



# Swinging Stars

## Square and Round Dance Club

*Newsletter for April 29, 2012*

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### **LOST AND FOUND**

Found a black and gray sweater with black horizontal stripes, after the dance Friday night. It was left on the first chair on the right side of the gym. If it is yours or you know who it belongs to contact Lorraine to claim it.

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### **Swinging Stars Regular Business Meeting**

**Sunday May 6th.** Swinging Stars Club Meeting. The meeting will start 3:00 pm at the Paesanio's Italian Restaurant, 508 14th Street Plano. Spring Creek Barbeque our regular meeting site was not available. You can check out the Paesanio's Restaurant by going to: <http://www.paesanosrestaurant.net/index.html>

When we arrive at 3:00 they will take our orders and serve our drinks and salads. Later I will inform them that there is about 15 minutes left to the meeting and they can start getting ready to begin serving us. All members are encouraged to attend. You won't want to miss this meeting we will be discussing several topics important to the club. This meeting will also have election of the officers for the second half of the year. Please plan to attend. You pay your dues and have a right to be heard.

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### **Swinging Stars Nominations For The Next Six-Month Term**

According to our Constitution and By-Laws we are to have an election of officers for the six-month period term beginning August 1, at the Business meeting to be held in May.

The Nominations Committee have met and have a slate of officers for this next six-month term. Nominations for office shall be made by the Nominating Committee or from the floor if the nominee has signified a willingness to serve.

The Nominating Committee has nominated the following:

President, Dave and Lorraine Burson  
1st Vice-President, Ralph and Lucy Hamm  
2nd Vice-President, Deckard and Peggy Pharr  
Secretary, James and Judy Ross  
Treasurer, Jim and Debbie Reid

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### **INFORMATION YOU NEED TO REMEMBER**

#### **CHANGE IN DANCE LOCATION:**

Be sure to take notice that the May 25th dance will be held at the Wilson Middle School cafeteria. Wilson Middle School is located at the corner of Custer and Grandview Dr. Next door to Shepard Elementary. **This is one time only.** The Shepard Elementary School is not available for that night. This is also our advertised Proud To Be An American theme dance.

**To enter the school.** From Custer enter the parking lot on the north side of the school. Go to the center of the building and enter the building thru the double doors that are facing north.

### **TEXAS REELERS DANCE CANCELED:**

For those of you that like to frequently dance at the Texas Reelers, they have canceled their June 1st dance.

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## **Report Form The NORTEX Meeting**

Thank you to our delegates for attending, the Trujillos and the Bursons and also Peggy Amy for attending, as she is the NORTEX Friendship/Travel Chairman.

- 73 Delegates + 7 Past Presidents = 80 Voting
- NTCA Report
  - Dangle Dance Game
    - 18 Callers and Cuers Participating
    - Collect dangles from ALL participating callers and cuers by November 25, 2012
    - To qualify for a Free Dangle Dinner and Dance which will be held on December 16, 2012 at Senter Park in Irving.
    - List of Callers and Cuers are at:  
<http://www.squaredancing.com/ntca/pdf/Dangle%20Dance%20Callers.pdf>
  - Jay & Marti Miller Appreciation Dance Swingtime - Sunday September 23
  - An Introduction to Square Dancing Free Dance for prospective new dancers Sunday, Aug. 19th, 2012 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm Senter Park East 228 Chamberlain Irving, TX
- Teen Scholarship Report
  - Several Teen Scholarship Dances were held
  - Teen Scholarship Account has: \$25,266.30
  - Scholarship Award YTD \$2,000.00
  - Have received one application.
- NORTEX Financial Report as of March 31, 2012
  - Total Current Assets: \$111,655.66
  - Total Income YTD: \$19,642.84
  - Total Expenses: \$34,462.12
  - Net Income (Loss): (\$14,819.28)
- NORTEX Budget 2012 – 2013
  - Total Revenue: \$48,750
  - Total Expenses: \$49,890
- Election of NORTEX Officers for the year 2012-2013
  - President Kevin & Christine Hadley
  - Secretary John & Shirley Currie
  - Treasurer Scott & Karen McGinney
  - Area Vice Presidents:
    - Debbie Anderson
    - CB & Clarice Davis
    - Tom & Vicki Evanto
    - Ray & Vicki Spray
    - Sam & May Stephens
    - Diane Wright
- NORTEX Installation and Dance – Sunday June 3 – Free to all NORTEX members

