Newsletter for September 20, 2015

From Doug and Jan Bergesen, Swinging Stars President:

Don't forget this Friday is our BIG Double Deal dance. The theme is Come Sail Away. We are counting on everyone bringing the refreshment they signed up for. It should be a GREAT dance.

Doug and Jan

Happening This Week

Friday, September 25 – Club Dance – Come Sail Away Dance – DD – Early Rounds: 7:00PM. Grand March: 8:00PM at the Shepard Elementary School.

Saturday, September 26 – Of Interest Visit to Dixie Chainers – Olde Tyme Dance – Early Rounds: 7:00PM. Grand March: 7:30PM at the Farmers Branch Senior Center.

Sunday, September 27 – Autumn Fun Rounds – 2:00PM – 5:00PM at the Swingtime Center.

Announcements

IMPORTANT VOTE

This Friday after the dance and before we go to Mama's for pizza we need to have a quick club meeting so we can move forward on plans for our anniversary dance. It should only take a few minutes so we would appreciate everyone staying around for the vote. Thank you.

Round-up is a comin'

<u>2015 Round-Up Registrations deadline</u> is <u>FRIDAY</u>, <u>OCTOBER 16</u>, <u>2015!</u> Yea and verily we say unto you, heed this announcement to save yourselves the embarrassment of responding to your members you were unaware of this cutoff date for registration. In order to properly prepare the Admissions process, we need time to complete the task at hand AFTER all registrations are submitted. Please notify your club members at your home dances and at away dances you attend that we cannot accept registrations postmarked after Friday, October 16, 2015. This means ALL registration formats whether you are registering on-line or by mail. Tickets may be purchased at the door on the night of the dance after this cutoff date.

Double Deal Dance Refreshments

September 25th is our Double Deal Dance and we are hoping for LOTS of guests. Because of this, we are all going to do our part in providing refreshments for the hundreds of dancers who will be coming. This time we will all be bringing "finger food". The sign up list should be available at our next dance so you can let us know which category of finger food you will bring. By the way, this is not a Halloween Dance so your "finger food" doesn't have to look like fingers. 8)

Our Condolences to Bob Estep

It is with great sadness that I am writing to inform you that Mom completed her journey to Heaven tonight around 8:00 PM EST. Arrangements have not been made yet. Mom went peacefully and the last two weeks have been without pain or suffering. We are blessed that Mom has so many friends and family in the area that have been a constant source of support.

Please keep Kathy, me and the family in your prayers.

Bob Estep

Attention All Plus Dancers

Wayne will be Guest Calling for Charles Quisenberry at the Wednesday 30th **Plus 4's Dance**. You will not want to miss the full 2 hours of Plus Dancing. Dance starts at 7:30 be there or be square. Plus 4's Dances at the Chapel Hill United Methodist Church. 12411 Templeton Trail, Farmers Branch.

Start Making Your Plans

The 2016 National Square Dance Convention is going to be in Des Moines, Iowa celebrating their 65^{th} year. The dates are June $22^{nd} - 25^{th}$. If you have never attended one, you will enjoy the experience....just be sure you get plenty of rest and wear comfortable shoes as it is non-stop dancing.

* * * From Your 2nd VP's, Dave and Lorraine Burson* * * 2nd VP Report for September 20, 2015

Fri. Sept. 18 Triangle Squares Schmidtz Family

Twelve Squares, the entire Schmidtz Family, was shipwrecked on Gilligans Island. Guest Caller Danny Blagg and Club Caller/Cuer Toby Thomason safely rescued everyone. Twenty-one Swinging Stars swam ashore and captured a Banner from the Schmidtz Family cousins at the Triangle Squares. We supported the Triangle Squares Double Deal and hope they will come to our Double Deal dance this coming weekend and retrieve their banner. Present at the dance were; P Amy Bondis, Bursons, Colter, Duncans, Evantos, Feldmans, Hawkins, Z Kilejian, Pittses, Sees and C. Wolfe. I want to extend a huge thanks to all of you that drove the distance thru the horrific traffic to support the Swinging Stars and to have a fun time. We not only captured their banner we had the most club members attending, and collected 2 visitation signatures toward the 600-visitation award. Thank you all, you are the greatest!

Sat. Sept.19 Trail Blazers Duck Dynasty

With only Thirteen Swing Stars we were about ¼ of the dancers in the grand march. We all enjoyed the fun, fellowship, and great dancing to Guest Caller Joey Duhamel and Cuer Jack Kenny. Joey was unaware that the dance's theme was Duck Dynasty, but managed to pull a few "Ducky" tunes out of his music box for us to dance to. This dance was just "Ducky". There was a fine collection of ducks scattered around the dance hall of different shapes and sizes. Everyone seemed to have a wonderful time. Thanks to Swinging Star members P. Amy. Bursons, Evantos, Halversons, Perrotts, Sees and Sherrells, we captured another banner to ad to our collection of banners to hang on our wall of banners. We also earned another signature toward the 600-visitation award.

