R. Maier, Meyers, Pitts, Rows, Smith/Harden and Trujillos.

COMING EVENTS

Monday, May 28 Dance of Interest:



CASUL Parking Lot Update Benefit Dance and Annual Memorial Day Dance.

Caller Rick Smith and Cuer Jack Kenny

Early Rounds at 7:00. Dance 7:30 to 9:30.

Dave has put the flyer on our Web site www.swingingstars.org and click on fliers. The ad is not in the Promenade. You can dress casual if you wish. This dance is for everyone that enjoys dancing at the

Swingtime Center and would like to contribute to the up keep of the facility. The address is Loop 820 at Anglin, Fort Worth.

Friday, June 1 Dance of Interest: This dance is not in the Promenade or on the calendar. The Texas Reelers dance was canceled for June 1st and now they are having a Friendship Dance with the Kissin Kuzzins The Kissin' Kuzzins and the Texas Reelers will co-host a Friendship Dance. Come and join them for a night of dancing at its best. Callers Wayne Baldwin and Mike Bramlett. Cuer J L Pelton and Jack van der Heide. Early rounds at 7:00. Grand March 8:00. Garland Senior Center. 600 Ave. A Garland.

Saturday, June 2 Official Visitation: Texoma Squares 60th Anniversary Dance. Caller Wayne Baldwin. Cuer Patti Wheelington. Early Rounds at 7:30 and Grand March at 8:00. The address is 929 Desvoignes Denison, Tex. Come on and go it isn't to far! We carpool and it is fun. Please let me know if you are planning to attend. Please wear **Purple** if you have it. If you don't have anything this color, don't let that make you stay home. Go anyway. We really want you to go dancing with the club. You can read their ad on Page 24 of the May Promenade.

Sunday, June 3 NORTEX Officer Installation and Free Dance. Officer Installation and free dance for NORTEX members will be at Swingtime Center, Loop 820 at Anglin, Fort Worth. Installation will be at 4:00 p.m. and dancing from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Ray and Linda Savell calling and Chris and Maria Farabaugh cueing.

Wednesday, June 6 Plus Dance of Interest: Plus 4's will have Wayne Baldwin as a Guest Caller for this dance. This is a great time for the new plus dancers to attend a plus dance to get more floor time to practice their new skills of plus dancing. We hope that all of the Swinging Stars plus dancers will come to this dance and support Wayne and the new plus dancers. The format is all plus, no rounds. They dance at the Chapel Hill United Methodist Church, 12411 Templeton Tr. Farmers Branch. Dance starts at 7:30 till 9:30. See you there!



Friday, June 8 Swinging Stars Club Dance: New Dancer Dance and A Good Old Summertime Picnic. Wayne calling and John cueing rounds and lines dances. Our casual attire is in effect for the summer. We will be having a Mainstream workshop at 7:30 and Grand March at 8:00. Read our ad on page 10 of the June Promenade. Don't forget everyone is invited to Mama's Pizza after the dance.

Saturday, June 9 Dance of Interest: Dixie Chainers will be having Darryl Lipscomb as a guest caller for this dance. Darryl is an international caller. I particularly like his smooth style of calling. He is a caller that all of the new dancers should experience. We hope that not only the new dancers will attend this dance but our experienced dancers as well. He is not in the area very often so it will be a nice treat to dance to Darryl. Jack von der Heide is their cuer. The Early Rounds start at 7:00 with the Grand March at 7:30. Dixie Chainers dance at the Farmers Branch Senior Center 14055 Dennis Rd at Valwood Pkwy.

Fri. & Sat., June 15 and 16 Weekend Dance Of Interest:

Log Cabin Swingers Double Header Weekend.

- Friday-- Will have Jon Jones and Deborah Carrol-Jones calling Mainstream with announced Plus tips. Sonny Ezelle will be cueing the rounds. Early rounds will start at 7:00. Square dancing 7:30 to 9:30. Food will be served from 6:00 to 6:45
- Saturday -- Will have a Round Dance from 10 to 11:30 am with Sonny Ezelle. The caller on Sat. is Wade Driver. He will have an afternoon Plus Dance from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. The Saturday night dance will be Mainstream with announced Plus tips. Early rounds 7:00 and square dance at 7:30 to 9:30. Food will be served from 6:00 to 6:45.

