Newsletter for June 10, 2012

Baldwin's Annual Fish Fry

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 or email jodie.baldwin@flash.net
Jodie will have a sign up sheet at our dances. Be sure to sign up to bring one of the
suggested dishes

EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK

A report from the Texas State Dance. Although this was not a scheduled visitation I believe it is worthy of recognition for the members that attended this wonderful weekend dance.

This report is from Maryann Starrett: There were 15 Swinging Stars at the 50th Texas State Festival in Wichita Falls this weekend. Don & Carol Capps, Chuck & Nancy Morse, Catherine & Jim Humphrey, Frank & Maryann Starrett, Wendy & Bill Perrott, Richard, Peggy & Jackie Jung and Bob and Terri Pitts.

It was a great weekend with many different callers and cuers from all over. Jon Jones & Melton Luttrell who called at the 1st Texas State Festival 50 years ago, called a couple of tips the way they used to call them back then.

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. Reports are that it was a fun dance and the food served was excellent and appeared to be a big hit with everyone. There were 74 Swinging Stars and 30 visitors. I understand there was I couple from Virginia. Thank you to Jim Reid for filling in for Dave doing the announcements. Thank you to the Refreshments Committee: Hardin/Smith, Nejdl, Row, Maier for the hot dogs and fixings. Congratulations to Bob and Terri Pitts, as they were awarded their first 25 club visitations dangle. Way to go guys!

Saturday, June 9 Dance of Interest: Dixie Chainers will be having Darryl Lipscomb as a guest caller. We enjoyed this dance, because Darrel is a very talented caller. He has such a smooth technique of calling. He is also very in tuned to the dancers and if they are having trouble with a call, he will go over it again. Thank you to the 9 members that attended: P Amy, Bursons, Kilejians, Hardin/Smith, and Stewarts.

COMING EVENTS

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 at 11:30. Lorraine Burson is hosting the luncheon this month. I have chosen the Chocolate Angel. This is a new Chocolate Angle inside the High Street Antique Mall. The address is 800 Central Expressway. High Street Antique Mall is in the shopping center on the northeast corner of and Plano Parkway and Central Expressway. Please email Lorraine at Lorraine@Bursons.us by June 17th. I need to firm up the reservation by the 18th. (This week I have it correct. Last week I think I must have been a little tired when I wrote the newsletter)

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.

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

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
January 25, 2013 Anniversary Dance

REFRESHMENTS DUTY AND INFORMATION

Refreshment Schedule – thru December 2012

Lead couple is first name on the list.

June 22 Trujillo, Piziali, Jimison, Evanto

July 13 Harris, Gifford, Putnam/Heintz, PharrJuly 27 Anthaume, Hamm, Wheaton, McClure

August 10
 August 24
 September 14
 Stuart, Hursey, Hawkins, Pitts*
 Loven, Meyer, Rose, Carter*
 Deluke, Capps, Mosher, Barber*

September 28 Pre-Roundup Dance – All Members Help

October 12 Lewis, Ross, Jung, Whitaker*

October 26 Dance Cancelled due to Callers Cavalcade Dance

November 9 Amy, Feldman, Henneberger, Sherman*

November 23 Dance Cancelled due to Thanksgiving Holiday
December 14 Dennison, Giaudrone/Benedetto, Loxsom, Bullock

December 28 Dance Cancelled due to the school not being available to us.

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.

Save These Dates:

Sunday, August 19th. GRAM Free Dance. This is a Fun Dance for people interested in learning to square dance. Bring all your friends, relatives and or acquaintances that inquire about our favorite pastime. 2:00 to 4:00 at the Senter Park Rec. Center in Irving.

Starting Tuesday, August 28th. Mainstream Square Dance Lessons
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 have 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 click on Lessons and they can read about the lessons.

Sunday, September 23rd. Appreciation Dance for Jay and Marty Miller. The NTCA is sponsoring an appreciation dance for Jay and Martie Miller. Jay has been a caller for many years and has done much for square dancing in our area. He has been diagnosed with ALS and the NTCA want to show them how much they love and appreciate them. They are doing this by sponsoring a dance at the Swingtime Center on September 23, 2012.

FOR THE PLUS DANCERS: (Be sure to read this)

August 31st and September 1st.

18th Annual Chaparral Evening in Paris Dance.

There is still time to decide.

If you want to go but have not told me, 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 club's treasury. If not we will "only" have a good time. Be sure to let me (Lorraine) know that you are going. I would like to keep track how many are going.

I know there are more wanting to go.. 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 out next club dance. Or go to our Web site www.swingingstars.org and click on Weekends.

Please let me know what you think.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS:

This from Vicki Evanto

To all Nortex square dancers and friends, It has been over 6 months since I had my liver surgery. I think I am finally part of the living again and get to start physical therapy. But MOST IMPORTANTLY, I am SO THANKFUL to all of you for your phone calls, cards, visits, and prayers during this time. I am very blessed to know so many special people in our square dance community. You have no idea how you helped me deal with such a traumatic experience. I kept all of the cards on my TV stand and whenever I was discouraged I looked back through each of them. I cannot thank you enough for your support. I cannot put into words the extent of my appreciation. But I can say that you are the nicest people in the world! Thank you! Thank you! I can't wait to see you again! Very soon!

Vicki Evanto

Out of Town and Weekend Dances:

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

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