



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for September 11, 2016

From Kathy and Bob Estep, Swinging Stars Presidents:

Start thinking about Sept. Lessons: Our next beginner lessons class will be September 13th. That is this Tuesday. We need every member to start working on new student candidates NOW! Send your potential dancer contact information to Dan Mosher (dmosher5@verizon.net) or to me at president@swingingstars.org and we will ensure they get a formal invitation from the Club.

WE ALWAYS NEED ANGLES – please bring your new students and help by assisting the new dancers. You might actually enjoy it!

Our last several Club Dances have been very small; meaning a lot of Club Members are not attending. If you are unable to dance please let me know. If you can still dance we look forward to seeing you at the next 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

Tuesday, September 13 – New Dancer Lessons – Caprenter Rec Center Plano

Friday, September 16 – We are visiting our friends at Kissin Kuzzins for their Fall Fest – Wayne Baldwin & J.L. Pelton

Saturday, September 17 – Rebel Rousers – Candy Land dance with Mike Bramlett & Christine Hixson

Announcements

Please note that Swinging Stars will revert to normal Square Dance Dress Code and our normal home location starting in September.

Oktoberfest Dance: On October the 14th, the Swinging Stars will host a Double Deal Oktoberfest dance. The Hamms, Bergesens, Bivins, Feldmans, Kilejians, and the Reids will be serving on the refreshments/decorations committee. We are expecting a large crowd. In addition to hot dogs and the "fixings" provided, we are asking each couple to bring EITHER a salad OR a dessert to serve 10-12 people. Sign up sheets will be available at both September dances; or you can reach out to Lucy Hamm – llhamm45@gmail.com Since this is our Double Deal Dance we are asking everyone in the Club to help!

2nd VP Report – 4 September 2016

Jim & Knarik Bondi

RECENT ACTIVITY -- DANCING/TRAINING

Club Dance: September 9, 2016

Caller Wayne Baldwin and cuer Walter Brewer treated 62 Swinging Stars and 7 guests to a wonderful evening of dancing on Friday night. Caller-in-training Richard Covington also called an excellent tip. During the workshop, Wayne taught the grand parade, a fun and challenging variation on the grand square which included square throughs and star throughs. Walter, as always, cued a fun and challenging selection of round dances, including a very nice slow two step. The after party at Austin Avenue Grill was attended by 17 Swinging Stars, 2 Texas Reelers, and an unaffiliated couple, Bob & Beth Goebev (potential members?!) who also attended the dance and appeared to have a great time.

September 10 – Diamond Jubileers – Red Hat Dance

Six Swinging Stars traveled to Swingtime Center to help the Diamond Jubileers celebrate their big Red Hat Dance. It also doubled (or tripled) as their Double Deal and Pre-Round-Up dance. There were lots of fancy red hats and Oktoberfest costumes. Karen Gloodt led off the evening with a full hour of early rounds featuring a good mixture of phase II – III selections that all round dancers could dance and more challenging dances for the more experienced dancers. Then club caller Paul Kinsey teamed up with guest caller Deborah Carroll Jones for some great square dance calling. Both were appropriately costumed for the dance's red hat/Oktoberfest theme. It was great to see and hear Paul looking and sounding strong after his recent health issues. Deborah called a very fun tip in which she gave a bow to Broadway singing "Whatever Lola Wants, Lola Gets" and having the dancers promenade in tango style. Karen continued her fine cueing between squares with a most enjoyable variety of waltzes, rumbas, cha chas, two steps, foxtrots, and jives. It was a great fun evening, and the Diamond Jubileers were excellent hosts to a crowd of 150+ dancers. Thanks to the Esteps, Hamms, and Sees for representing the Swinging Stars.

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 12 banners captured from other clubs. On the flip side, other clubs currently hold 2 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

Club	Date Captured
Texas Reelers	19-Aug-2016
Rebel Rousers	16-Jul-2016
Triangle Square	15-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
Kissin Kuzzins	26-Aug-2016
Trail Blazers	24-Jun-2016

UPCOMING ACTIVITY -- CLUB-RECOMMENDED DANCING

Friday 16 September – Kissin Kuzzins – Fall Fest Dance

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: J.L. Pelton

Early Rounds: 7:00 PM – First and Third Fridays

Square Workshop: 7:30 PM Third Friday

Grand March: 8:00 PM

Garland Sr. Activity Center

600 Avenue “A”

Garland, TX 75040

Saturday 17 September – Rebel Rousers – Candy Land Dance

Caller: Mike Bramlett

Cuer: Christine Hixson

Early Rounds: 7:00 PM

Plus Squares: 7:30 PM

Grand March: 8:00 PM

Richardson Senior Center

820 W Arapaho Rd.

Richardson, TX 75080

UPCOMING ACTIVITY -- OTHER

Ladies Luncheon

Tuesday 20 September, 11:30 AM – Cheesecake Factory (in Frisco)

Lucy Hamm is the hostess for this month's luncheon on Tuesday 20 September at 11:30 AM. She has chosen the Cheesecake Factory in Frisco's Stonebriar Centre mall. If you plan to go, please contact Lucy at llhamm45@gmail.com or 214-872-7219 to make your reservation by Sunday 18 September.

This Cheesecake Factory is just inside the south entrance of the mall facing Highway 121 (Sam Rayburn Tollway). More specifically, it is between JC Penney on the east and Dillard's on the west sides of the mall. The official address and phone are Stonebriar Centre, 2601 Preston Road, Frisco, TX 75034, 972-731-7799. You can check out the menu at

www.thecheesecakefactory.com. The menu includes gluten-free items. Valet parking is complimentary with your lunch receipt and is available on the level directly below the restaurant. Or, there is ample self-parking in front of the restaurant.

Refreshments Duty and Information

September 23: **Lee**, Covington, Kern, Duncan

October 14: **Hamm**, Bergesen, Bevins, Feldman, Kilejian, Reid (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 Nejd] 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!):

October 14, 2016 – Swinging Stars DD Dance – Oktoberfest theme since the end of the month is Round-UP.

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. (Linda Harris coordinator)

March 31, 2017 – Swinging Stars Anniversary Dance (Lorraine Burson coordinator)

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

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Upcoming Advertised Swinging Stars Theme Dances – Flyer(s) follow below:

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Autumn Leaves



Friday September 23, 2016



Caller Wayne Baldwin

Early Rounds 7:00

Cuer Walter Brewer

Plus Squares 7:45

Grand March 8:00



Hot Hash after last tip

Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano

Banners Honey Pot Fun Fellowship Refreshments
Dancers under 18 dance for free when accompanied by adults

For info: 972-618-3640 or president@swingingstars.org



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Double Deal Dance

Friday October 14, 2016

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Cuer: Walter Brewer



Early Rounds: 7:00

Plus Dancing: 7:45

Grand March: 8:00

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For Your Service



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Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Guest Cuer: JL Pelton

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