



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for May 11, 2014

We had a great dance Friday night. Our members turned out in force – 86 Swinging Stars were there. There were four visitors. One of our visitors was from Delaware, and we gave him an “I danced with the Swinging Stars of Plano” dangle. Thanks to Wayne for a great workshop and tips, and thanks to Walter for cuing some wonderful round dances and including several boleros and two steps for our new round dancers. It was great to see Russ and Anne Nejdil back after several weeks of absence following Anne’s knee surgery.

We apologize for failing to include the past week’s birthdays in last week’s newsletter. We did wish those who had birthdays last week happy birthday at the dance and sang Happy Birthday for Betty Wheaton (May 5), Dan Mosher (May 6), Debbie Sherrell (May 6), Tommy Meyer (May 8), Janelle Row (May 9), Wayne Baldwin (May 10), and Fran Bivins (May 10). (Not all were there.)

What a terrific turnout we had for the visitation on Saturday night. Twenty-seven of us made the trip all the way to Greenville for the Cotton Pickin’ Squares’ anniversary dance. Now that’s enthusiasm! It was great to see Knarik Bondi back with us after her long stay in California to help her sister.

Be sure to sign up for the side dish or drink you will bring to the Baldwin’s fish fry on June 8. Jodie will have the sign-up sheet at our May 23 dance (last dance before the fish fry), or you may sign up by calling Jodie at [972-562-2174](tel:972-562-2174) or by e-mail at jodie.baldwin@flash.net in lieu of signing up at a dance.

The club general membership meeting is Sunday at 3:00PM. We’ll meet at Spring Creek Barbeque, 270 North Central Expressway (U.S. 75) in Richardson. We’ll get the agenda to you by mid-week. Be sure to bring your Spring Creek 2 for 1 coupon and enjoy some good barbeque and fellowship with friends following the meeting. See you there!

Ralph and Lucy

Happening This Week

Tuesday, May 13 – Two step lesson.

Friday, May 16 – Visit to Kissin’ Kuzzins; see details in Coming Events below.

Saturday, May 17 – Visit to Buttons and Bows; see details in Coming Events below.

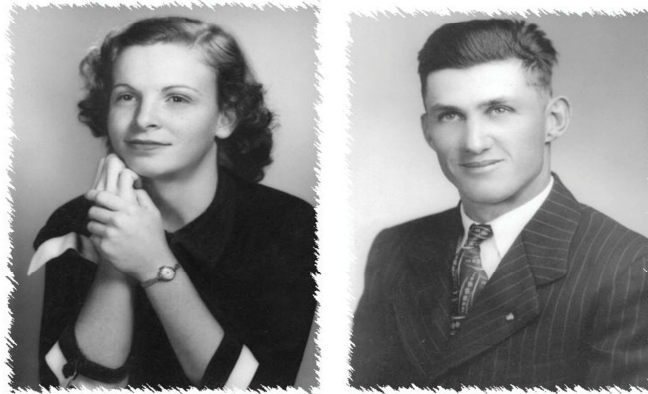
Sunday, May 18 – Swinging Stars general membership meeting; 3:00PM

Announcements

Ladies Luncheon: May 20, 11:30AM, Posados Mexican Café, 3421 N. Central Expressway, Plano. **RSVP by Sunday, May 18 to Mary Hardin at mrhardin39@gmail.com or 214-632-4230.**

The children of Deckard and Peggy Pharr invite all Swinging Stars to a reception honoring Deckard and Peggy's 60th (WOW!) wedding anniversary. Here is your invitation:

60 Years Ago...



...our parents were married and that was the beginning of our wonderful family.

Because you have played such an important part in their lives please join us for a

*60th Wedding Anniversary Reception
in honor of
Deckard and Peggy Pharr*

*Sunday, June 1, 2014
2:00 to 5:00 p.m.*

*Old Nevada High School Gym
(Cottonwood Creek Baptist Church Gym)
FM 6 and Warren Street
Nevada, Texas*

*The Children of Deckard and Peggy Pharr
Michael, Machele, Rachelle, Dierdre*

*** * * From Your 2nd VPs * * ***

For those plus dancers looking for a great time and extra challenge, Monday, May 12, Friendship Plus will have Mike Bramlett calling squares at the Richardson Senior Center (7:00 pm dance).

Our current Swinging Star 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
Buttons and Bows	1-Feb-14
Cotton Pickin' Squares	10-May-14
Decatur 8'ers	5-Oct-13
Diamond Jubileers	8-Mar-14
Dixie Chainers	22-Mar-14
Kissin' Kuzzins	21-Feb-14
Log Cabin Swingers	4-May-13
North Star 8	09-Feb-13
Rebel Rousers	15-Feb-14
Solitaires	04-Jan-14
Texas Reelers	04-Apr-14
Texoma Squares	01-Jun-13
Tri-City Promenaders	26-Jan-13

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Lone Star Solos	28-Feb-14

*** * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * ***

Plus 4s, Wednesday, May 7th

Twenty-one Swinging Stars visited the Plus 4s Wednesday in Farmers Branch. Squares were called by club caller Charles Quisenberry ("Quiz"). The Plus 4s is a popular dancing venue for many Swinging Stars and plus dancers looking to improve their skills in general. Quiz provided a challenging, educational, and fun environment. Swinging Stars attending were Amys, Bergesens, J. Bondi, Bullocks, Delukes, Evantos, Hawkins, Kilejians, Lewises, Sees, and Shermans.

