



# Swinging Stars

## Square and Round Dance Club

### *Newsletter for October 5, 2014*

**Our dance this Friday** will begin with a one hour square dance workshop at 7:00PM. There will be no theme, no pressure for the dance – just a fun and relaxing evening of dancing. We look forward to seeing you all there!

This was a **good visitation week** with lots of Swinging Stars going to Plus 4s, the Kissin' Kuzzins, and the Decatur 8ers. Thank you for your enthusiastic support of our club, especially those of you who made the long drive to the Decatur 8ers. Read the reports in "Events from the Past Week" below.

**Callers Cavalcade and Round-Up** are just twelve and thirteen days away, respectively. Got your tickets?

We have some **club dance schedule changes** coming up the next three months. You'll want to **make sure your calendar reflects these changes**. Our 4<sup>th</sup> Friday dance for October 24<sup>th</sup> is cancelled, and we will host our Halloween Costume Party Dance on the 5<sup>th</sup> Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. Also, our 4<sup>th</sup> Friday dances for November 28<sup>th</sup> and December 26<sup>th</sup> (days after Thanksgiving and Christmas) are cancelled.

Ralph and Lucy

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### Happening This Week

Tuesday, October 7 – Mainstream lesson, Carpenter Rec Center, 7:15PM

Friday, October 10 – Club dance, 7:00PM.

Saturday, October 11 – Visit to Diamond Jubileers Halloween Special; see details in Coming Events below.

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### Announcements

**James Ross** had bypass surgery on Friday. It went very well, and he is progressing as expected. Please keep James and Judy in your prayers as he recovers.

**From Mark and Karen Hawkins, Lesson Chair:** We want to thank the following people who served as Angels this last week: Peggy Amy; Skip Archey; Jim Bondi; Dave & Lorraine Burson; Bob & Kathy Estep; Barry & Helen Feldman; Ralph & Lucy Hamm; Mark & Karen Hawkins; Richard & Jackie Jung; George Loxsom; Ron & Donita See; Marcy Sherman; Rene & Cher Shinavar; and Jeff & Anne Stuart. This was a great turnout, and your help is greatly appreciated. We had some student absences, so our need was not as great as it could have been. We need to have a similar turnout this week, so please contact our Angel Coordinator, Lorraine Burson at [Lorraine@Bursons.us](mailto:Lorraine@Bursons.us) or [972-396-0941](tel:972-396-0941).



## Cafe Brazil

This is going to be another adventure in dining for the **Swinging Stars ladies luncheon**. **Helen Feldman is hosting** the luncheon for October, and she has chosen Cafe Brazil located at 200 Coit Road in Plano, near Central Market and close to George Bush Turnpike. The date is **Tuesday October 28th at 11:30AM**.

**Please contact Helen** at [hfeldman73@yahoo.com](mailto:hfeldman73@yahoo.com) or [972-250-6815](tel:972-250-6815) by **October 25<sup>th</sup>** so she will have ample time to make the reservations with Cafe Brazil and to let them know how many are coming.

Food choices include homemade soups, salads, quesadillas, sandwiches and several entrees. Coffee lovers will enjoy their variety of fresh coffee. Check out their menu at [www.cafebrazil.com](http://www.cafebrazil.com) and click on menu. Everything sounds and looks delicious. Can't wait!

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### \* \* \* From Your 2<sup>nd</sup> VPs \* \* \*

Our current Swinging Stars banner inventory is shown below. If you visit a club whose banner we have, please don't bring home another one.

#### Banners Captured by the Swinging Stars

Club	Date Captured
Decatur 8ers	4-Oct-14
Diamond Jubileers	13-Sep-14
Dixie Chainers	22-Mar-14
Kissin' Kuzzins	03-Oct-14
Log Cabin Swingers	4-May-13
Roadrunners	17-Jul-14
Solitaires	04-Jan-14
Tri-City Promenaders	23-Aug-14

#### Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Lone Star Solos	26-Sep-14
Rebel Rousers	26-Sep-14
Texas Reelers	26-Sep-14

### \* \* \* EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK \* \* \*

#### Plus 4s, Wednesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>

Twenty-one (21) Swinging Stars visited the Plus 4s at the Webbs Chapel United Methodist Church in Farmers Branch Wednesday evening. Squares were called by guest and Texas Hall of Fame caller Wayne Baldwin. The Plus 4s is a popular dancing venue for many Swinging Stars and plus dancers looking to improve their skills in general. Wayne provided a challenging, educational, and fun environment. Wayne introduced us to "diamond chain", "cross clover", and separated "acey deucey" into its two components by having the aceys do one thing and the deuceys do something else. Swinging Stars in attendance were P. Amy, J. Bondi, Bursons, Colters, J. Duncan, Halvorsons, Hamms, Kerns, Lewises, Lloyds, Sees, and Shermans.

### **Of Interest, Kissin' Kuzzins, Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Twenty-seven (27) Swinging Stars visited the Kissin' Kuzzins in Garland Friday night. Squares were called by our own Wayne Baldwin, and rounds were cued by Christine Hixson – both doing an excellent job, as expected. All in attendance had a great time, and we want to thank all the Swinging Stars who helped capture their banner. Swinging Stars attending were P. Amy, J. Bondi, Bursons, Covingtons, Delukes, Esteps, Hamms, HARRISES, Kerns, Lewises, Lloyds, Pharrs, Sees, Smith/ Hardin, and C. Wolfe.

