Newsletter for July 8, 2012

Membership Dues:

Dues for the third quarter of 2012 are due. Dues are due the first Swinging Stars dance of each quarter. The quarters start January, April, July and October.

If you are not sure if your dues have been paid for the 3rd quarter, please contact the Treasurer, Jim and Debbie Reid. <u>ireid45@att.net</u>

You may send you payment to the address listed below. Or bring your payment to our next dance, if you have not already done so.

Dues are: \$35.00 per quarter per couple

\$70.00 per half year per couple (preferred)

\$140.00 per year per couple

Please make your check payable to Swinging Stars Thank you for paying your dues in a timely manner.

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VISITATIONS FOR THIS WEEK

We have 1 Official Visitation and 1 Dance of Interest for this week.

Please try to attend both if you can.

Official Let's Do It Dance

Thursday, July 12, Lone Star Solo. BLACK AND WHITE ROUND UP DANCE. Caller Dave Vieira and Christine Hixson Cuer. The Lone Stars Solos dance at the Knights of Columbus Hall 10110 Shoreview Rd., Dallas. Early Rounds 7:30. Grand March 8:00. Attire is Black and White. Read their ad on page 12 of the July Promenade.



Saturday July 14. Diamond Julibeers. GOD BLESS THE U.S.A. DANCE. Show your colors at the Swingtime Center. Let's make sure we show how much we appreciate and love our country. Caller Paul Kinsey, Cuer Mel Neuman. Early Rounds 7:00. Workshop 7:30. Grand March 8:00. The Diamond Jubileers dance at the Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820 at the Anglin Drive exit, Ft. Worth. See their ad on Page 14 of the July Promenade.



"Let's Have a Ball" Pre Round-Up Dance

I will have sign-up sheets at the dance on Friday. Please take time to sign up for a job <u>and</u> either salad or dessert.

Please click on the following link to read the information about signing up to help with the Let's Have a Ball, International World Ball Dance:

http://www.swingingstars.org/International World Ball Info.pdf

We are excited to have our "Let's Have a Ball" Pre-Roundup dance on Friday, September 28th. We have chosen the theme "International World Ball". Dress with an international flare if you like and come have a great time dancing as we build excitement for this year's annual NORTEX Roundup.

I would like to stress that <u>ALL</u> of the Swinging Stars members are hosting our Pre Round Up Dance. Everyone is expected to take part. This is a fundraiser for the club to help with the expenses of the club. Beyond that it is to be a fun filled night of friendship set to music. It is my expectation that everyone share in the tasks required to have a special dance of this kind. If everyone spends a little of his or her time helping out, everyone will be able to enjoy the dance. Please don't leave everything to the committee leaders to do all that is to be done. We will have sign-up sheets at the club dance on July 13th for you choose which job and time slot you prefer. Please make it a point to stop by the sign-in table as you enter the dance and check out what is available for you to do. With your corporation it will make a fun and pleasant time for everyone.

COMING EVENTS

LADIES LUNCHEON

Wednesday July 11, Jan Covington will be the hosting the lunch for this month. She has chosen Bonnie Ruth's Bistro, Watters Creek in Allen at Bethany and HWY 75. The time is 11:30. RSVP to Janlaree@sbcglobal.net by July 9 or morning of the 10th. You can check out Bonnie Ruth's by going to www.bonnieruthsallen.com/

PLUS DANCE

Wednesday July 11. Lone Star Solos will be hosting an ALL PLUS DANCE at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Downstairs, 10110 Shoreview Rd, Dallas. The fun starts at 7:00pm. The caller is Dave Vieira. This will be a good opportunity to get some Plus Dancing floor time.

Swinging Stars Club Dance

Friday, July 13. Regular Dance night. Wayne calling and John cueing rounds. Our casual attire is in effect for the summer. We will be having a Work Shop at 7:30 and Square Dancing at 8:00. Don't forget everyone is invited to Mama's Pizza after the dance.



Dance of Interest Let's Do It Dance

Friday, July 20, T-Square Gadabouts. CHRISTMAS IN JULY BALL.

I guess this is to make you think cold. Christmas attire would be appropriate.

Caller Rick Smith and Cuer Charles Crockett. Swingtime Center. 5100 SE Loop 820 at the Anglin Drive exit, Ft. Worth Early Rounds 7:00 Grand March 8:00.

Read ad on page 15 of the July Promenade.



Official Let's Do It Dance

Saturday, July 21. Buttons and Bows. HAVE A BALL YOUR WAY! They will be wearing their favorite team shirt or an official striped shirt and you are welcome to also. Or you can enjoy wearing your Round-up outfit or what ever you want. Just come hungry for typical ball park food. They dance at the Senter Park East Rec. Center, 228 Chamberlain, Irving.

Caller: Barry Hendricks, Cuer: Charles Crockett

Workshop 7:00, Early Rounds 7:30, Grand March 8:00.

This is a **BANNER RAID**. Read their ad on page 15 of the July Promenade.

