

# Swinging Stars

## Square and Round Dance Club

*Newsletter for April 21, 2024*

### Message from the Presidents

Richard and Jan Covington

Here is a great new clip to post or repost...



[Swing your partner! Square dance among seniors is sweeping the state](https://youtu.be/uOK_zXTDOM) click the following link:  
[https://youtu.be/uOK\\_zXTDOM](https://youtu.be/uOK_zXTDOM)

I posted it on NextDoor and had 1100 views in a week. I commented on the post, "The news report makes it sound like square dancing is for retirement but we have lots of younger people square dancing. This is not your Grandma's square dancing." So, try it. Post it and see what happens.

You may have seen the flyer in the Promenade about a demo at the Primrose School of North Richardson (2425 N Plano Rd, Richardson, TX 75082) on our dance night. (See flyer at the end of the newsletter.) We want to support this in full force as we could encourage these folks to take square dance lessons. Since it is our dance night there are some logistics issues. Here is what we have planned.

I asked a small crew of volunteers (drafted), Dave & Lorraine Bursons, Nevin & Sara Mulvin and Lon Bushell that will meet at 7:00 and set-up for our dance. All others are encouraged to come to the Demo as it is less than 2 miles from the Network Community Ministries building.

Charlie Robertson and Toby Thomason have encouraged Swinging Stars participation as it could lead to students for our club - the parents and grandparents of the students will be in attendance.

Toby Thomason will be the caller at the Primrose School Demo on Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup> from 6:30PM to 7:15PM. This should be a good place for our club to advertise our upcoming new dancer lessons. There are about 250 young kids in the school so there will be parents & grandparents attending the Spring Fling watching the square dancers. Toby plans to have them participate in a short tip showing them how much fun square dancing is. So, before our club dance come out to the demo to promote Swinging Stars.

After the demo, all will be encouraged to come to our square dance. As always, make sure to introduce yourself to anyone you don't know and make everyone feel welcome.

The flyer for the demo is attached. You can help make this happen. Thank you each of you for all you do.

I will see you in a square,

**Richard C**

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## **2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Dues are due starting April 1, 2024**

If you normally pay by the quarter you need to pay for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter which is \$27.50 per single member and \$55.00 per couple. **If you have not paid your 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter dues, it is important that you pay ASAP.** April is the month that we have to send an updated roster and NORTEX Dues to NORTEX. So please pay your dues at the next dance or mail a check made out to the Swinging Stars to the treasurer:

Nevin R Mulvin  
3409 Eisenhower Ln  
Plano, TX 75023-3933  
972-618-0750

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## **May 10, 2024 -- 49<sup>th</sup> Swinging Stars Anniversary Dance -- Dancing with the Stars**

THEME BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: "Dancing with the Stars"

May 10, 2024, Early Rounds at 7:00 to 8:00, **Grand March 8:00**

Dear Swinging Star Members,

Thank you to all of our Swinging Star members, thanks for you volunteering to help. But, for those of you that have not had a chance to sign up to help with the Anniversary Dance. I am waiting to hear from you!! Of course, there is a flyer at the end of this Newsletter. It gives you important info about the where when etc. What I want to give you now is information to help you get signed up to help making the Anniversary dance a success. All members are expected to help wherever and when they can. I have had a few say they are going to be out of town on the date of the Anniversary Dance. That happens sometimes. Just so you know you may need to sign up to help with more than one service. I want to tell you about something more that I just received a few weeks that is listed in the flyer in the newsletter, we will be having a money raffle for \$100. By purchasing tickets for the money raffle, you also have a chance to win 1 of ten \$20 dinner gift certificates to the Red Truck Café.

**Please Call me if you have not already signed up to help!** May 10 will be here before you know it.  
Lorraine Burson

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# Message from the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Presidents

Charlie and Linda Harris

## Mainstream Lessons

Those angels continuing to show up for support, we appreciated you!

**Women angels are needed!**

Location: Liberty Rec Center  
2601 Glencliff Drive  
Plano, TX 75075  
Mondays 7:15 PM

**“Thanks to all” for showing up early to help with setup and stay for tear down.**

See you in a square,  
Charlie and Linda Harris – 1<sup>st</sup> VP

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> 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
Pegasus	3/24/2024
Kissin' Kuzzins	4/19/2024

### Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Tri-City Promenaders	7/14/2023
Triangle Squares	2/23/2024
Rebel Rousers	2/23/2024

## \*\*\*EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK\*\*\*

### Official Club Visitation - Banner Raid

#### Friday, April 19 – Kissin' Kuzzins – 51<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Dance

Great dance! 2 Great Callers! Kept everyone going to a very upbeat list of tunes. The thing I really liked is that Mike Bramlett and Ken Burk both called every tip together that made the evening very exciting for the total of the 99 dancers attending to enjoy. There were 60 visitors, 39 Kissin Kuzzins with 8 squares in the first tip. Swinging Stars were represented by Peggy Amy, Bursons, Caves, Harrises, Nina Lassiter, Sees and Chris Trujillo. **Thank you** to all the Swinging Stars that attended, your attendance is greatly appreciated for supporting the Clubs Official Banner Raid Visitation.

### Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval

#### Saturday, April 20 – Rebel Rousers – Spring is in the Air

No report.

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

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

<https://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2024-04-Promenade.pdf>

### Friday, April 26 – Swinging Stars – Celebrate San Jacinto Day

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

**Caller:** Charlie Robertson

**Cuer:** Jan Toms

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

**Note:** See page 31 of the April Promenade for more information

### Of Interest Club Visitation for Round Dancers

### Sunday, April 28 – Harvest Holiday – Spring Fun Rounds

**Where:** Swingtime Center - - 5100 SE Loop 820, Fort Worth

**Cuer:** Area Instructors

**Time:** Rounds 2:00 – 5:30 PM

**Note:** Phases 2, 3, and 4

See page 33 of the April Promenade for more information

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## Sunshine information

From Peggy Amy and Nina Lassiter our Sunshine Reporters

No Sunshine news this week.

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

You can email Nina Lassiter Sunshine or Rain, at your convenience. [ninalassiter@gmail.com](mailto:ninalassiter@gmail.com)

Or you may call or text 214-769-6032. She always needs any reports (good or bad), by Friday in order to get the report to Dave and Lorraine in a timely manner.

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## Special dates to put on your calendar

Friday, May 10, 2024 **Swinging Stars 49<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** Dance

Sunday, May 19, 2024, 4:00 PM **Swinging Stars General Club meeting** at Spring Creek BBQ  
270 N Central Expy, Richardson, TX 75080

Friday, October 11, 2024 **Swinging Stars Round up Theme** Dance

Friday, November 22, 2024 **Swinging Stars Double Deal** Dance

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## Web Master Dave Burson

Be sure to check out our web page: [www.swingingstars.org](http://www.swingingstars.org)

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

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## 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](mailto: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).

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**Dave Burson**  
**Newsletter Editor**  
**Swinging Stars**  
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**See Flyers below**



# SWINGING STARS



Celebrating Our Texas Heritage



## San Jacinto Day



April 26, 2024

Caller:

Charlie Robertson

Cuer:

Jan Toms

Early Rounds: 7:30

Square Up: 8:00



Network Ministries Building

1500 International Pkwy Ste.300



San Jacinto Day is the celebration of the Battle of San Jacinto on April 21, 1836. It was the final battle of the Texas Revolution where Texas won its independence from Mexico.

Please feel free to wear Western or Square Dance Attire

Dancers under 18 free when accompanied by adults



Info: 972-675-6523 OR [president@swingingstars.org](mailto:president@swingingstars.org)

Visit our Web: [www.swingingstars.org](http://www.swingingstars.org)

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# SPRING FLING!

# DEMO DANCE

**PRIMROSE SCHOOL  
OF NORTH RICHARDSON AT LOOKOUT**

**Friday, April 26, 2024**

**6:30 pm – 7:15 pm**

**2425 N. Plano Road  
Richardson, TX 75082**

*Square  
Dance Attire  
Preferred*

**Toby  
Thomason**  
Caller

*Please sign  
up on the  
NORTEX  
website.*



[www.primroseschools.com/schools/north-richardson-at-lookout/](http://www.primroseschools.com/schools/north-richardson-at-lookout/)  
See our Facebook page – [PrimroseSchoolNorthRichardsonatLookout](#)

For more information contact Vince Matej at 817.709.7688



# Swinging Stars

49<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

MAY 10, 2024



**Guest Caller: Jet Roberts**  
**Club Caller: Charlie Robertson**  
**Cuer: Jan Toms**

Early Rounds 7:00

Grand March 8:00

\$100 Money Raffle with a  
chance to win 1 of 10, \$20 Gift  
Certificates to Red Truck Cafe

Network Ministries Building

1500 International Pkwy Ste 300

Richardson Tx. 75081

Refreshments

Banners

Singles Board

Honey pot

Dancers under 18 dance free when accompanied by paying adult

Info: 972-396-0941 or President @swinging stars.org

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