Newsletter for August 7, 2016

From Kathy and Bob Estep, Swinging Stars Presidents:

Only a short time left and We still need to wrap up our Round Up ticket sales. You have sold\purchased over 500 tickets. That is outstanding. We still have 250 to go so please pick yours up at the next Club dance if you have not done so already. Half of the money raised from the sale of the tickets remains with our Club so this is a great fund raiser for the Club. It's also a great way to let others know about square dancing. Please remember to let folks know if they cannot go on this cruise date, they can choose any cruise of equal or less value that Carnival has. This means you can sell out of state when you go on vacation, they can leave from another port, it doesn't have to be Galveston as long as it's Carnival. Also you can always say if you don't cruise, you can win \$300.00! What a deal!

Start thinking about Sept. Lessons: Our next set of beginner lessons will start in September. We need every member to start working on new students NOW! Time to start wearing your T-Shirts again. If you did not pick up some business card size handouts at the last dance you can pick them up at this weeks dance.

Read all the way to the end of the Newsletter as the "Important Dates" are starting to get filled in for the year.

Kathy and Bob

Happening This Week

Friday, August 12 – Swinging Stars Dance – Wayne Baldwin & Walter Brewer Saturday, August 13 – Diamond Jubileers annual LUAU – Paul Kinsey & Chris Farabaugh

Announcements

Please note that Swinging Stars will be back in our normal home location starting in August. We are using the Summer Dress Code for June, July and August.

General Club Meeting: August 28, 2016, 3:00 PM. Austin Grill, 935 W. Parker Rd #410, Plano TX 75023.

Lorraine Burson: She is home from the Rehab facility and doing very well.

Cheryl Kendrick: She had knee surgery a short time ago; it went very well. Cheryl is home now and "getting into the post-surgery regiment".

Something different, for those of you that like that sort of "stuff". The Dixie Chainers are planning a Flash Mob Event at Vista Ridge Mall in Lewisville, TX and we need Help.

We want to get as many Square Dancers as possible to really show how much Fun we have dancing. The Event will be on Saturday, August 27th (tentative) from 3:00 PM until 5:00 PM.

The purpose is to drum up interest in Square Dancing for upcoming lessons in September.

Vernon Jones will Call (just a few tips, mostly Mainstream singing calls).

If you would like to participate call Wayne Weirich at (972) 241-4979 or (469) 268-0229 cell/Txt, info@dixiechainers.org

2nd VP Report – 07 August 2016 Jim & Knarik Bondi

SPECIAL "HEADS UP"

Reservations for Chaparral's 21st "Evening in Paris" Texas – Fri 02 Sep – Sat 03 Sep

Square & round dancers, this is a GREAT EVENT! We now have 5 couples registered. IF we can get 8 couples registered, our club will earn a \$50 reward. If we register 12 or more couples, we'll earn \$100. **Please consider going.** You'll need to get your completed reservation form and accompanying \$80 check for a couple (payable to "Chaparral Paris Weekend") submitted ASAP (as early registration ends 15 Aug). Preferably, give these to Jim & Knarik Bondi who'll group and mail them with other Swinging Stars reservations. If you mail them directly yourself, PLEASE MAKE JIM & KNARIK AWARE. You can hand over or communicate your registration to Bondis (or any club officer) at our next SS dance on 8/12/2016, or you can contact:

Jim & Knarik Bondi 4317 Brady Drive Plano, TX 75024 email: j.bondi@ieee.org cell: 214-226-5922 .

Thank you for your cooperation!

RECENT ACTIVITY -- DANCING/TRAINING

"A" Dance followed by Plus Dance

Wednesday 03 August - Plus 4s

During the early "A" dance, recent A graduates were joined by many seasoned A dancers. Guest caller, Wayne Baldwin, delivered 75 mild minutes of A1/A2 calls, pausing whenever needed to step call / tutor dancers who needed help with calls such as Motivate. Later, during the main Plus dance, a total of 20 Swinging Stars participated. A big Thank You to these Swinging Stars who attended: P. Amy, Bondis, Colters, Esteps, Evantos, Hamms, M. Hardin, Heintz/Putnam, Kerns, Kilejians, and Sees.