Some are going to stay over night on Friday. If you are not interested in going for both days it isn't to far to go and come home in the same night. Each dance is a pay as you go. This way if you only want to participate in some of the dances scheduled you won't be paying for dances that you don't want to attend. To read a better description of this weekend dance in the lower section of this newsletter or see the ad in the June Promenade on page 7.

For dancers not interested in attending the weekend dance we highly recommend:

Saturday, June 16 Dance Of Interest: Rebel Rousers 23rd Anniversary Dance "Kaleidoscope of Color". Caller Mike Bramlett and Guest Caller K.O. Jeans. Christine Hixson cueing the Rounds. Early Rounds at 7:30 and Grand March at 8:00. There is a change of location for this dance. They will be at the All Saints Catholic Church 5231 Meadowcreek. We are asking that we all wear the color **Aqua**. (Or as I call it Turquoise). And of course if you don't have this color attire, we want you to go anyway. See the Ad on page 13 of the June Promenade.

Wednesday, June 20 Ladies Luncheon. Ladies Luncheon: Tuesday, May 22nd. at 11:30. Lorraine Burson is the hosting the luncheon this month. I have chosen the Chocolate Angel at 800 Central Expressway and Plano Parkway. This is a new Chocolate Angle. It is the High Street Antique Mall. Please email Lorraine Lorraine@Bursons.us by June 17th. I need to let them know how many are attending by the 18th.

Friday, June 22 Swinging Stars Club Dance: Regular Dance night. Wayne calling and John cueing rounds . Our casual attire is in effect for the summer. We will be having a Early Rounds at 7:30 and Square Dancing at 8:00. Don't forget everyone is invited to Mama's Pizza after the dance.

Saturday, June 23 Dance Of Interest: Cotton Pickin' Squares. Their regular dance night. They will have the ever popular Mike Bramlett calling and Christine Hixson cueing. Their dance location is L-3 Rec. Hall 50001, Jack Finney Blvd. Greenville, Texas. Early Rounds 7:30 Grand March 8:00.

Friday, June 29 Official Visitation: Rebel Rousers Presents Music of The Night, Round Up Kick Off Dance. Caller, Mike Bramlett and Cuer Christine Hixson. Early Rounds 7:00 and Grand March 7:30. The location will be at All Saints Catholic Church 5231 Meadowcreek. Wear something black and white with a splash of color. Read their ad on page 18 of the June Promenade.

Saturday, June 30 Official Visitation: Texas Reelers 37th Anniversary and Happy Birthday USA. Guest Caller Joey Duhamel and their Club Caller Mike Bramlett, with Jack and Ann von der Heide cueing the rounds. Early rounds 7:00 Grand March 8:00. The dance location will be at the Canyon Creek Presbyterian Church 3901 North Star, Richardson. Read their ad on page 23 of the June Promenade.

REFRESHMENTS

Refreshment Schedule – thru August 2012

Lead couple is first name on the list.

June 8 ----- Hardin/Smith, Nejd, Evanto, Maier*

June 22 ----- Trujillo, Piziali, Jimison, Row*

July 13 ----- Harris, Gifford, Putnam/Heintz, Pharr

July 27 ----- Loven, Hamm, Wheaton, McClure

August 10 ----- Stuart, Hursey, Hawkins, Pitts*

August 24 ----- Anthaume, Meyer, Rose, Carter*

Those with a * next to their name should not be in the Leader position until further notice.

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 7:00 pm. As per our contract with the PISD we are not to be in the gym before 7:00; refreshments shut down at 9:30 pm (no earlier).
- Repack bags in a Tidy Manner. If you take home a refreshment bag check that it has all the items listed on the Fluorescent Hang Tag in the bag. And be sure all items are clean.
- Thank you all for serving on our Refreshment Team.

Refreshment Duty Reminders:

- If you have a conflict with the Refreshment Schedule, please contact someone on the refreshment list to trade with you.
- Notify the refreshment schedulers: Jeff & Anne Stuart at 972-699-1317 or email: jwstuart@flash.net with the names of your schedule changes.
- Attend the dance prior to your turn for refreshments to pick up the three bags. Or be sure that someone picks them up for you.
- Check refreshment Bags for the info regarding “Refreshment Duty Tips” and “List of Items Supplied by the Club”.
- Contact Ralph and Lucy Hamm at 214-872-7219 or rehamm45@gmail.com for supplies prior to purchasing by Monday prior to club dance. We may already have what you need.