- NORTEX Delegates voted to suspend Rule 11 for this year so that NORTEX could pay for the Liability Insurance for this year. (\$3,250)
- 2012 Round-Up will be held at the Sterling Hotel on October 27.
- 2012 Round-Up Chairman, Sam and Mary Stephens, presented a Style Show and gave a report.
  - Style Show pictures on NORTEX website:  
[http://www.nortex.org/2012RU\\_styleshow.html](http://www.nortex.org/2012RU_styleshow.html)
  - The theme is "Let's do it ... Have a Ball"
  - A new venue for this year will be the Sterling Hotel 1055 Regal Row, Dallas
  - The Pre Round-Up Dances will be called "Let's Do It" Dances.
  - The staff caller will be Mike and D' Bramlett, and
  - The staff cuer will be Christine and Theron Hixson.
  - The featured caller will be Hunter Keller from Montana.
  - Early Registration (Pay by mail) postmarked no later than 10/1/2012
  - Pay by mail Price: Caller's Cavalcade \$5 per Person, Round-Up \$10 per Person
  - Round-Up Tickets sold by Round-Up Committee: \$12 per Person
  - Round-Up Tickets sold at the door: \$15 per Person

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## EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK:


**PLUS LESSONS:** Wednesday April 25th. All the plus students are doing great and are learning how to do plus with a little DBD plus thrown in. Wayne is doing a wonderful job teaching the lessons and everyone is having fun learning all the plus calls. They seem to be doing exceptionally well doing the singing calls at the end of the lessons. Wayne said that they have one more week of learning new calls and that the rest of the lessons will be review, review and more review. It is important that all students attend all the remaining lessons to get the most benefit from the lessons. It is also important that the students go dancing where they can practice their plus skills. Just attending the mainstream dances that have one or two plus tips, isn't going to do it. I know of two places that you can attend plus dances. Plus 4's on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of every month and Friendship Plus on 2nd and 4 Mondays of every month. We also want to thank all the angels that come to help with the plus lessons. Thank you to the Giffords, Delukes, Starrets, Rosses, P Amy and Bursons for helping this past week. Your time is greatly appreciated. Please let Lorraine know if you if you are planning to attend the lessons. It will help to know how many are coming so we can be sure we have enough angels to fill the squares and no students will have to sit out.

**Swinging Stars Club Dance:** Friday, April 27th. Let's Have A Rain Dance! Caller Wayne Baldwin and Cuer John Brewer. Although we didn't get any rain we did have fun dancing. It was really nice to see Louise and Jack Duncan and also Rita Putnam and Tim Heintz. Louise, Jack and Rita are still on the mend and can't dance yet. Hopeful they will be back in full swing before long. Thank you to the Refreshments Committee; Hennebergers, Whipple's, Bullocks, and Lewises for the yummy refreshments. We had 8 visitors and 90 Swinging Stars for a total of 98 attending the dance.

**Dance of Interest:** Saturday, April 28th. Tri-City Promenaders, Swinging Spring Dance and Hamburger Cookout. Caller Paul Kinsey, Cuer Chris Farabaugh. Yeah, what a good turnout we had. We had 20 Swinging Stars show up in Hurst to dance and have hamburgers with all the fixin's. We captured their banner. We were also able to get another signature toward our 80th visitation awards patch. We also got to collect more of the danglers for the Dangle Dance game. Thank you to P Amy, C Humphries, (they made a cute couple) Bursons, Hamms, Hawkins, Maiers, Pharrs, Pitts, Roses, J Smith/M Hardin and Stuarts for attending.

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## COMING EVENTS

**Official Visitation:** Friday, May 4th. Kissin Kuzzins' 39th Anniversary Cuatro de Mayo Dance. Caller Wayne Baldwin, Cuer JL Pelton. Early Rounds 7:30. Grand March 8:00. Garland Senior Center. 600 Ave. A, Garland. Let's wear our **Aqua**.  (Turquoise) Just so you will know, if you don't have anything this color, don't let that make you stay home. Go anyway. We really want you to go dancing with the club. PLEASE let me know if you are planning to attend by Wednesday so I can call them with the head count.

**Dance of Interest:** Saturday, May 5th. Log Cabin Swingers 37th Anniversary Dance. Caller Mike Bramlett and Cuer John Brewer. Food served at 6:00, Early Rounds 7:00, Dance 7:30--9:30. The Promenade Hall is located on Hwy 247 Tool, Texas. I need a head count by Thursday the 3rd.

**Swinging Stars Club Dance:** Caller Wayne Baldwin and Cuer John Brewer. DBD Workshop at 7:30 and Square Dancing starts at 8:00. All Swinging Stars are invited to the after party at Mama's Pizza, 2130 West Parker immediately following the dance.

**Dance of Interest:** Saturday, May 12th. Dixie Chainers Olde Tyme Squares. I promise you will have a good time square dancing the way they did in the 50's. Don't worry that you will not know how. The caller, Vernon Jones will teach each dance before each tip. Jack von der Heide will also be giving some back ground history of the Round dancing cues. Early rounds 7:00. Squares 7:30. Be sure you are not late. They start earlier than other clubs. They dance at the Farmers Branch Senior Center. 14055 Dennis Rd. at Valwood Valwood. Please let me know in advance if you are going. You can read their ad on page 12 of the May Promenade.