Executive Committee Meeting

Sunday, July 22 at 3:00 PM. The Third Quarter Executive Meeting. The Swinging Stars Executive Committee will be meeting at Dave and Lorraine Burson house. If you have any question, concerns or club business you would like to bring to the committee this is the time to present it to us. Please call 972-396-0941 or email us Dave@Bursons.us to let us know you would like to come and speak to the committee.



Swinging Stars Club Dance

Friday, July 27, BEACH PARTY. 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.



Official Let's Do It Dance

Saturday, July 28. Tri-City Promenaders. LET'S DO IT....HAVE A BALL AT THE BEACH DANCE. You won't want to miss this dance. Caller Paul Kinsey will be doing his usual job on the squares as well as teaching the workshop at 7:30. Cuer Chris Farabaugh will be doing his smooth cueing the early rounds at 7:00. Grand March 8:00. The Tri-City Promenaders dance at the Brookside Center 1244 Brookside Drive, Hurst. Read ad on page 25 of the July Promenade.

EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK

Dangle Dance: Thursday, July 5, Yellow Rockers. Caller Wayne Shoemaker. Cuer Chris Farabaugh. This turned out to be a fun time for the Swinging Stars. We went to get a dangle and also got a Banner. We had 18 Swinging Stars attending: P. Amy, H. Feldman, Bursons, Fousts, Humphreys, Loxsoms, Pitts, Rows, Starretts, and Stuarts.

Dance of Interest: Friday, July 6. Kissin Kuzzins' Regular Dance night.

Caller Wayne Baldwin. Dave and I were not able to go dancing this weekend because we were sitting with our grandchild. I did however get a report from Peggy Pharr: "We had a pretty good representation at Kissin Kuzzins. There were 8 couples and we got their banner. Attending were Ralph and Lucy Hamm, Charlie and Linda Harris, George and Mary Loxsom, Richard and Dorinda Maier, Russell and Bev McGuire, Deckard and Peggy Pharr, Frank and Maryann Starrett and Joe and Colby Whitaker." Thanks to all that attended.

Official Let's Do It Dance: Saturday, July 7.

Decatur 8ers and Circle 8, TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME DANCE.

Callers Robert Walker and Milton Luttrell with Cuer Jack von der Heide. Thank you to the Maiers for making this report since we couldn't be there. "It was fun. At the Grand March they had 21 squares. I think they said they had 268 in attendance. The floor was full at every tip. These are our members that attended: Gary & Peggy Amy, Tom & Vicki Evanto, Mark & Karen Hawkins, Richard & Dorinda Maier, and Bob & Terri Pitts." Thanks to all that attended.

COLLECTING CALLER AND CUER DANGLES?

There is a group planning to go the Arlington Casuals on second Sunday in August to get a dangle from the caller Jimmy Ellis. If you would like to go than it will be more fun when there are several Swinging Stars attending. There is an ad on Page 30 of the July Promenade.

Caller: JIMMY ELLIS
Club: Arlington Casuals
When: August 12, Sunday
Time: 6:00 to 8:00 pm

Where: Pantego Lion's Club 3535 Maeathon

Pantego, TX

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.

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

August 10 Stuart, Hursey, Hawkins, Pitts*
Loven, Meyer, Rose, Carter*
September 14 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 <u>rehamm45@gmail.com</u> 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.

ROUND DANCE BOOT CAMP

(A Take –No-Hostages Learning Approach) Rumba/Cha-Cha 101 – Sat, Aug 11 Rumba/Cha-Cha 201 – Sat, Aug 25

Learn to round dance in a fast-paced learning experience for the highly-motivated student. Schedule (both days)

1:30 - 6:00pm Workshop/Lesson

7:00 – 9:00 Square Dance w/ Class level rounds for practice

John Brewer on rounds - Ronnie Himes on squares

Promenade Hall (home of Log Cabin Swingers)

1210 N Tool Dr (Hwy 274), Tool, TX

\$20.00/person/day or \$35.00/person for both days Advanced registration (or call if registering late)

Send fees to instructors: John & Eula Brewer

813 W Crossland Blvd Grand Prairie, TX 75052

Ph: 214.714.6601

E-Mail: R.Dancers@att.net

NEW INFORMATION ABOUT THE Annual Chaparral Evening in Paris Dance

August 31st and September 1st

I emailed Gary Shoemake to find out if it is true that there would be a Mainstream Hall for the mainstream dancers as advertised by Mike Bramlett.

Gary's reply was:

"Lorraine,

Yes, in fact, there will be a Mainstream/singing call hall and we're inviting your caller to join us to call for your dancers. If your caller is a member of the Texas State Caller's Association, we will give him a complimentary ticket for admission. You can make this a club affair by having your Plus & Mainstream dancers along with your caller, to join us for a great weekend of dancing."

This is great news. Now everyone can attend this fun weekend. I hope you all will plan to attend this fun time with the Swinging Stars in Paris.

I will have flyers for this weekend at the dance on Friday. Be sure to pick one up.

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 <u>Swinging Stars, Lorraine's group</u>. If you don't tell them when you register they won't give us the credit toward our \$100. If we get 12 couples attending 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 need to keep track of 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 and have been 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. In addition 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 prize 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 Special Weekends.

Questions: Contact Lorraine at Lorraine@Bursons.us

Please let me know what you think.

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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