Schedule of advertised Theme Dances for the remainder of the year.

June 8	New Dancer Dance and A Good Old Summertime Picnic
July 27	Beach Party
August 24	Back to school Ice Cream Social
September 28	Let's Do It: An International World Ball
October 12	Tailgate Party
November 9	Chili Cook Off
December 14	Toys and Books

SAVE THE DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR

Mainstream Square Dance Lessons

Starting **Tuesday, August 28th**. Wayne Baldwin and the Swinging Stars along with the Plano Parks and Rec., will be sponsoring Mainstream Square Dance Lessons. Carpenter Park Rec. Center. 6701 Coit Rd. Plano. Start thinking of all the friends that you would like to be dancing with us and invite them to try. Start thinking of all the friends that you would like to be dancing with us and invite them to try. If you meet someone new tell them about square dancing and invite them to come and try. Tell them to go to www.swingingstars.org and they can read about the lessons there.

LOG CABIN SWINGERS DOUBLE HEADER WEEKEND

I am wondering if you are interested in going to this weekend with us. I have had some already say they would like to go. This would also be a good weekend for new plus dancers to get a little practice at the Saturday afternoon Plus Dance. There are several motels in the area where you can stay. Dave and I usually stay at the Best Western in Gun Barrel City. It is close by. Or if you have a RV there is a RV campground on the Promenade Hall Grounds, home to the Log Cabin Swingers.

Go to our Web site www.swingingstars.org and click on Weekends.

Log Cabin Swingers Weekend. June 15th and 16th

Would you like to schedule a square dance weekend to Log Cabin Swingers in Tool, TX?

This weekend is a pay as you go.

Friday night Dinner served at 6:00 to 6:45,

Early rounds at 7:00 and Square dancing at 7:30 to 9:30...\$8.00.

Saturday morning Round Dance at 10:00 to 11:30.....\$2.00

Saturday afternoon Plus Dance at 1:00 to 3:00.....\$3.00

Saturday night Dinner served at 6:00 to 6:45,

Early rounds at 7:00 and Square dancing 7:30 to 9:30 ..\$8.00.

All prices are per person

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Food will be served both nights from 6:00 to 6:45.

Be sure to pick up a flyer for this weekend at our next club dance. Or go to our Web site www.swingingstars.org and click on **Weekends**.

August 31st and September 1st.
18th Annual Chaparral Evening in Paris Dance.

FOR THE PLUS DANCERS:

We have 11 couples say they are going. I hope we can get more. Please let me know if you are going.

I am organizing a weekend trip to the 18th Annual Chaparral Evening in Paris August 31st and September 1st. If you have attended this dance, you can remember all the fun we had dancing to these 5 great callers: Ken Bower, Marshal Flippo, Jon and Deborah Carrol Jones, and Gary Shoemake. All are international callers that go all over the world calling. Round dancing will be to Sonny Ezelle. There is a special bonus for attending this dance for the club. If we get 3 squares to attend we can earn \$100 for the club's treasury. Add to that when you spend money in Paris, you save all your receipts, sign your name on them and throw them into a big bucket. After the Saturday night dance there is an After Party where they have refreshments, some very funny skits, and lots and lots of prizes. They draw the receipts and call out the name on the receipt. If they call your name, you win a very nice gift donated by the merchants that are members of the Paris Chamber of Commerce. Be sure to pick up a flyer for this weekend at our next club dance. Or go to our Web site www.swingingstars.org and click on Weekends.

Some have already said that they would like to attend. You can go ahead and get registered. When you send your registration, be sure to say you are with the Swinging Stars, Lorraine's group. If you don't tell them when you register they won't give us the credit toward our \$100. If we happen to get 12 couples we will get \$100 for treasury. If not, we will have a good time. Be sure to let me (Lorraine) know that you are going, I would like to keep track of how many are going.

Please let me know what you think.

Out of Town and Weekend Dances:

For information about weekend dances go to our Web Page www.swingingstars.org and click on Weekends.

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