**Dance of Interest:** Friday, May 18th Texas Reelers Regular Dance. Caller Mike Bramlett and Cuer Jack von der Heide. Early Rounds 7:30. Squares 8:00. Richardson Senior Center. 820 W.Arapaho

**Official Visitation:** May, 19th. Trail Blazers 42nd Anniversary. Gerry Gilbreath will be the caller. They are going to have a violinist, Ted Martin, who is a member of their club, doing a special with their Cuer Jack Kenny. Early Rounds at 6:30 workshop at 7:30 and Grand March at 8:00. They dance at the Swingtime Center. Loop 820 at Anglin, Fort Worth. If you have **Royal Blue** please wear it. If you don't have anything this color, don't let that make you stay home. Go anyway. We really want you to go dancing with the club. Please let me know if you are planning to go.

**Ladies Luncheon:** Tuesday, May 22nd. Peggy Pharr is the hosting the luncheon this month. She has chosen Taste of Home in Wylie. We have been there before and it was very delightful place for our luncheon. The address is 302 North Ballard Ave. Wylie Tex. You can check out Taste of Home in Wylie by going to [www.tasteofhomewylie.com](http://www.tasteofhomewylie.com). When I read the menu everything sounds so yummy. I think it is going to be hard to decide what to eat. Please Email Peggy Pharr by May 21st at [pjp0901@juno.com](mailto:pjp0901@juno.com) and let her know you are planning to attend . ALL Swinging Star Ladies are invited to attend.



### **Swinging Stars Club Dance:** Friday, May 25th. Proud To Be An American!

Caller Wayne Baldwin and Cuer John Brewer. Early Rounds at 7:30 and Square Dancing starts at 8:00. As you have been reading in previous newsletters this dance is going to be at the Wilson Middle School cafeteria. Wilson Middle school is located at the corner of Custer and Grandview Dr. Next door to Shepard Elementary. This is one time only. The Shepard Elementary School is not available for that night.

**To enter the school.** From Custer enter the parking lot on the north side of the school. Go to the center of the building and enter the building thru the double doors that are facing north.

Read our ad on page 16 of the May Promenade. All Swinging Stars are invited to the after party at Mama's Pizza, 2130 West Parker immediately following the dance. Please wear **Red**, White and **Blue**.



Monday, May 28th.

CASUL Parking Lot Update Benefit Dance and Annual Memorial Day Dance.

Caller Rick Smith and Cuer Jack Kenny

Early Rounds at 7:00. Dance 7:30 to 9:30.

Dave has put the flyer on our Web site [www.swingingstars.org](http://www.swingingstars.org) and click on fliers. The ad is not in the Promenade. You can dress casual if you wish. This dance is for everyone that enjoys dancing at the Swingtime Center and would like to contribute to the up keep of the facility. The address is Loop 820 at Anglin, Fort Worth.

**Official Visitation:** Saturday, June 2nd. Texoma Squares 60th Anniversary Dance.

Caller Wayne Baldwin. Cuer Patti Wheelington.

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

The address is 929 Desvoignes Denison, Tex. Come on and go it isn't to far! We carpool and it is fun. Please let me know if you are planning to attend. Please wear **Purple** if you have it. If you don't have anything this color, don't let that make you stay home. Go anyway. We really want you to go dancing with the club. You can read their ad on Page 24 of the May Promenade.

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## **SAVE THESE DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR**



**Sunday, June 24th. Baldwin's Annual Fish Fry.** This is one of the highlights of the year for the Swinging Stars. Wayne and Jodie invite the whole club to come to their home to eat all the fish you can. Wayne, Charlie Harris, Chuck Morse and sometimes Joe Lewis, spend every Wednesday fishing, so that we can have this great party. So please plan to attend.

**Starting Tuesday, August 28th.** Wayne Baldwin and the Swinging Stars along with the Plano Parks and Rec., will be sponsoring Mainstream Square Dance Lessons. Carpenter Park Rec. Center. 6701 Coit Rd. Plano. Start thinking of all the friends that you would like to be dancing with us and invite them to try.

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## Official Club Dress

I am told that there is a 2 months wait for this dress. If you are going to order one it would be a good idea to go ahead and order one now.

If you don't want to buy this dress, you can make or have made, something similar. It is also ok to wear something this color or something close to the color. It is just nice when we have an official visitation to show our spirit in our club colors.

Just so you will know, if you don't have anything this color, don't let that make you stay home. Go anyway. We really want you to go dancing with the club.

