



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for May 29, 2016

From Kathy and Bob Estep, Swinging Stars Presidents:

The first dance in July is time to pay dues, if you have not already done so. This one is important as we will have a Club Meeting the first dance in July and you must be a paid up member to vote. We need all members to be eligible to vote. If possible please pay your dues in June.

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

Wednesday, June 1st – Plus 4’s

Friday, June 3rd – Triangle Squares

Saturday, June 4th – Solitaires – New Dancer Dance

Announcements

Fish Fry: June 12th will be Wayne Baldwin’s annual fish fry. As a Swinging Stars member you are invited. All Wayne and Jodie ask is that each couple bring a dish of food to share (Hors D’ Oeuvres, Salad, Dessert, sliced tomato plate, Hushpuppies, ect.. For you new dancers (and old ones too), you can obtain a “DUCK” dangle for your badge by dancing in the swimming pool. Please bring swim suit or cut offs for this event. The sign up sheet will be at the next Club Dance or you can call Jodie at 972-562-2174 – Jodie.baldwin@flash.net – to tell her what you plan to bring. I also included a copy of the sign up sheet with full details at the end of this Newsletter.

Memorial Day weekend is May 28 – 30, 2016. We wish that each of you are able to enjoy time with family and friends this holiday.

Please note that Swinging Stars will be dancing at Wilson Middle School, 1001 Custer Road, Plano, TX for the months of June and July. This is the same location we used last summer and is located right beside the normal location on Custer Road. For the curious minds, our normal location is having a new roof put on during June and July this year.

2nd VP Report – 29 May 2016

Jim & Knarik Bondi

RECENT ACTIVITY -- DANCING/TRAINING

“A” Lessons

Wednesday 25 May, 7:00 - 9:00 – Plus 4s

Instructor, Charles Quisenberry (“Quiz”), focused mostly on review this week, the exception being “Split (or Box) Transfer,” which was practically new to most students. As review, much time was spent improving our execution of Motivate (with students getting a chance to do the call from “different” starting positions), Spin the Windmill, and Chain Reaction. To give students more needed training, Quiz has decided to extend the lessons for several more weeks but, going forward, only on 1st, 3rd, & 5th Wednesdays, immediately before the Plus 4s normal dance. Swinging Stars students taking these lessons include Bondis, Heintz/Putnam, and Sees. Swinging Stars angels helping out this week were: P. Amy.

Our Dance

Friday 27 May, Swinging Stars

Nearly 70 dancers, including a few visitors, enjoyed the Swinging Stars dance Friday evening at Shepard Elementary School in Plano. To begin, Walter Brewer cued 45 minutes of varied early rounds, including many that Peltons’ recent Cha/Rhumba graduates could enjoy and Wayne Baldwin then called 15 minutes of interesting early Plus that kept dancers “on their toes.” After the Grand March, 1st VP, Russ Nejdil (filling in for Pres. Bob Estep) kicked off the main dance like an “experienced pro.” Round and square dancers, including 2 recent Main Stream graduate Swinging Stars couples, enjoyed the next 2 hours of alternating square and round dancing. Finally, 3 enthusiastic squares formed up to test their “fast dancing mettle” at a tip of Wayne’s Hot Hash. Afterward, ~ 20 dancers, callers, & cuers regrouped at On the Border in Plano to party on a bit longer.

Square + Round Dance

Saturday 28 May – Tri-City Promenaders – “Memorial Day”

13 Swinging Stars visited the Tri-City Promenaders in Hurst, TX, Saturday evening to enjoy their “Memorial Day” dance. Red, white, & blue attire was seen throughout the floor as many attendees displayed American pride in country and gratitude for the countless veterans throughout history that have helped us remain free. Festivities began with Early Rounds by club cuer, Chris Farabaugh, followed by a Square Workshop by guest caller, Bobby Willis. During the main dance, Bobby Willis surprised and reminded many dancers just how interesting good Main Stream can be when he called Wheel and Deal from FACING (not the usual back-to-back) parallel lines of 4. Many squares initially struggled with this until Bobby patiently and repeatedly demonstrated that the same definition we all learned long ago in Main Stream class still applies ... as written ... without modification ... to yield a column of 4 couples all facing out from square’s center (rather than in) in so-called “Completed Double Pass Thru” formation. As Bobby’s tutoring took hold, the red color initially on many faces gave way to a smile. A very big thank you goes to these Swinging Stars participating: P. Amy, Bondis, Brewers (new members), Evantos, Hamms, Sees, and Trujillos. With this attendance, we earned another club visitation signature (we’re closing rapidly on 600 now) but said “nay” to their banner (since we already have one).

RECENT ACTIVITY -- OTHER

Miscellaneous Dancing Reports

If you’re an active Swinging Star who visits frequently and wants to submit a SHORT report on a unique dancing visit that otherwise would not get covered here, you can submit it to 2ndvp@swingingstars.org by no later than mid Sunday afternoon for inclusion here in that night’s newsletter. Please 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 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

Club	Date Captured
Trail Blazers	21-May-2016
Kissin Kuzzins	20-May-2016
Log Cabin Swingers	07-May-2016
Roadrunners	30-Apr-2016
Cotton Pickin Squares	23-Apr-2016
Rebel Rousers	16-Apr-2016
Texas Reelers	15-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
Lone Star Solos	08-Apr-2016

