



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for January 14, 2024

Message from the Presidents

John and Debbie Cave

It was a cold but good weekend for dancing. Starting off with the Swinging Stars' Happy January Dance on Friday, we had a good turn-out with consistently 3 squares for the tips. We also had 3 to 5 round dance couples out on the floor. Jan and Charlie kept us moving with good music and fun dancing.

Eight of the Swinging Stars made it out through the cold to the Circle I dance on Saturday night. We finally brought home our banner. Yeah!!! Ray Savel put us through our paces with his calling and the round dancers were out in force, with 8 to 10 couples on the floor dancing to Chris Farabaugh cueing.

Remember Lessons start on Jan 29th, and we will need students to make a full class. Please pass this on to any of your friends and acquaintances inviting them to take lessons. If you can print off and drop flyers at your church or community center, it will help draw in students. Click on the following link for a copy of the flyer: http://www.swingingstars.org/2024_Jan_Square_Dance_Lessons.pdf
We will also need Angels to help the students learn. Please plan to take a turn in the Angel rotation.

Stay warm and safe in the cold weather. See you in a Square.

John and Debbie Cave

1st Quarter Dues are due

Members that normally pay quarterly and members that pay for six months your dues are due for the first quarter.

Dues for a quarter are \$27.50 for single member and \$55.00 for a couple. Dues for six months are \$55.00 for a single member and \$110.00 for a couple.

Please pay your 1st quarter dues at our next dance (Jan. 26, 2024) or mail your check, payable to the Swinging Stars, to the treasurer:

Nevin R Mulvin
3409 Eisenhower Ln
Plano, TX 75023-3933

Message from the 1st Vice Presidents

Charlie and Linda Harris

Lessons January 29, 2024

Club members! The Rec. Center requires 8 students to make this class. Do any and all advertising you can. Print flyers from the newsletter and take them to your favorite gyms, grocery store and your frequently visited locations. Click on the following link for a pdf version of the flyer:

http://www.swingingstars.org/2024_Jan_Square_Dance_Lessons.pdf

Also, do online advertising in places like Nextdoor, Dallas Morning News and any online neighborhood magazines. Thank you for increasing our reach and spreading the word.

Mainstream Lessons

Beginning: Monday January 29th, 2024

Ending: May 13th, 2024

Instructor: David Toms

Location: Liberty Rec Center (online catalog activity #65461)

2601 Glencliff Drive

Plano, TX 75075

Phone: (972) 769-4234

\$89.00 per person for 16 weeks.

Swinging Stars Hospitality Reminder!

Thank you to all that showed early to support our club! **Many hands** help make the tasks much easier. Your participation helps our club continue to enjoy success!

Please arrive at **7:00pm** and park in the back. The back door will be open for your entry. Let me know, if you have any questions. **Send me an email if you can help.** LindaHarristx@hotmail.com

Hospitality Teams

<i>Dance Date</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Jan 26	Hospitality
Feb 9	Hospitality
Feb 23	Hospitality

Thank you for your support,
Charlie and Linda Harris – 1st VP

2nd VP Report

Dave and Lorraine Burson

The current Swinging Star Banner inventory is shown below. If you visit a club whose banner we have, please don't bring home one more.

Banners Captured by the Swinging Stars

Club	Date Captured
Kissin' Kuzzins	10/06/2023
Pegasus Squares	12/10/2023

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Triangle Squares	3/31/2023
Tri-City Promenaders	7/14/2023

EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

Official Club Visitation - Banner Retrieval

Saturday, January 13 – Circle I – New Year's Resolution

Yes, it was very cold, but the roads were fine and there was no rain or snow to make the roads dangerous, the traffic wasn't bad either. If you have never been to the Heritage Senior Center in Irving, you are missing dancing in a very lovely dance hall. Chris Farabaugh had a great mix of

rhythms for the 6 couples dancing during the Early Rounds. Also enjoying Chris Farabaugh's cueing, were the 6 to 7 Round Dance couples that enjoyed his cueing all thru the rest of the evening. Ray Savell was on top of his game. He called a very fun dance. There were 6 squares enjoying the first tip of the Square Workshop. There were 7 squares after the Grand March. There were 51 visitors, Circle I had 27 members. Swinging Stars finally retrieved our banner with 8 members attending. Thank you to: Sees, Covingtons, Caves, and Bursons. We also were able to acquire a signature toward our next Club Visitation Award Patch. Good job Swinging Stars!