I know several of our Lady Stars have the Official Club Dress. I also know that Lady Stars have expressed an interest if they could get one. Yes you can. You can order the skirt and blouse from Square Up Fashions Inc. The Skirt is style Fiesta #636, color is aqua, and the Blouse is style Fiesta #136R, color aqua. The Web address is: [www.squareupfashions.com](http://www.squareupfashions.com). Phone is 1-800-824-4222. When you go online you will be able to click on the skirt and blouse and see them there.

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## LOG CABIN SWINGERS DOUBLE HEADER WEEKEND

I am wondering if you are interested in going to this weekend with us. I have had some already say they would like to go. This would also be a good weekend for new plus dancers to get a little practice at the Saturday afternoon Plus Dance. There are several motels in the area where you can stay. Dave and I usually stay at the Best Western in Gun Barrel City. It is close by. Or if you have a RV there is a RV campground on the Promenade Hall Grounds, home to the Log Cabin Swingers.

Go to our Web site [www.swingingstars.org](http://www.swingingstars.org) and click on Weekends.

### Log Cabin Swingers Weekend. June 15th and 16th

Would you like to schedule a square dance weekend to Log Cabin Swingers in Tool, TX?

This weekend is a pay as you go.

**Friday night** Dinner served at 6:00 to 6:45,

Early rounds at 7:00 and Square dancing at 7:30 to 9:30...\$8.00.

**Saturday morning** Round Dance at 10:00 to 11:30.....\$2.00

**Saturday afternoon** Plus Dance at 1:00 to 3:00.....\$3.00

**Saturday night** Dinner served at 6:00 to 6:45,

Early rounds at 7:00 and Square dancing 7:30 to 9:30 ..\$8.00.

All prices are per person

**Friday, June 15th** will have Jon Jones and Deborah Carrol-Jones calling Mainstream with announced Plus tips. Sonny Ezelle will be Cueing the Rounds. Early Rounds will start at 7:00 Square Dancing will start at 7:30.

**Sat. June 16th** will have a Round Dance from 10 to 11:30 am with Sonny Ezelle. The caller on Sat. is Wade Driver. He will have an afternoon Plus Dance from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. The Saturday night dance will be Mainstream with announced Plus tips. Early rounds 7:00 and square dance at 7:30 to 9:30.

Food will be served both nights from 6:00 to 6:45.

Be sure to pick up a flyer for this weekend at our next club dance. Or go to our Web site [www.swingingstars.org](http://www.swingingstars.org) and click on **Weekends**.

## 18th Annual Chaparral Evening in Paris Dance. August 31st and September 1st.

**FOR THE PLUS DANCERS:** We have 8 couples say they are going. I hope we can get more.

I am organizing a weekend trip to the 18th Annual Chaparral Evening in Paris August 31st and September 1st. If you have attended this dance, you can remember all the fun we had dancing to these 5 great callers: Ken Bower, Marshal Flippo, Jon and Deborah Carrol Jones, and Gary Shoemake. All are international callers that go all over the world calling. Round dancing will be to Sonny Ezelle. There is a special bonus for attending this dance for the club. If we get 3 squares to attend we can earn \$100 for the club's treasury. Add to that when you spend money in Paris, you save all your receipts, sign your name on them and throw them into a big bucket. After the Saturday night dance there is an After Party where they have refreshments, some very funny skits, and lots and lots of prizes. They draw the receipts and call out the name on the receipt. If they call your name, you win a very nice gift donated by the merchants that are members of the Paris Chamber of Commerce. Be sure to pick up a flyer for this weekend at our next club dance. Or go to our Web site [www.swingingstars.org](http://www.swingingstars.org) and click on Weekends.

**Some have already said that they would like to attend. You can go ahead and get registered. When you send your registration, be sure to say you are with the Swinging Stars, Lorraine's group. If you don't tell them when you register they won't give us the credit toward our \$100. If we happen to get 12 couples we will get \$100 for treasury. If not, we will have a good time. Be sure to let me (Lorraine) know that you are going, I would like to keep track of how many are going.**

**Please let me know what you think.**

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

May 25	Proud To Be An American
June 8	New Dancer Dance and A Good Old Summertime Picnic
July 27	Beach Party
August 24	Back to school Ice Cream Social
September 28	Let's Do It: An International World Ball
October 12	Tailgate Party
November 9	Chili Cook Off
December 14	Toys and Books

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### Refreshment Schedule – thru June 2012

**May 11** ----- **Starrett**, Perrott, Ryder, Kendrick\*

**May 25** ----- **McGuire**, Morse, Humphrey\*, Sherman\*

**June 8** ----- **Hardin/Smith**, Nejd, Evanto, Maier\*

**June 22** ----- **Trujillo**, Piziali, Jimison, Row\*

Those with a \* next to their name should not be in the Leader position until further notice.

Lead couple is first name on the list. This 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](mailto: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](mailto:rehamm45@gmail.com) for supplies prior to purchasing by Monday prior to club dance. We may already have what you need.
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## Out of Town and Weekend Dances:

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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