UPCOMING ACTIVITY -- CLUB-RECOMMENDED DANCING

NORTEX – Special Open Meeting & Dance

Sunday 5 June – NORTEX – Officer Installation & Dance

Callers: Wayne Baldwin, Ray Savell

Cuer: J.L. Pelton

Officer Installation: 4:00

Square & Round Dance: 5:30 – 7:30

Swingtime Center

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

UPCOMING ACTIVITY -- DANCING/TRAINING OF INTEREST

“A” Lessons, All-Plus Dance

Wednesday 1 June – Plus 4s

Caller: Charles Quisenberry

“A” Lessons: 6:15 – 7:30

All-Plus Dance: 7:30 – 9:30

Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

12411 Templeton Trail, Farmers Branch, TX

New Square Dancer + Round Dance

Thursday 2 June – Roadrunners – “Rock & Roll”

Guest Caller: Charles Crocket

Cuer: Jack Kenny

Early Rounds: 6:45

Square Workshop: 7:00

Grand March: 7:30

Swingtime Center

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

Square + Round Dance

Friday 3 June – Triangle Squares

Caller: Toby Thomason

Cuer: Toby Thomason

Workshop: 7:00, Dinner: 7:30, Grand March: 8:00

Denton Senior Center

509 North Bell Ave., Denton, TX

New Square Dancer + Round Dance

Saturday 4 June – Solitaires – “Watermelon Fest”

Caller: Bobby Willis

Cuer: J.L. Pelton

Early Rounds: 7:00, Grand March: 7:45

Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

12411 Templeton Trail, Farmers Branch, TX

ACTIVITY -- OTHER

Ladies Luncheon

Tuesday 21 June, 11:30 AM – Into My Garden Tea Room

This month the luncheon will be at the new “Into My Garden Tea Room” on Tuesday, June 21 at 11:30 AM. We have not been to this cozy little restaurant for a while because they were closed. They have moved to a new location and are now open with a beautiful new fresh atmosphere. I am looking forward to dining there for lunch and hope you will join the ladies of the Swinging Stars for an afternoon of fellowship while enjoying a delicious lunch.

“Into My Garden Tea Room” is located at 1726 Avenue K in Plano. See www.intomygarden.com to check out their menu and find directions to their new location plus hints about parking. RSVP by June 18th to Lorraine at Lorraine@Bursons.us or 972-396-0941 so that I can give them our headcount a few days in advance.

Refreshments Duty and Information

June 10, 2016 **Row**, Hardin\Smith, Whipple, Rickert

June 24, 2016 **Halvorson**, Dennison, Hawkins, Kendrick (Plus representatives from Rebel Rousers)

July 8, 2016 **Bondi**, Maier, Pharr, Whitaker

July 22, 2016 **Burson**, Perrott, Putnam-Heintz, Williams

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!):

June 12, 2016 – Wayne Baldwin’s Annual Fish Fry – If the weather allows the fish to bite!

June 16 – 19 – Texas State Square Dance Festival – Waco, TX

June 21 – 26, 2016 – National Square Dance Convention in Des Moines, Iowa

June 24 – Friendship Dance – Rebel Rousers – Our Location – Wayne Baldwin – J.L. Pelton & Christine Hixon

July 8, 2016 – There will be a short Club Meeting following the Dance on this night. Main agenda item will be election of Officers for second half of year. Please stay as we need your vote for this important business.

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 - 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

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FISH FRY FOR SWINGING STARS IS AT BALDWIN'S 981 Timber Ln., Fairview 75069

SUNDAY, JUNE 12th- Happy Hour STARTS AT 5:30

SIGN UP SHEETS WILL BE AT DANCES MAY 27TH AND JUNE 10TH. YOU MAY ALSO SIGNUP BY CALLING Jodie at 972-562-2174 or by e-mail at jodie.baldwin@flash.net. We ask you to sign up ASAP so we will know how many to prepare for. PLEASE BRING ONLY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING

HORS D' OEUVRES

(should be here about 5:00)

SALADS (SERVES 8}

DESSERTS

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MARGARITAS (be here about 5:00)

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HUSHPUPIES(ANY KIND 24 TO 30 CT)

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IF YOU WANT TO EARN A SQUARE DUCK BADGE BRING YOUR SWIMSUIT OR CUT-OFFS

PARKING IS IN THE BACK AND WE WILL HAVE SOMEONE PARKING CARS IN THE BACK WHERE WE HAVE A LOT OF ROOM

Any questions? Call Jodie 972-562-2174

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



Come join the fun

***SWINGING STARS
REBEL ROUSERS
HOT AND BEACHY
FRIENDSHIP DANCE***



Friday June 24, 2016

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Early Rounds 7:00

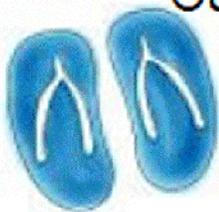
Cuer: Christine Hixson

Plus Dancing 7:45

Cuer: J L Pelton

Grand March 8:00

Hot Hash After Last Tip



NOTICE: Swinging Star dances in June and July will be at Wilson Middle School, at Grandview and 1001 Custer Rd, Plano

Banners Honey Pot Fun Fellowship Refreshments

Dancers Under 18 dance free when accompanied by paying adults



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SWINGING STARS



CRAZY DAZES OF SUMMER



Ice Cream Social



HERE'S THE
SCOOP

Friday July 22, 2016

Caller Wayne Baldwin

Cuer Walter Brewer

Early Rounds 7:00

Plus Squares 7:45

Grand March 8:00

Hot Hash after last tip

NOTICE: CHANGE OF VENUE FOR JULY DANCES

Wilson Middle School 1001 Custer Road at Grandview, Plano
Next Door To Shepard Elementary (where we usually dance)

July and August Casual Attire

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

Visit our Web page: www.swingingstars.org



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