



# Swinging Stars

## Square and Round Dance Club

### *Newsletter for October 16, 2016*

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**From Kathy and Bob Estep, Swinging Stars Presidents:**

**Club Dance – Oktoberfest – This past Friday:** Great dance this past Friday night. Food and decorations were outstanding! On Saturday, while visiting another Club dance, several dancers came up to Kathy and me to express their thanks for our outstanding Friday Night 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

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### **Happening This Week**

**Monday, October 17** – Lessons in Allen – Need Angels; please help us.

**Wednesday, October 19** – Ladies Luncheon – First Watch, 3131 Custer Rd, Plano, TX.

**Wednesday, October 19** – Plus 4’s – Charles Quisenberry

**Friday, October 21** – Texas Reelers – National Apple Day – Dave Vieira & Chris Farabaugh.

**Saturday, October 22** – Tri City Promenaders – Oktoberfest – Paul Kinsey & Chris Farabaugh – **Please join us for this one as we can achieve our Club 640 visitation with your help; and we need to recapture our Banner.**

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### **Announcements**

**Swinging Stars Holiday Party** -- Holiday Party!! Friday December 2<sup>nd</sup>, Haggard Party Barn

Register Now: Get your money in early! \$38.00 per couple (Members, students and associates only). Evening includes BBQ dinner with all the fixins’, beer and margaritas. Dancing and fun You can mail your check **PAYABLE to Betty Wheaton** 6102 Lakeshore Dr, Rowlett, TX 75089. Or you can bring cash or your check (payable to Betty) to an upcoming dance. BIG SHOUT OUT to Betty for helping with the party!!

#### **Holiday Cash Gift for Miguel**

Miguel Angel is the Shepard Custodian supporting our club needs for dances. Please be generous and contribute to his Holiday Cash Gift from the Swinging Stars. Last year we were able to give him a \$300 cash gift. We need your support to match that again this year! Linda and Charlie will have a donation box available at our upcoming dances/events so please help as we have a wonderful Custodian that bends over backward to help out Swinging Stars. Thank you!

## Proposed Slate of Officers for Term beginning February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017

We are happy to announce the following slate of officers to be voted on at the next club meeting on Sunday November 13, 2016, 3pm >>Spring Creek BBQ in Addison.

President – Russ and Anne Nejd  
1<sup>st</sup> VP – Doug and Jan Bergesen  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP – Bob and Terri Pitts  
Treasurer – Niven and Sara Mulvin  
Secretary – Dan and Kathy Mosher

Thank you for serving our favorite activity. We look forward to another great year of dancing and friendship.

A "Kold and Hot Kompres Reusable" was left at the salads part of the foods table last Friday night. If it is yours, please contact the Hamms to have it returned to you.

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Report – 9 October 2016

Jim & Knarik Bondi

### RECENT ACTIVITY -- DANCING/TRAINING

#### Our Square + Round Dance – Double Deal

##### *Friday 14 October – Swinging Stars – “Oktoberfest”*

142 total dancers, 71 visitors and 71 Swinging Stars, enjoyed our successful “Oktoberfest” Friday evening in Plano. We had wisely anticipated this large turnout and had cafeteria rented and ready for diners along with our usual gymnasium dance hall. We offered our guests a fantastic spread of great sausage/wurst, sour kraut, German-style potato salad, a myriad of other salads, plus a great set of desserts. Essentially all of it was eagerly consumed by hungry diners when not dancing. When dancing, guests were first treated to 45 minutes of great early rounds by club cuer, Walter Brewer, followed later by equally entertaining intermittent rounds. Rhythms cued included 2-step, slow 2 step, waltz, foxtrot, bolero, cha, and rhumba. Dancers were also treated by club caller, Wayne Baldwin, to 15 minutes of interesting early Plus, followed by 2 hours of well-balanced intermittent squares. The second tip was also plus dancing. Finally the evening was topped with 15 extra minutes of very lively Hot Hash. All attendees had a great time, with many applauding our efforts via positive feedback as they left.

#### Square + Round Dance

##### *Saturday 15 October – Rebel Rousers – “Oktoberfest”*

13 Swinging Stars journeyed to Richardson Saturday evening to dance with our friends, the Rebel Rousers, at their “Oktoberfest” pre-Round-Up dance. Club cuer, Christine Hixson, cued an excellent half-hour of early rounds as well as great intermittent rounds afterward as the evening progressed. As always, Christine offered a wide variety of rhythms and phases that kept round dancers fully engaged while practicing their craft. For their part, club caller, Mike Bramlett, and special guest caller, Dan Nordbye, teamed up for a great 30 minutes of early Plus followed by a 150 minute stretch of entertaining, intermittent squares thereafter. The way that Mike and his long-time friend, Dan, interact and “play off” each other helps bring out the best in both, something obvious to and appreciated by all square dancers present. Our host’s “Oktoberfest” food spread included some great dogs/wurst, kraut, and potato salad. A big thank you to these Swinging Stars attendees: P. Amy, Bondis, Estes, Evantos, Hamms, Harris, and Smith/Hardin.