*** COMING EVENTS ***

To reach the **January Promenade**, click here:

<https://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2024-01-Promenade.pdf>

Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval – Anniversary Dance Friday, January 19 – Triangle Squares – Roaring 20s Dance

Where: The Brand Cowboy Church, 5926 FM 455, Sanger TX 76266

Guest Caller: Ray Savell

Club Caller: Toby Thomason

Cuer: Christine Hixson

Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Plus 7:30, Grand March/SSD 8:00

Note: Dinner and Drinks will be served.

See page 26 of the January Promenade for more information

Of Interest Club Visitation

Saturday, January 20 – Rebel Rousers – Super Bowl

Where: Richardson Senior Center - - 820 W. Arapaho Rd, Richardson

Guest Caller: Scott Bennett

Cuer: Christine Hixson

Time: Rounds 7:00, Plus FunShop 7:30, Dance 8:00

Note: See page 27 of the January Promenade for more information

LADIES LUNCHEON

Wednesday, January 24, 2024 AT 11:30

The Ladies Luncheon will be hosted by Lorraine Burson, on January 24, 2024 at 11:30 AM. I have chosen La Madeline in Allen, 810 W. McDermott Allen Texas, 75013.

Please reply to me at Lorraine@Bursons.us or 972-396-0941 to let me know if you plan to attend by January 22, 2024, so I will know how many seats to reserve. Click on menu to check out their menus there are several, you can chose your preference by going to:

<https://lamadeleine.com/menu/entrees-and-favorites>

Friday, January 26 – Swinging Stars – Midwinter Dance

Where: Network Ministries – 1500 International Pkwy #300, Richardson

Caller: Charlie Robertson

Cuer: Jan Toms

Time: Early Rounds 7:30, Dance 8:00

Note: See page 32 of the January Promenade for more information

Of Interest Club Visitation

Sunday, January 28 – NTCA – Officer Installation Dance

Where: Swingtime Center - - 5100 SE Loop 820 @ Anglin, Ft Worth, TX

Callers: NTCA Callers

Cuers: NTCA Cuers

Time: 7:30 – 9:30

Note: See page 34 of the January Promenade for more information

* * * OTHER EVENTS * * *

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Sunshine information

From Peggy Amy our Sunshine Reporter

No news to report this week.

Let's keep in touch by sharing news in our Newsletter.

Please send news to Peggy Amy amybpeggy@verizon.net

Special dates to put on your calendar

Monday, January 29, 2024 **Swinging Stars Square Dance Lessons**

Friday, May 10, 2024 **Swinging Stars 49th Anniversary** Dance

Friday, October 11, 2024 **Swinging Stars Double Deal** Dance

Friday, November 22, 2024 **Swinging Stars Round up Theme** Dance

Web Master Dave Burson

Be sure to check out our web page: www.swingingstars.org

There is a lot of information about what is going on with the Swinging Stars.

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

Message from Newsletter Editor

Thank you for making it this far down the newsletter.

As we streamlining the newsletter, if we remove something or change something that you liked the way it was, or have any suggestions, please send your comments and suggestions to:

newsletter_editor@swingingstars.org Anything sent to that email address will go to the **President of the Swinging Stars** and to the **Newsletter Editor** (Dave Burson).