Square + Round Dance

Friday 05 August - Kissin Kuzzins - "Crazy Hat Dance"

30 Swinging Stars joined the Kissin Kuzzins in Garland, TX, Friday evening for their "Crazy Hat" dance. Consistent with the evening's theme, a wide variety of unusual hats were seen bobbing around the floor much of the time. On rounds, club cuer, J.L. Pelton, cued a very nice mix of rhythms and phases during 60 minutes of early rounds and later during square-intermittent rounds, honoring requests for some specific boleros and waltzes of interest to the floor. On squares, club caller, Wayne Baldwin, entertained dancers with many nice Mainstream tips and one Plus tip, these often interlaced with some of the great singing calls that his audiences have come to expect. A big thank you to these Swinging Stars who attended: P. Amy, Bergesens, Bondis, Esteps, Evantos, Giffords, Hamms, Harrises, Heintz/Putnam, Lassiters, Pharrs, Sees, Smith/Hardin, Trujillos, Williams, and C. Wolfe. Once again, we proved we're the club that "knows how to visit!"

Anniversary Square + Round Dance

Saturday 06 August – Solitaires – "34th Anniversary"

22 Swinging Stars journeyed to Garland, TX, Saturday night to help our friends, the Solitaires, celebrate their 34th club anniversary. The evening's rounds were masterfully managed by club cuer, J.L. Pelton, who delivered a memorable evening of nearly 1 hour of varied early rounds followed by square-intermittent rounds. For his part, on squares, club caller, Bobby Willis, kept dancers smiling all night with his enthusiastic calling and, upon request, even added one extra, very interesting Plus tip, for those interested, just when the dance would normally have ended. Thank you, Bobby, for this added treat. Many thanks to these Swinging Stars for attending: P. Amy, Bondis, Covingtons, Esteps, Feldmans, Hamms, Lassiters, Pitts, Sees, Smiths, Trujillos, and C. Wolfe.

RECENT ACTIVITY -- OTHER

Miscellaneous Dancing Reports

If you're a Swinging Star wanting to submit a SHORT report on a unique dancing visit that otherwise would not get covered here, please submit it to 2ndvp@swingingstars.org no later than mid Sunday afternoon for inclusion here in that night's newsletter. Try to include the names of fellow Swinging Stars who attended with you plus a few salient details (such as club, location, caller, cuer).

BANNER REPORT

We currently hold 13 banners captured from other clubs. On the flip side, other clubs currently hold 1 Swinging Stars banners captured from us. Overall banner status is detailed below. Remember, if you visit a club whose banner we already hold, please do not accept another of their banners.

Other Club Banners Held by Us

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Club	Date Captured
Texas Reelers	07-29-2016
Rebel Rousers	16-Jul-2016
Triangle Square	15-Jul-2016
Kissin Kuzzins	01-Jul-2016
Lone Star Solos	23-Jun-2016
Log Cabin Swingers	07-May-2016
Roadrunners	30-Apr-2016
Cotton Pickin Squares	23-Apr-2016
Solitaires	02-Apr-2016
Tri-City Promenaders	26-Mar-2016
Dixie Chainers	28-Mar-2015
Diamond Jubileers	14-Mar-2015
T Square Gadabouts	20-Feb-2015

Swinging Stars Banners Held at Other Clubs

Club	Date Captured
Trail Blazers	24-Jun-2016

UPCOMING ACTIVITY -- CLUB-RECOMMENDED DANCING

Our Dance

Friday 12 August – Swinging Stars – "Back to School"

Caller: Wayne Baldwin Cuer: Walter Brewer

Square Workshop: 7:00, Early Plus: 7:45, Grand March: 8:00

Wilson Middle School

1001 Custer Road, Plano, TX

UPCOMING ACTIVITY -- DANCING/TRAINING OF INTEREST

All-Plus Square Dance

Tuesday 09 August – Tri-City Promenaders "All Plus, No Frills"

Caller: Paul Kinsey Workshop: 7:30 Plus Dance: 8:00 Brookside Center

1244 Brookside Dr., Hurst, TX 76053

Square + Round Dance

Thursday 11 August - Lone Star Solos - "Back to School"

Caller: Dave Vieira Cuer: Chris Farabaugh Early Rounds: 7:00 Grand March: 7:30 KayCee Club Hall

