



# Swinging Stars

## Square and Round Dance Club

### *Newsletter for May 18, 2014*

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Thanks to all of you who came to the club meeting this afternoon. We really appreciate your being there, and we appreciate the enthusiastic participation of all who attended. Several Swinging Stars couples who could be depended on to be at the club meetings had grandchildren graduating from schools and colleges near and far this weekend, and we were seriously concerned about getting a quorum.

We'll send you the minutes of the meeting when they are finalized, but we'd like to mention a few items from the meeting now:

- ◆ All current club officers have agreed to continue in their current positions for the next six month term from August 2014 thru January 2015 and were elected to do so.
- ◆ Charlie and Linda Harris have agreed to chair the nominating committee for officers to serve beginning February 1, 2015. If you would like to serve in a club officer position, please contact them. If a member of the nominating committee contacts you, please give your most serious consideration to serving your club in this important way.
- ◆ Plus lessons start June 10. As of today, only four dancers have registered for the Plano Parks and Recreation class. If you plan to take plus lessons, please register now.
- ◆ We will observe a summer casual period at our dances during June, July, and August. During that period feel free to dress casually and comfortably for the heat.

Memorial Day is just around the corner, and this Friday we will recognize those who have given their lives in defense of America, and we will recognize our veterans and service members. Please wear attire containing red, white, and blue if you have it. Round dancers, be sure to get there at 7:00PM for your hour of early rounds.

Ralph and Lucy

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### **Happening This Week**

Tuesday, May 20 – Ladies luncheon; two step lesson.

Friday, May 23 – Club dance – Salute the Troops; wear your **red, white, and blue**.

Saturday, May 24 – Visit to Dixie Chainers; see details in Coming Events below.

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# Announcements

**Plus Lessons:** Wayne will be giving plus lessons from 7:15PM to 9:15PM on Tuesdays beginning June 10 and ending August 12. The lessons are a course of Plano Parks and Recreation and will be in "our" room at Carpenter Rec Center. Cost is \$45 per person. **You can register now** – see registration at <http://swingingstars.org>. Flyers with complete information will be available at our club dances. Jodie will have a sign-up sheet at future club dances for a limited number of angels at each lesson. Since plus students are all experienced dancers, the primary need for angels is to fill squares. If you are possibly considering being an angel in the hope of improving your plus skills, we strongly recommend that you enroll in the course instead.

**If you haven't signed up for the side dish or drink you will bring to the Baldwin's fish fry on June 8**, be sure to do so at the dance on Friday or contact Jodie at [972-562-2174](tel:972-562-2174) or by e-mail at [jodie.baldwin@flash.net](mailto:jodie.baldwin@flash.net) in lieu of signing up at a dance.

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

For those plus dancers looking for a great time and extra challenge, Wednesday, May 21, Plus 4s will have Charles Quisenberry calling squares at Chapel Hill United Methodist Church, 12411 Templeton Tr, Farmers Branch, TX (7:30 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 \* \* \*

### **Kissin' Kuzzins, Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**

Twenty-six of our dancers visited the Kissin' Kuzzins Friday night. Charles Quisenberry filled in for Wayne while the Baldwins travelled to see a grandchild graduate. Quiz made it a really fun dance, as he always does. After his workshop, all who attended knew how to scoot back from any position, and mainstream dancers had learned how to dance ping-pong circulate. The square tips were fast-paced and entertaining. JL Pelton cued a great program of rounds which included a number of boleros and two-steps which our newer round dancers enjoyed. We already had the Kuzzins banner, but we heard they're coming to get it this Friday! Swinging Stars attending were P. Amy, the Bivens, Bondis, Bursons, T. Evanto, the Feldmans, Giffords, Halvorsons, Hamms, Kerns, Perrotts, Pitts, Sobotkas, and Underwoods.

### **Of Interest, Buttons and Bows, Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>**

Eight Swinging Stars made their way to the Buttons and Bows beach party Saturday night for hot dogs and fun. Barry Hendricks called the squares, and Charles Crockett cued the rounds. Swinging Stars attending were J. Duncan/Mary Ann Cagle (our newest Swinging Star – welcome to the club, Mary Ann), the Bursons, Pitts, and Sherrells.

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

### **Ladies Luncheon, Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>**

Location: Posados 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](mailto:mrhardin39@gmail.com) or 214-632-4230)

### **Swinging Stars Club Dance, Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Location: Shepard Elementary School, 1000 Wilson Dr, Plano, TX  
Time: Early rounds – 7:00PM / square up – 8:00PM  
Caller: Wayne Baldwin  
Cuer: Walter Brewer  
Theme: Salute the Troops – patriotic attire (red, white and blue) is encouraged

### **Of Interest, Dixie Chainers, Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup>**

Location: Senior Center, 14055 Dennis (at Valwood), Farmers Branch, TX  
Time: Early rounds – 7:00PM / **grand march – 7:30PM**  
Caller: Vernon Jones  
Cuer: Jack von der Heide

### **Of Interest, Annual Memorial Day Dance, Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup>**

Location: Swingtime Center (5100 S.E. Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX)  
Time: Early rounds – 6:30PM / dance – 7:30PM  
Caller: Rick Smith  
Cuer: JL Pelton

### **Official, Circle I, Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup>**

Location: Senter Park Recreation Center (901 Senter Rd, Irving, TX)  
Website: [www.circlei.org](http://www.circlei.org)  
Time: Early rounds – 7:00PM / grand march – 8:00PM  
Callers: Mike Bramlett, Ray Savell  
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh  
Theme: Spring Brings May Flowers  
Notes: 62<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary, Double Deal

### **Of Interest, Roadrunners, Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**

Location: Swingtime Center (5100 S.E. Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX)  
Time: Early rounds – 7:00PM / grand march – 8:00PM  
Callers: Rick Smith, Wayne Baldwin  
Cuer: Karen Gloodt  
Theme: Barn dance and Quilt Show  
Notes: 43<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary, Double Deal

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## **Refreshments Duty and Information**

May 23, 2014	Nejdl, Bergesen, Dennison, Loxsom
June 13, 2014	McGuire, McClure, 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, Henneberger, Estep, Burson
August 22, 2014	Feldman, Whipple, Gifford, Trujillo

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

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Upcoming Advertised Swinging Stars Theme Dances

# SWINGING STARS



## Salute The Troops

Friday, May 23, 2014

Swinging Stars

# SHOW YOUR TEAM COLORS



Caller  
Wayne Baldwin

Cuer  
Walter Brewer

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

Friday, June 13

Work Shop 7:00  
Square Up 8:00

Dancers Under 18 Free When Accompanied By An Adult



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

Sunday, June 8 – Annual Fish Fry at the Baldwins

Tuesday, June 10 – Plus lessons begin

June 12 – 15, 2014 – 52<sup>nd</sup> Texas State Square and Round Dance Festival, Tyler, TX – preregistration form:  
[www.squaredancetx.com/fest\\_reg\\_order.html](http://www.squaredancetx.com/fest_reg_order.html)

June 25 - 28, 2014 – 63<sup>rd</sup> National Square Dance Convention, Little Rock, AR – see [www.63nsdc.com](http://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 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance

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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**

**Swinging Stars President**

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