

Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for August 19, 2012

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RECRUIT! RECRUIT! RECRUIT!

Have you invited someone to take lessons?

Lesson time is getting closer. The Lessons Committee is in hopes of a good turnout of students. We would like to have at the least 2 squares for lessons. That is 16 people taking lessons. Ideally we would like to have more. There is room in the Carpenter Rec. Center for 6 squares. Wouldn't that be awesome to have 6 squares of students. Ok, I do know that we need some room for Angels. So please distribute the Flyers and put out the Tri Folds that were given out at the dance. The Flyers and Tri Folds won't do any good just sitting in your homes. You can get the information out by going to our Web Site www.swingingstars.org and sent out the information that is there about the lessons. Everyone has a stake in our goal to recruit new potential members. That is to keep our club growing and active.

The Lesson Committee is working actively to get out the word about our lessons that are about to start August 28th. We hope you are all working with the same enthusiasm that we are. As was mentioned in the last newsletter, the lessons are the life line of the club. We need to keep recruiting new dancers to keep our club alive. If you didn't get your packet of the Lesson Advertising Materials (5 pamphlets and 3 flyers), contact Kenneth Henneberger kenneth.sally@Verizon.net. You may have as many packets as you like. There are also several clear plastic pamphlet holders for those who know a place where these holders might be used. I am also adding an attachment of the flyer for you to download, you can print it or simply email it to your friends and invite them to take the lessons. Click on the following link: http://www.swingingstars.org/LessonFlyer_2012.pdf

In addition to the packets that I just mentioned there are discount coupons in an attachment for you to print, cut out, and give to your recruits. These discount coupons are for \$5.00 per person. Print the coupons and give the coupons to people that you have recruited for the lessons. The front and the back of the coupons are in this attachment. Click on the following link: <http://www.lifesjustadance.com/grampub/LJAD-Business-Card-8371.pdf> Print the front turn it over and print the back. The coupons can only be redeemed after the recruits have paid for the lessons. They are to present the coupons to the Swinging Star staff at the lessons to obtain the discount. The coupons can not be redeemed from the Parks and Rec.

Incase for some reason you have missed the information about the lessons I am going to repeat it for you.

BEGINNER BASIC MAINSTREAM SQUARE DANCE LESSONS SPONSORED BY THE "SWINGING STARS" START ON TUESDAY AUGUST 28 THRU DECEMBER 18 (17 LESSONS IN ALL) . We ask all club members to do their part to recruit students for our lessons. The Lesson Committee is doing advertising in local newspapers and magazines BUT WE NEED YOU to help us also by personally recruiting friends or acquaintances you feel would have fun doing our favorite pastime. We'll be handing out packets to all club members at our club dances. In each packet there will be Lesson Advertising Material: 5 pamphlets and 3 flyers. You may pick up as many packets as you like. There will also be several clear plastic pamphlet holders for those who know a place where these holders might be used.

Keep in mind the first two lessons on Tuesday, August 28 and Tuesday, September 4 are FREE. This is a good draw for those who have doubts about Square Dancing. Bring potential recruits with you these first two lessons.

Note also the Distribution Options listed in your packets. Always obtain permission from a store owner if you want to leave pamphlets in their store.

We thank all of you for your support in our recruiting efforts.

The Swinging Stars Lesson Committee 2012

EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK



Official Visitation Let's Do It Dance

Saturday, August 18. Trail Blazers. Let's Have a Ball with Wayne Baldwin calling the Squares and Jack Kenny cueing the Rounds. You might say we swam over to the Swingtime Center to dance to Wayne. Once we got inside the dance hall, we had a great time. The Swinging Stars were represented by Jodie Baldwin, John and Eula Brewer, Dave and Lorraine Burson, Richard and Jan Covington, Charlie and Linda Harris, Mark and Karen Hawkins, Richard and Dorinda Maier. Thanks to all of you for attending the dance on such a bad weather night.

COMING EVENTS FOR AUGUST

Ladies Luncheon

Tuesday, August 21, @ 11:30. Peggy Pharr will be hosting the Ladies Luncheon at the ****Into My Garden Tearoom****. Into My Garden Tearoom is located in beautiful Historic Downtown Plano nestled amongst all the wonderful shopping and less than one block from the Plano DART station. They are located in the back of Nooks 'n Krannies Gift Shop. The address is 1017 E 15th St., Plano. Please RSVP to Peggy Pharr at pjp0901@juno.com by August 12. You can check out Into My Garden by going to www.intomygarden.com. We always love going there for lunch.

