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While checking headlines on Sports Illustrated's web site, I noticed pictures of a cute, energetic blond, in a bikini dancing with a cowboy. (I'm very observant.)

It seems that they had been on a TV show, *Dancing with the Stars*.

Hmmm, dancing, cowboy, cute bikini – finally a use for that Hulu site I had bookmarked. (For any of you old enough to have earned a few grey hairs, Hulu is a web site that downloads TV shows.)

Unfortunately, I learn that this “dancing” show has:

- No square dancing!
- And, almost as disappointing, no bikinis!

OK, I can understand the no-bikini part. Bikinis do not lend themselves well to skirt work. Besides only a little spin turned most of the dresses on the show into bikinis.

But no square dancing?

Here is this champion, bull riding cowboy learning the Samba, Tango, and Rhumba. What's he ever going to do with that? (I took Latin in high school, and I know how useful that turned out.)

He's dancing to what we both once thought was just a dip for tortilla chips!

I dug up all the episodes, figuring that when they got to the square dance he would really show them what for.

Square dancing never came.

Why no square dancing? Square dancing is where you meet people. Where you laugh.

During one of those weeks, the National Square Dance convention was in the same city! Yet, *Dancing with the Stars* had no square dancing?

Was the show rigged? Cowboy discrimination?

Hollywood was not always so closed minded. I'm told by friends in the Fallen Arches of Moab, that John Wayne used to stop in for a dance when he was in town for a shoot. (Pun? I beg your pardon. This is a class article that does not resort to puns.) Another historic tid-bit: If John did bring along a coach to join him on stage, his stage coach never wore a bikini either.

Square dancers, this is a call to arms. Boycott *Dancing with the Stars*. Write the producers and insist that they quit discriminating against fun, and against American culture. Better yet, find that blonde and get her square dancing.

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