



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for September 16, 2012

Important Please read !

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

INTERNATIONAL WORLD BALL

SEPTEMBER 28, 2012

Note: If you are signed up to help and or bring food, and you are not going to be at the dance, you need to let me know so I can try to refill your time slot or etc.

I am so happy to say we only need one more couple to bring desserts and only one more couple to bring salads. I will be sending a reminder separate from the newsletter. Please review it and let me know if I have made any mistakes in the schedule.

If you have not volunteered to help with our Let's Do it... International World Ball, I may call upon you at the dance to help where ever we might need some help.

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 gives 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. With your cooperation it will make a fun and pleasant time for everyone.

Swinging Stars "Greenie Night Friday, October 12

We are looking forward to hearing and dancing to all of you that are practicing a Singing Call for the October 12th Greenie Night and Tailgate Party Dance. I am told that we have about 5 or 6 brave talented members learning a singing call that they will be performing for us at our October dance. In case you missed reading the information last week *I am going to repeat it this week.*

To all Swinging Stars that are or might be interested in using you talent as a caller or a cuer. We are going to have a "Greenie Night". A Greenie Night is when anyone interested in trying out their skills as a caller or cuer can get a chance and have fun at our dance calling or cueing. If you are interested in showing off your talent at our Greenie Night, you would need to contact Wayne or John and get the information to get you started. If you already have been practicing to be a caller or cuer you would need to let Wayne or John know that you would like to participate in our Greenie Night. This is going to be only for members of the Swinging Stars interested in giving it a try.

The program would be:

Wayne would do the first part (pattern call) and the Greenie would do their singing calls, for each tip. If there should be more Greenies than tips, we would do two singing calls for a tip etc.

Contact Wayne at baldwin@flash.net or Phone 972-562-2174

There may be some Round Greenies, and they could cue between tips as usual.

This will take place on October 12 at our Tailgate Party. So don't hesitate give Wayne or John a call and get started.

John has requested the following:

I am excited as well. For the cueing part - please ask the members to contact me directly:

- 1) Of their intent to cue,
- 2) Whether or not they want to work w/ me directly to help them w/ their dance (or another cuer),
- 3) If they have a particular dance in mind - what it is.

Thanks,

J Walter Brewer

PS: they may e-mail or call

r.dancers@att.net 214.714.6601

I am really anxious to see and hear all of you that are willing to try.

Remember, "It isn't easy being Green".

LESSONS ARE UNDERWAY

We have 31 paid students. The single gal has an experienced partner, Kristopher Delosua who actually brought her. I don't know if you remember him. He was the young man from El Paso who had just moved to Plano last December after graduating from A & M in College Station. He had square danced there. He came to visit our club after moving here just a few days before. Anyway, she registered and he will be her partner/angle. We have another couple that couldn't make it to the lesson on Tuesday but are planning to take the lessons. That will make 33 students in all.

Thank you to these angels for helping with the lessons this past week.

Lucy and Ralph Hamm

Richard and Jan Covington

Joe and Coleta Lewis

Jeff and Anne Stuart

Andy and Debbie Piziali

Helen and Barry Feldman

George Loxsom

Kenneth and Sally Henneberger

Kristopher Delosua

If you are free on Tuesdays we could use your help angeling our students. Come and meet them and show them how much fun we have as a club.

Two Official Dances for this Week



Official Let's Do It Dance

Thursday, September 20. Yellow Rockers. Seniors Ball.

Caller Ray Stenger and Cuer Chris Farabaugh.

Early Rounds 7:00. Grand March 7:30. Chapel Hill United Methodist Church. 12411 Templeton Tr. Farmers Branch. See ad on page 17 of the September Promenade.



Official Let's Do It Dance

Friday, September 21. Triangle Squares. It's a Schmidtz Rindercella Ball.

Callers Toby Tomason and Danny Blagg, calling and cueing.

Early Rounds 7:30 and Grand March at 8:00.

Denton Civic Center 321 E. McKinney Street, Denton. If you miss this one you will be sorry, because the Schmidtz family is really fun!!! Check out their ad on page 18 of the September Promenade. Y'all Come, You hear!

EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK

Swinging Stars Club Dance

Friday, September 14. Regular club dance night. Wayne calling and John cueing. As we were not at the dance, I do not have a report from our dance this week. I would like to thank the Refreshments committee for their food and serving on the refreshments committee; Delukes, Rosses, Moshers, Barbers. Also, thank you to Ralph and Lucy Hamm for filling in for Dave and me.



Official Let's Do It Dance

Saturday, September 15. Log Cabin Swingers. Masquerade Ball. Caller Joey Duhamel with Cuer John Brewer. Thank you to both Stuarts and Feldmans for reporting to me about the dance. I thought you would like to know that some of us represented the club and went to Log Cabin Swingers Let's Do It Dance. Those who went had to step up our pace to dance to Joey Duhamel's fast calling. Walter and Eula Brewer were there as he was cuing. Also there were Evantos, Stuarts and Feldmans. Log Cabin Swingers served a very filling and tasty covered dish supper, which we all enjoyed. Helen

COMING EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER

PLUS Dance of Interest

Monday, September, 17. ADD Plus. A night of Dancing with World Renown Caller Jerry Justin. ADD Plus normally dances All Position Dancing, but they have open the doors to all plus dancers. Jerry will be calling Plus Level for this evening of fun. So if you are a plus dancer this is a must. Squares start at 7:00 at the Richardson Senior Center, 820 W. Arapaho. Casual Attire. See ad on page 16 of the Sept. Promenade.

Ladies Luncheon

Monday, September 17 @ 11:30. Fran Bivins will be hosting the luncheon this month. It will be at the Christina's Mexican Restaurant. 109 Farm to Market Road 544 at Murphy Road. Location is on the NE corner of Fm 544. Check out Christina's by going to www.christinasmex.com scroll down and click on menu and see all the delicious food listed. Yummy! Please let Fran know if you will be attending by September 14th so she can inform the management how many are coming.



PLUS Dance of Interest

Wednesday, September 19. Plus 4's. Let's Have a Ball Dance.

Caller Charles Quisenberry. The Squares start at 7:30 till 9:30. There is no ad in the Promenade. I am assuming that it is Black and White with a touch of color. Chapel Hill United Methodist Church, 12411 Templeton Tr. Farmers Branch. Hope to see to you there.



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Caller Ray Stenger and Cuer Chris Farabaugh.

Early Rounds 7:00. Grand March 7:30. Chapel Hill United Methodist Church. 12411 Templeton Tr. Farmers Branch. See ad on page 17 of the September Promenade.



Official Let's Do It Dance

Friday, September 21. Triangle Squares. It's a Schmidt's Rinderella Ball.

Callers Toby Tomason and Danny Blagg, calling and cueing.

Early Rounds 7:30 and Grand March at 8:00.

Denton Civic Center 321 E. McKinney Street, Denton. If you miss this one you will be sorry, because the Schmidt's family is really fun!!! Check out their ad on page 18 of the September Promenade. Y'all Come, You hear!

Dance of Interest

Saturday, September 22. Tri City Promenaders. Homecoming Dance.

Caller Paul Kinsey with Cuer Chris Farabaugh.

Early Rounds 7:00, Workshop 7:30, Grand March 8:00.

Brookside Center 1244 Brookside Dr. Hurst. See ad on Page 20 of the Sept. Promenade.

Appreciation Dance of Interest

Sunday, September 23. Jay and Marti Miller Appreciation Dance.

NTCA Callers and Cuers. 3:00 to 6:00.

Location is at the Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820 @ Anglin in Fort Worth.

Be sure to read the ad on page 30 of the September Promenade for more details.

PLUS Dance of Interest

Tuesday, September, 25. ADD Plus. A night of Dancing with Jokester and National Caller Tom Roper. ADD Plus normally dances All Position Dancing, but they have open the doors to all plus dancers. Tom will be calling Plus Level for this evening of fun. So if you are a plus dancer this is a must. Squares start at 7:00 at the Richardson Senior Center 820 W. Arapaho. Casual Attire. See ad on page 31 of the Sept. Promenade.



Swinging Stars Club Dance

Friday, September 28. Swinging Stars International World Ball. Dress with an international flare if you like or wear your Black and White with a touch of color.