Dave Burson
Newsletter Editor
Swinging Stars

Email: newsletter_editor@swingingstars.org

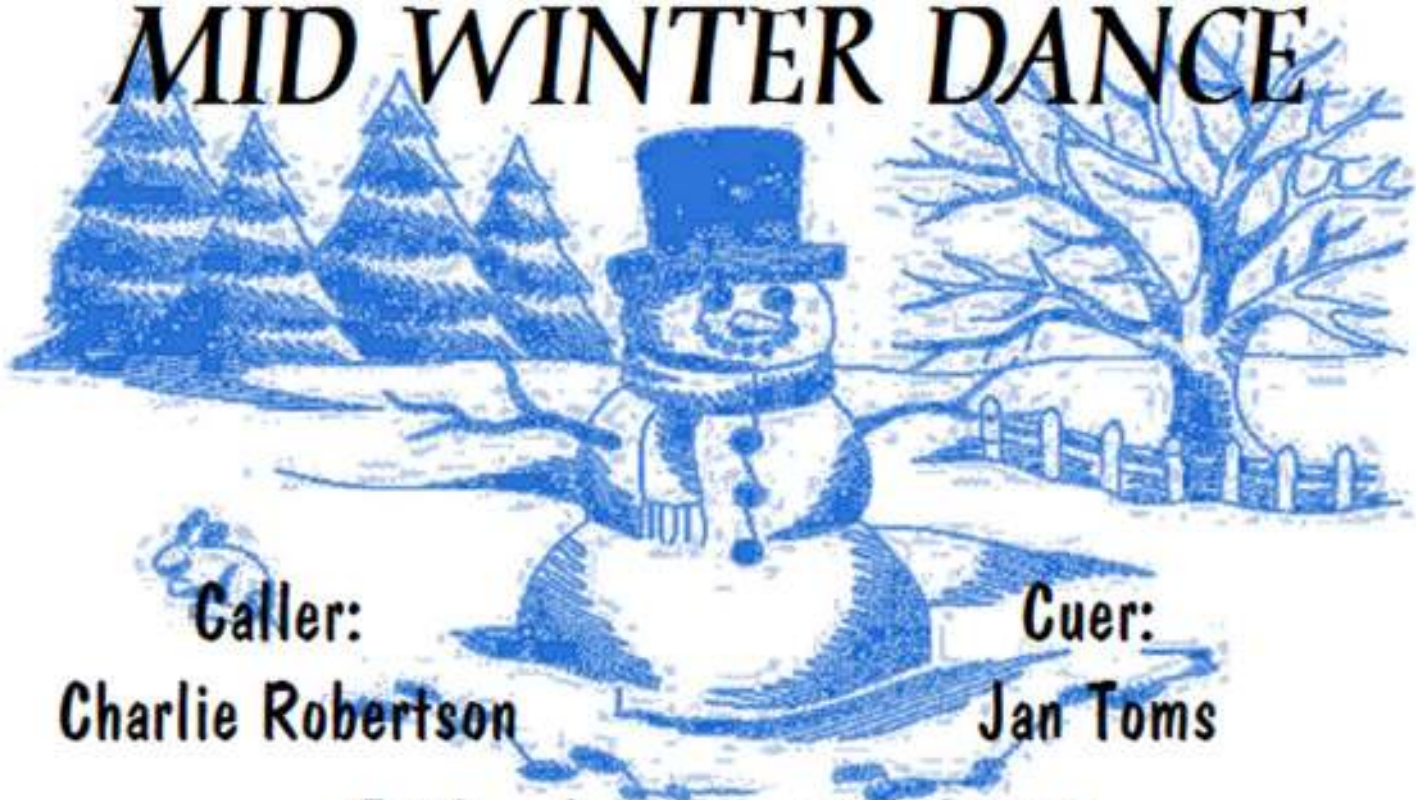
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See Flyers below



SWINGING STARS

MID WINTER DANCE



Caller:

Charlie Robertson

Cuer:

Jan Toms

Friday January 26, 2024

Early Rounds 7:30

Square Dancing 8:00

Network Ministries Building

1500 International Pkwy Ste. 300

Richardson TX. 75081

❄️ Singles Board ❄️ Banners ❄️ Lite Snacks ❄️ Honey Pot ❄️

Under 18 dance free when accompanied by adults

For info: 972-836-3201 or President@swingingstars.org

Visit our Website www.swingingstars.org

Try something new in 2024

Come out and Learn to

SQUARE DANCE

Connect with other fun People

Dance to some of your favorite music

Its fun engaging and relaxing

Fun couple date night activity

Less than \$6.00 per night per person

Modern Square Dance (Beg) #65461

Location: Liberty Recreation Center
2601 Glencliff Dr., Plano Tex.75075
Phone 972-769-4234

Jan. 29, 2024 to May 13, 2024

Monday 7:15 PM - 9:15 PM

Instructor: David Toms

Fee Per Person

Plano Resident \$89.00

Non Resident \$93.00

10% Discount for 60 or more years old

Registration Starts

Plano Residents Dec. 2, 2023 at 8:00 AM

Non Plano Residents Dec. 4 at 5:00 AM

Number of sessions 16

First session Jan. 29 is FREE, however, after your first lesson on Jan. 29, if you think this is fun and you decide that you would like to take the lessons, you must register that evening after the lesson is over.

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For more information call:

Linda Harris 214-534-7632 or Email: 1stvp@swingingstars.org

See website: www.swingingstars.org