



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for December 3, 2023

Message from the Presidents

John and Debbie Cave

We had a wonderful time at our Swinging Stars Christmas Party at Nina's home. The decor was festive, the food was tasty, and the fun was jolly. We had 20 people from our club attending. John was in Peru holding men's conferences for a mission organization of which he is a board member. He will return this coming Thursday. Please do whatever you can to attend our next dance on December 8, as it is the only club dance we will have this month. We won't be dancing at Network Ministries together again until January 12. Hopefully you can attend some other clubs' dances between now and then. We need to keep our feet moving and our brains working hard. December is the month of parties for every organization to which you belong. There should be some festive dances, too. Check out below which ones we should attend to collect banners.

See you in a square,
John and Debbie Cave

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](http://www.swingingstars.org/2024%20Jan%20Square%20Dance%20Lessons.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>
Dec 8	No Snacks Needed; Hospitality Only
Jan 12	Hospitality
Jan 26	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
Texas Reelers	12/01/2023

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Triangle Squares	3/31/2023
Circle I	5/26/2023
Tri-City Promenaders	7/14/2023

EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

Official Club Visitation - Banner Retrieval

Friday, December 1 – Texas Reelers – Silver Bells

Yes, we did! We not only retrieved our banner, but we were able to capture the Texas Reelers Banner. Many thanks to the Covingtons, Bursons, HARRISES, Kilejians, Trujillos, Sees and Ha Loi. For Supporting the Clubs Official visitation. We actually had 13 Swinging Stars. There were 6 squares in the Grand March. They didn't say how many visitors were at the dance or how many Reelers were there. I am going to give it a good guess how many dancers were at the dance. Counting the 6 squares in the grand march and about only about 6 or so sitting out I think that would probably add up to 54ish. We all had a good time dancing to Jon Jones. Deborah was not there because she had had Shoulder surgery and was afraid that someone might come up to greet her and give her a big hug her and hurt shoulder. That would be very painful for her. John spent some time demonstrating some new figures that he had worked out and later, he was kind of giving a lesson as to how many beats it took to do certain calls, that it would take to complete the call, so that the timing would come out right. Was very interesting to be reviewing these calls and their timing. Chris Farabaugh as usual cued many of the favorite rhythms for the Round dancers to enjoy.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

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

<http://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2023-12-Promenade.pdf>

Of Interest Club Visitation for Plus Dancers

Wednesday, December 6 – Plus 4s

Where: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church -- 12411 Templeton Tr., Farmers Branch

Caller: Toby Thomason

Time: Plus 7:00

Friday, December 8 – Swinging Stars – Holiday Dance

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

Caller: David Toms

Cuer: Jan Toms

Time: Rounds 7:30, Dance 8:00

Note: See page 8 of the December Promenade for more information

Official Club Visitation - Banner Retrieval

Saturday, December 9 – Circle I – 71st Anniversary Dance

Where: Heritage Senior Center – 200 S. Jefferson St, Irving

Guest Caller: Vernon Jones

Caller: Ray Savell

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

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

Note: See page 17 of the December Promenade for more information

Ladies Luncheon

Wednesday, December 13 -- Corner Bakery

Debbie Cave will be hosting the Lady Stars Lunch for December. It will be at Corner Bakery at 7615 Campbell Rd (Campbell & Coit) in Dallas. We will meet at 11:30 on Wednesday, December 13.

Please contact Debbie Cave at 972-623-7524 or dacave2016@gmail.com. The menu may be seen at www.cornerbakerycafe.com.

Of Interest Club Visitation – Banner Raid

Saturday, December 16 – Rebel Rousers – Winter Wonderland

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

Caller: Mike Bramlett

Cuer: Christine Hixson

Time: Rounds 7:00, Plus Fun Shop 7:30, Dance 8:00

Note: See page 24 of the December Promenade for more information

*** OTHER EVENTS ***

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

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Sunshine information

From Peggy Amy our Sunshine Reporter

No news to report.

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

Phone: 972-396-0941

See Flyers below





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Holiday Dance

Come Celebrate The Holiday Season With us!

Caller: David Toms

Cuer: Jan Toms



Early Rounds 7:30

Square up 8:00



December 8 2023



Network Ministries Building

1500 International Pkwy Ste. 300, Richardson, TX 75081

Dancers under 18 dance for free when accompanied with a paying adult

Refreshment Banners Honey Pot Singles Board Light Snacks

For Info : 972-836-3201 or president@swingingstars.org

Visit our website: www.swingingstars.org



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Happy
January

❄️ Celebrate our First dance in 2024 ❄️

❄️ **January 12, 2024** ❄️

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Caller:

Charlie Robertson

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Early Rounds: 7:30

Cuer:

Jan Toms

❄️
Square up: 8:00

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Network Ministries Building ❄️

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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 pre night per person

Modern Square Dance (Beg) #65461

Location: Liberty Recreation Center
2601 Glenduff 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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Linda Harris 214-534-7632 or Email: 1stvp@swingingstars.org

See website: www.swingingstars.org