Wayne calling and John cueing. We will be having a Early Rounds at 7:30 and Grand March at 8:00. We hope you all will join us at Mama's Pizza after the dance for some good food and fellowship.

Dance of Interest

Saturday, September 29. Decatur 8'ers. Roaring 20's Anniversary Dance.

Come to the Swingtime Speakeasy and mix with the flappers and gangsters.

Callers Joey Duhamel and Robert Walker.

Early Rounds 7:00, workshop 7:30, Grand March 8:00.

Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820 @ Anglin in Fort Worth.

See ad on page 35 of the September Promenade. You gotta be there!



Dance of Interest

Saturday, September 30. Harvest Holiday. Autumn Fun Rounds Have a Ball Dance.

Round Dancing Phases 2, 3, & 4. Cueing by Area Instructors. 2:00 to 5:00. Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820 @ Anglin in Fort Worth. See ad on page 36 of the September Promenade.

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

September 28 Let's Do It: An International World Ball

October 12 Tailgate Party and Greenie Night

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.

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| September 28 | Pre-Roundup Dance – All Members Help |
| October 12 | Lewis, Meyer, 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.

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.

Sunday, November 11. Swinging Stars Regular Business Meeting

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

Houston Hoe-down - Galveston, TX November 16 & 17

The Houston Hoe-down (Houston version of NORTEX Round-Up) will be at Moody Gardens in Galveston, TX and features caller Dee Dee Dougherty and cuer Mark Prow.

Dancing will be Friday 7:00PM-11:00PM and Saturday 9:30AM-10:30PM.

There will be four dance halls on Saturday:

- 1) Mainstream / Plus with Rounds,
- 2) Rounds & Intro to Rounds,
- 3) Plus DBD / A1 / A2 and intro to A1,
- 4) Lines / Contra / Clogging.

The cost is \$25 ea. if you register by Oct.30th.

Let Bob Pitts (bobp8211@gmail.com) know so you can be included in the event planning.

The link to the event flyer is:

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

Looks like a good group so far:

Bob & Terri Pitts

Dave & Lorraine Burson

Rick & Jan Covington

Bill & Wendy Perrott

Gary & Peggy Amy

Peggy & Deckard Pharr - probable

Thanks,

Bob

MEMBERSHIP NEWS:

A message from Mark Hawkins:

I thought that I should let you know about what is happening in our lives so that you won't expect to see us.

Any way right now Karen is out in California. Her sister was diagnosed with thyroid cancer and she had the cancer removed on Tuesday after Labor day. It was stage 4 cancer and the doctor thinks that he removed over 99% of the tumor after an intensive and lengthy surgery. She is supposed to see the endocrinologist tomorrow and we will know more then.

The nurse told Karen last Thursday that she estimated Mary's pain level to be at about a level 7 on a 0 - 10 scale. That is why they prescribed morphine to be administered every 4 hours.

They are supposed to re-evaluate her tomorrow and Karen expects that they will either administer the doses more frequently or at a larger dose or maybe even both. Other than that not much has changed, i.e. she isn't eating and she is taking water from an eyedropper.

Nothing at all very encouraging.

We will not be able to attend any events until we can get her family settled down and stable. I will try to keep you updated as things progress.

Please pray for them. Tell everyone 'Hi' for us.

Thank you very much.

Mark Hawkins

Message about a Past President:

Earlier I had info in our club newsletter about our past President Margaret Purkey who passed away. Now they are having her Internment on September 24, at 12:30 in the afternoon. She will e interned in the Dallas- Fort Worth National Cemetery, 2000 Mountain Creek Parkway, Dallas 214-467-3378.

Some information from our cuer:

As you've probably heard more than once, I go by Walter in all aspects of life except square dancing. This year has been a transition year for me trying to get people used to the idea of using the name 'Walter' for me.

Jan 1, 2013 is the date I hope to have this transition completed. Soooooo . . .

Would you kindly change the name on all flyers and other sales//promotional literature/media for me to "Walter" for anything happening after 1/1/2013?

If you'd like to play with it a bit by putting something like "Walter (the cuer formerly known as 'Big John') and Eula Brewer" == that would be okay for a little while.

Thanks,

Walter

(the cuer formerly known as 'Big John')

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