Banner Report

We have 12 banners and only have one out. As usual if you are visiting one of the clubs listed and they want to give you a banner, don't accept it.

Banners Captured by the Swinging Stars

Club	Date Captured
Buttons and Bows	Feb-7-15
Cotton Pickin' Squares	Dec-15-14
Diamond Jubileers	Mar-14-15
Dixie Chainers	Mar-28-15
Log Cabin Swingers	May-2-15
Lone Star Solos	Mar-12-15
Rebel Rousers	Aug-15-15
Roadrunners	May 30-15
Trail Blazers	Sept-19-15
T Square Gadabouts	Feb-20-15
Triangle Squares	Sept-18-15
Tri-City Promenaders	Jan-24-15

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Texas Reelers	Aug-14-15

SEPTEMBER VISITATION SCHEDULE AND COMING EVENTS LET'S STRIVE TO KEEP SQUARE DANCING ALIVE

Check below for the details

Of Interest

Sat. Sept. 26 Dixie Chainers Olde Tyme Dance

This is one of the Dixie Chainers' dances that we really look forward to. They take us back in time to dancing the way they used to back before they got square dancing all organized. It is fun and easy to do once you are taught the calls. Vernon will take you thru each call so you will be able to have as much fun as in the Good Old Days. I am sure that Jack will also be cueing some of the good old tunes from the past. I always like to remind you that they start earlier than most dances. Early Rounds are at 7:00 and the grand march is at 7:30. So don't be late! They also have a Square workshop in an adjacent room at 7:00.

Time: Early Rounds: 7:00, Sq. Workshop 7:00 Grand March: 7:30

Quick Look Caller: Vernon Jones

Cuer: Jack von der Heide

Location: Farmers Branch Senior Center 14055 Dennis Lane, Farmers Branch

Round Dance Of Interest

Quick Look

Sun. Sept. 27 Harvest Holiday Autumn Fun Dance

Make plans to attend a great afternoon of phase 2-4 level round dancing. Several local cuers are planning to attend and cue for our dancing pleasure. The dance is designed for the fun level, newer and intermediate round dancers. All level round dancers are invited and encouraged to attend and support this event. There will be great dancing, refreshments, and friendship.

Time: 2:00 to 5:00 Cuers: Area Cuers

Location: Swingtime Center 5100 E Loop 820 Ft. Worth

Refreshments Duty and Information

September 25 – Feldman, Sobotka, Dennison, DeLuke, Stuart, Loxsom

October 9 – Sherman, Rose, Hamm, Rickert October 23 – Smith/Hardin, See, Meyer, Estep

November 13 - Hawkins, Gifford, P. Amy, Evanto, Duncan, Bondi

December 11 - McClure, Starrett, Perrott, Kilegian

Please do not purchase any staple items (plates, cups, napkins, forks, etc, etc. without first checking with the !st Vice Presidents 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!):

September 25, 2015 Swinging Stars Double Deal Dance

October 30 – November 1, 2015 – NORTEX Callers Cavalcade and Round-Up

November 13, 2015 Swinging Stars Chili Cook-Off Dance

December 4, 2015 – Swinging Stars Holiday Party – Haggard Party Barn

January 30, 2016 – Swinging Stars 41st Anniversary Dance

June 22 – 25, 2016 – National Square Dance Convention in Des Moines, Iowa

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 Debbie Piziali, and you can email her at <u>debbie@piziali.dv.org</u> or phone her at 214-552-9802. Please contact her with anything that we need to be aware of in regards to sickness or other issues.

Doug & Jan Bergesen Swinging Stars President

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Phone: 972-834-3097

Upcoming Advertised Swinging Stars Theme Dances





Friday Sept. 25, 2015

Skipper: Wayne Baldwin

First Mate: Walter Brewer





Early Rounds: 7:00

Grand March: 8:00

Hot Hash after the last tip

Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano

Banners Honey Pot Fun Fellowship Refreshments

Dancers Under 18 dance free when accompanied by a paying adults
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Prizes For The Best Costumes

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Cuer:Walter Brewer

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Prizes for Best Chili and Best Dessert Friday, November 13, 2015

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Guest Cuer: JL Pelton

Workshop 7:00 Grand March 8:00 Hot Hash after last tip

Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano
Banners Honey Pot Fun Food Good Dancing

Dancers Under 18 dance free when accompanied by a paying adult

For info: 214-872-7219 or President@swingingstars.org

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