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Square Dance Lessons

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. The lessons are at 7:00 to 9:00 every Tuesday and go thru Dec. 18th. 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 all about the lessons.

Dance of Interest

Thursday, August 30. Lone Star Solos. You will flip over Flippo.. Marshall Flippo will be a Guest Caller. Christine Hixson will cue the rounds. 7:30 Rounds. 8:00 Grand March. The Knights of Columbus Hall 10110 Shoreview Rd., Dallas.



Dance of Interest

Friday, August 31. Rainbow Rounds 20th Anniversary and Fairytale Ball. Boy this one sounds like fun! Caller Joey Duhamel and Cuer Karen Gloodt. Request Rounds 7:00. Grand March 8:00. Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820 at the Anglin Drive exit, Ft. Worth.



SWINGING STARS

SEPTEMBER 28, 2012

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



There are still several open slots for jobs and **we still need more salads** for the Pre Round-up Dance. If you have not volunteered to help with our Let's Do it... Have a Ball, International World Ball Dance, please check out what job still has openings. I will continue to have sign-up sheets at the dance on Fridays. Please take time to sign up for a one of the duties **and 2** salads. Or you can contact me at lorraine@bursons.us and tell me what you would like to volunteer to do and sign up to bring some salads.

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 **ALL** 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 dances 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 co-operation it will make a fun and pleasant time for everyone.

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

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 and Honor our Veterans Dance
December 14 New Dancer Dance/Toys & Books for Children's Advocacy Cen. Benefit Dance
January 25, 2013 Anniversary Dance

REFRESHMENTS DUTY AND INFORMATION

Refreshment Schedule – thru December 2012

Lead couple is first name on the list.

August 24 Capps, Loven, Hursey, Carter*
September 14 Deluke, Meyer, 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.
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Save These Dates:

Sunday, September 23rd. Appreciation Dance for Jay and Marty Miller.

Saturday, October 13. NORTEX/NTCA Reunion and Food Bank Benefit Dance. Watch for details in the Sept Promenade.

Sunday, October 21. NORTEX 2nd Fun Dance Party.

Friday, December 7th. Swinging Stars Christmas Party

Sunday, December 2nd. Toys for Tots dance in the afternoon and a Christmas Dance in the evening. More information as it becomes available.

Friday, January 25th. Swinging Stars Anniversary Dance.

Sunday, January 27th. Singing call and Round Dance of the year

A 1 & A 2 LESSONS

Advanced lessons sponsored by Model's A's Square Dance Club
Model A's dance every Thursday night 7-9 pm, at Churchill Way
Instructor-- Wayne Baldwin

Lessons Begin: Thursday, August 23rd 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm. Churchill Recreation Center.
Churchill and Hillcrest in Dallas. 20 Lessons @ \$5.00/person per lesson *(1st Lesson Free)**
. Call Wayne or Jodie for information at: 972-562-2178

Prerequisites Must have a partner. Must have completed plus lessons

ROUND DANCE BOOT CAMP

(A Take –No-Hostages Learning Approach)

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

Houston Hoedown

Here is a message from Bob and Terri Pitts. Please read it and let **them** know what you think and if you would like to go to the Houston Hoedown. This is the equivalent of the Round-up that we have here. It sure sounds like fun to me.

Hey Swinging Stars,

We discovered a square dance opportunity in Galveston, Texas 16-17 November. It is called the Houston Hoedown to be held at Moody Gardens and features the headline caller Dee Dee Dougherty and cuer Mark Prow. See the details in the link below which is also available on the Swinging Stars

website. Terri and I have already booked the event hotel (Moody Garden) and plan to participate in all the Friday and Saturday activities. We wanted to let you know about this opportunity to enable you to secure a hotel if you want to go and to collect interest from our club so we can plan travel, meals, etc. if there are enough interested. Let us know via email (bobp8211@gmail.com) if you plan to go.

<http://www.squarethru.com/Hoedown%20Flyer%202012-L.pdf>

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Thanks,
Bob and Terri Pitts
bobp8211@gmail.com

MEMBERSHIP NEWS:

Out of Town and Weekend Dances:

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

Dave and Lorraine Burson
Swinging Stars President
Email: Dave@Bursons.us