10110 Shoreview Rd., Dallas, TX

"A" Dance

Thursday 11 August – Model As

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

"A": 7:00

Churchill Way Center

6906 Churchill Way (at Hillcrest), Dallas, TX

Square + Round Dance

Saturday 13 August – Diamond Jubileers – "Luau"

Caller: Paul Kinsey Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

ER: 7:00, WS: 7:30, Grand March 8:00

Swingtime Center

5100 S.E. Loop 820 (take "Anglin" exit), Fort Worth, TX

UPCOMING ACTIVITY -- OTHER

Ladies Luncheon

Wednesday 17 August, 11:30 AM – Bonnie Ruth's Bistro

Attention Swinging Star Ladies – come join us! We are so very grateful to Mary Hardin for volunteering to host the luncheon once again. For August, she has chosen BONNIE RUTH'S BISTRO, located at 916 Garden Park Drive in Watters Crossing in Allen near the corner of Bethany and 75. Please reply to Mary Hardin by August 16th mrhardin39@gmail.com or 972-517-8691 or 214-632-4230 to let her know how many will be attending. You can check out their lunch menu at Error! Hyperlink reference not valid. This is really a fun place to have lunch with the Swinging Stars Ladies, not only because of the fellowship and great food but also because of all the shopping you can do in the beautiful Watters Crossing center. Hope to see you all there!

Refreshments Duty and Information

August 12, 2016 See, Gifford, Rose, Ross

August 26, 2016 Loxsom, Pitts, Jung, Stuart

September 9: Colter, Feldman, Sherman, Bivins

September 23: Lee, Covington, Kern, Peggy Amy

October 14: Evanto, Bergesen, Schweers, Kilejian, Jimison, Hamm (Double Deal Dance)

October 28: Closed due to NORTEX Cavalcade

Please do not purchase any staple items (plates, cups, napkins, forks, etc, etc.) without first checking with the 1st Vice Presidents [Russ and Ann Nejdl] to see if they are already in inventory.

Thank you all for serving on our Refreshment Team

Important dates for the next year (you should have these on your calendar!):

August 21, 2016 - NORTEX Quarterly Meeting - Swingtime Center, Fort Worth, TX

August 28, 2016 – Swinging Stars General Meeting – Austin Grill – Plano, TX – 3:00 PM

October 14, 2016 – Swinging Stars DD Dance – Probably an Oktoberfest theme since the end of the month is

Round-UP. Details still being worked out.

October 28, 2016 – Swinging Stars Dance cancelled to support Callers Cavalcade

October 28 - 30, 2016 – Callers Cavalcade and NORTEX Oktoberfest (Round-UP)

December 2, 2016 – Swinging Stars Holiday Party at Haggard Party Barn.

March 31, 2017 – Swinging Stars Anniversary Dance

September 22, 2017 – Swinging Stars DD Dance (Something Special)

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 Lucy Hamm, and you can email her at llhamm45@gmail.com or phone her at 214-872-7219. Please contact her with anything that we need to be aware of in regards to sickness or other issues.

Kathy & Bob Estep

Swinging Stars Presidents

Email: president@swingingstars.org

Phone: 972-618-3640



We will be accepting Donations of School Supplies for the Shepard Elementary School. Supplies Requested: Kleenex Boxes, Glue Sticks, Crayons, Markers, Sandwich Bags, Blunt Scissors and Post-it Notes

In Addition To Our Back To School Dance We Are Having An Introduction to Square Dancing Dance



Bring your Friends, Family and Neighbors.

Dance is free to everyone interested in learning to square dance

Friday, August 12, 2016

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: Walter Brewer

Casual Attire

Intro to Sq. Dancing 7:00

Plus Dancing 7:45

Grand March 8:00

Hot Hash after the last tip

FUN FOOD FELLOWSHIP BANNERS HONEY POT

Shepard Elementary 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano, Tx. 72.9 h Dancers under the age of 18 dance for free with paying adults

For info: 972-618-3640 or President@swingingstars.org Visit our Web Site: swingingstars.org

Swinging Stars



Friday September 23, 2016

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Cuer Walter Brewer



Early Rounds 7:00

Plus Squares 7:45

Grand March 8:00

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