## 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](mailto: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 8 banners captured from other clubs. On the flip side, other clubs currently hold 3 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
Rebel Rousers	15-Oct-2016
Triangle Square	15-Jul-2016
Log Cabin Swingers	07-May-2016
Cotton Pickin Squares	23-Apr-2016
Solitaires	02-Apr-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
Texas Reelers	14-Oct-2016
Tri City Promenaders	23-Sep-2016
Trail Blazers	24-Jun-2016

## UPCOMING ACTIVITY -- DANCING/TRAINING OF INTEREST

### “A” Dance + All-Plus Dance

#### *Wednesday 19 October – Plus 4s*

Caller: Charles Quisenberry

“A” Dance: 6:15 – 7:30

Plus Dance: 7:30

Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

12411 Templeton Trail, Farmers Branch, TX

### “A” Dance

#### *Thursday 20 October – Model As*

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

“A”: 7:00

Churchill Way Center

6906 Churchill Way (at Hillcrest), Dallas, TX

### Square + Round Dance

#### *Friday 21 October – Texas Reelers – “National Apple Day”*

Caller: Dave Vieira (guest)

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

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

Richardson Senior Center

820 W. Arapaho Rd., Richardson TX 75080

## Square + Round Dance

### *Saturday 22 October – Tri-City Promenaders – “Oktoberfest”*

Caller: Paul Kinsey

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

***Focus: Retrieve our banner AND Complete our 640 Club Visitations patch!***

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

Brookside Center

1244 Brookside Drive, Hurst TX 76053

## UPCOMING ACTIVITY -- OTHER

### Ladies Luncheon

#### *Wednesday 19 October, 11:30 AM – “First Watch” (Plano)*

Maryann Starrett has volunteered to be hostess for the October Ladies Luncheon at 11:30 AM on Wednesday October 19<sup>th</sup> at “First Watch,” located at 3131 Custer Road in Plano. The restaurant was previously called “The Egg & I.” “First Watch” serves breakfast & lunch. You can see some of the menu at [www.firstwatch.com](http://www.firstwatch.com) (click on “MENU”). Only some of the available things are shown but Frank and Maryann went on Sunday and were pleasantly surprised that his sandwich was huge and came with soup or salad for around \$8.95. She also remembers seeing someone with 2 huge pancakes and fruit that looked really good and could be shared. Please let Maryann Starrett know by Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> at [fmstar@swbell.net](mailto:fmstar@swbell.net) or 214-387-4799 if you plan to attend. We look forward to seeing all the ladies of the Swinging Stars attend.

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## Refreshments Duty and Information

October 28: Closed due to NORTEX Cavalcade

November 11: **Trujillo**, Rose, Deluke, Halvorson

November 25: Closed due to Thanksgiving Holiday

December 9: **Evanto**, Bondi, Mosher, Stuart

December 22: Closed due to Holiday Season

Please do not purchase any staple items (plates, cups, napkins, forks, etc, etc.) without first checking with the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Presidents [Russ and Ann Nejd] to see if they are already in inventory.

Thank you all for serving on our Refreshment Team

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

October 28, 2016 – Swinging Stars Dance cancelled to support Callers Cavalcade

October 28 - 30, 2016 – Callers Cavalcade and NORTEX Oktoberfest (Round-UP)

November 13, 2016 – Swinging Stars Quarterly meeting. Mark your calendars now

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)

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Check out and Like our Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Swinging-Stars-Square-Round-Dance-Club/278689705592854>

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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 Lucy Hamm, and you can email her at [llhamm45@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:president@swingingstars.org)**

**Phone: 972-618-3640**

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

# Swinging Stars



## Saluting All Veterans

Showing Our Appreciation  
For Your Service



**Friday, November 11, 2016**

Caller: Wayne Baldwin

Guest Cuer: JL Pelton

Sq. Workshop: 7:00 PM

Plus Dancing: 7:45 PM

Grand March: 8:00 PM

Hot Hash after the last tip

Shepard Elementary School 1000 Wilson Dr. Plano

Dancers Under 18 dance free when accompanied by paying adults

Refreshments Banners Honey Pot Fun Dancing



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For Info: 972-834-3097 or [president@swingingstars.org](mailto:president@swingingstars.org)

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