Official, Cotton Pickin' Squares, Saturday, May 10th

Twenty-seven Swinging Stars visited the Cotton Pickin' Squares for their 20th Anniversary on Saturday in Greenville. Squares were called by Texas Hall of Fame caller Mike Bramlett, and rounds were cued by Christine Hixson. The theme of the dance was "Picnic in the Cotton Patch". Some of the many highlights of the evening was Mike's signature "Fisherman's Luck" accompanied by his wife D', and when he had all the dancers strike an Elvis pose (for YouTube?). Christine provided a varied mix of rounds to cater to a broad experience level for the round dancers. Swinging Stars captured their banner, and those attending were Amys, Bergesens, Bondis, Covingtons, J. Duncan, Esteps, Evantos, Fousts, Halvorsons, Hamms, Pitts, Sees, Sherrills, and Underwoods.

* * * COMING EVENTS * * *

Of Interest, Kissin' Kuzzins, Friday, May 16th

Location: Garland Sr. Activity Center (600 Avenue A, Garland, TX)
Time: Early rounds – 7:00PM / Workshop – 7:30PM/ grand march – 8:00PM
Callers: Wayne Baldwin
Cuer: J. L. Pelton

Of Interest, Buttons and Bows, Saturday, May 17th

Location: Senter Park East Rec Center (228 Chamberlain, Irving, TX)
Website: <http://www.buttonsandbowsirving.com/>
Time: Early rounds – 7:00PM / Workshop – 7:30PM/ grand march – 8:00PM
Callers: Barry Hendricks
Cuer: Charles Crockett
Theme: Beach Party
Notes: Double Deal

Ladies Luncheon, Tuesday, May 20th

Location: Pasados Mexican Café (3421 North Central Expressway, Plano, TX)
Website: <http://yelp.com/biz/posados-cafe-plano-2>
Time: 11:30am
Hostess: Mary Hardin (mrhardin39@gmail.com or 214-632-4230)
Notes: Let Mary know by May 18th if you plan to go

Refreshments Duty and Information

May 23, 2014	Nejdl, Bergesen, Dennison, Loxsom
June 13, 2014	McGuire, Henneberger, Amy, Loven
June 27, 2014	Row, Perrott, Smith/Hardin, Whitaker
July 11, 2014	Deluke, Harris, Hursey, Pharr
July 25, 2014	Meyer, Mosher, Bivins, Stuart
August 8, 2014	Evanto, McClure, Estep, Burson
August 22, 2014	Feldman, Whipple, Gifford, Trujillo

Thank you all for serving on our Refreshment Team!

Upcoming Advertised Swinging Stars Theme Dances

SWINGING STARS



Salute The Troops

Friday, May 23, 2014

Swinging Stars

SHOW YOUR TEAM COLORS



Caller 
Wayne Baldwin

Friday, June 13

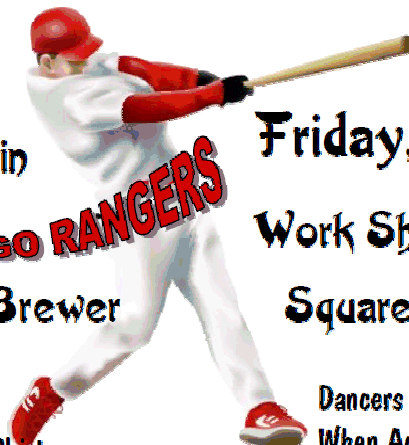
 Cuer **GO RANGERS**
Walter Brewer

Work Shop 7:00

Square Up 8:00

Show Your Team
Spirit by Wearing
Your Favorite Team's Shirt
OR Dress Casual for Summer

Dancers Under 18 Free
When Accompanied
By An Adult



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

Sunday, May 18, 3:00PM – Swinging Stars general membership meeting

Sunday, June 8 – Annual Fish Fry at the Baldwins

Tuesday, June 10 – Plus lessons begin

June 12 – 15, 2014 – 52nd Texas State Square and Round Dance Festival, Tyler, TX – preregistration form:

www.squaredancetx.com/fest_reg_order.html

June 25 - 28, 2014 – 63rd National Square Dance Convention, Little Rock, AR – see www.63nsdc.com for info

Friday, September 26 – Chili Cook-Off/Double Deal Dance

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

Friday, January 23, 2015 – Swinging Stars 40th Anniversary Dance

For information about weekend dances, go to our Web Page www.swingingstars.org and click on Weekends.

Remember our Sunshine person is Debbie Piziali, and you can email her at 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

Swinging Stars President

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