### **Official, Decatur 8ers, Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>**

Eighteen (18) Swinging Stars drove all the way to Bridgeport to visit the Decatur 8ers Saturday evening. Squares were called by club caller Robert Walker and guest caller and Texas Hall of Famer Paul Kinsey. The theme of the dance was the "36<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Oktoberfest Dance" that came complete with German and Austrian attire and food. During the workshop, Paul Kinsey taught us the "Teacup Promenade" by having first the women going into the middle for the ¾ star with the men moving around the square in the opposite direction by ¼ - and repeating that until we got back to our home position, and then teaching it by swapping the men and the women so that we learned it by DBD. Thanks to all the Swinging Stars who helped retrieve our banner and capture their banner. Swinging Stars attending were P. Amy, J. Bondi, Bursons, Duncans, Esteps, Hamms, HARRISES, Lassiters, Perrotts, and Sees.

## **\* \* \* COMING EVENTS \* \* \***

### **Swinging Stars, Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup>**

Location: Shepard Elementary (1000 Wilson Dr., Plano, TX)  
Time: Workshop – 7:00PM/ square up – 8:00PM  
Caller: Wayne Baldwin  
Cuer: Walter Brewer  
Notes: Club dance

### **Of Interest, Diamond Jubileers, Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup>**

Location: Swingtime Center (5100 S.E. Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX)  
Time: Early rounds – 7:00PM / workshop – 7:30PM / grand march – 8:00PM  
Caller: Paul Kinsey  
Cuer: Mel Neuman  
Theme: Halloween Special

### **Of Interest, Roadrunners, Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>**

Location: Swingtime Center (5100 S.E. Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX)  
Time: Early rounds – 6:45PM / workshop – 7:00PM / grand march – 7:30PM  
Caller: Mike Bramlett  
Cuer: Karen Gloodt  
Theme: Monster Mash  
Notes: Double Deal

### **NTCA Callers' Cavalcade, October 17<sup>th</sup>**

Location: Grapevine Convention Center (1209 S. Main St., Grapevine, TX)  
Website: <http://www.nortex.org/>  
Time: Future stars dance – 5:30PM / early rounds – 7:00PM / grand march – 7:45PM  
Callers: Area callers and trainee / associate callers  
Cuers: Cuers

## **NORTEX Round-Up, October 18th**

Location: Grapevine Convention Center (1209 S. Main St., Grapevine, TX)

Website: <http://www.nortex.org/>

Time: All day Saturday, Sunday morning

Callers: Ken Bower (feature caller), area callers

Cuer: Area cuers

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## **Refreshments Duty and Information**

October 10	Feldman, Barber, Halvorson, Reid
October 31	See, Kern, Bondi, Jung, Mars, Underwood (*note: Board added two extra couples for 5 <sup>th</sup> Friday dance – extra visitors anticipated.)
November 14	Sherman, Lloyd, Covington, Bushell/Dvorak
November 28	Dance cancelled (day after Thanksgiving)
December 12	Stuart, Sherrell, Colter, Kendrick
December 26	Dance cancelled (day after Christmas)

**If you need to change your scheduled date**, please contact someone on the refreshment list to trade with you. Notify Jeff and Anne Stuart at 972-699-1317 or email [jwstuart@flash.net](mailto:jwstuart@flash.net) of the names/dates to change.

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 at 6:45 pm. As per our contract with PISD, we cannot enter the gym before 6:45 pm
- Enter thru the Gym door.
- Refreshments shut down at 9:30 pm (no earlier)
- If you take home a refreshment bag, check that it has all the items listed on the Florescent Hang Tag on the bag.
- Be sure all items are clean
- Repack bags in a Tidy Manner

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](mailto:jwstuart@flash.net) the names of your schedule changes.
- Attend the dance prior to your turn for refreshments and pick up the Four Bags. If unable to do so 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 George and Mary Loxsom at 972-312-8513 or [1stVP@swingingstars.org](mailto:1stVP@swingingstars.org) for supplies prior to purchasing by Monday prior to club dance. They may already have what you need.

**Thank you all for serving on our Refreshment Team!**

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# Upcoming Advertised Swinging Stars Theme Dances

## HALLOWEEN Swinging Stars Costume Party Dance



Friday, October 31 (5th Friday)

## Swinging Stars



## Saluting All Veterans

*Showing Our Appreciation For Your Service  
All Veterans Dance Free*



*And*

## New Dancer Dance

**Club Members, Bring Your New Dancers and Students  
Students, Please Wear Your Student Badges To Dance Free  
Line Dancing and Rounds Between Tips**

**Friday, November 14, 2014**



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**Important dates for the next year (you should have these on your calendar!):**

October 17 – 19, 2014 – NORTEX Round-Up – see complete information and get registration and lodging reservation forms here: <http://www.roundup2014.com/>

Friday, October 31, 2014 – Halloween Dance (Fifth Friday)

Friday, December 5, 2014 – Swinging Stars annual holiday party

Sunday, December 7, 2014 – NTCA/NORTEX Toys for Tots Christmas Dance

Friday, January 23, 2015 – Swinging Stars 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance

Saturday, January 31, 2015 – Dave and Lorraine Burson's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance – everyone is invited

June 4 – 7, 2015 – 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Texas State Federation Square and Round Dance Festival, Waco, TX

June 24 – 27, 2015 – 64<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention, Springfield, MA

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Check out and Like our Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Swinging-Stars-Square-Round-Dance-Club/518717944880222>

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For information about weekend dances, go to our Web Page [www.swingingstars.org](http://www.swingingstars.org) and click on Weekends.

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Remember our Sunshine person is Debbie Piziali, and you can email her at [debbie@piziali.dv.org](mailto:debbie@piziali.dv.org) 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.

**Ralph and Lucy Hamm**

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