Newsletter for January 19, 2025

Message from the PresidentsRichard and Jan Covington

Come out and enjoy our new continuous square dancing on Tuesdays at 7:00. David Tom's is gearing it from the beginning dancers to the regular mainstream dancer. It is our alternative to "lessons". Charge is \$5.00 per dancer. Be sure to talk-it-up on social media. We hope to see you there.

We are looking forward to seeing you all at Friday's dance.

I will see you in a square. RichardC

Message from the 1st Vice Presidents Charlie and Linda Harris



Thank you to all that come early and stay for tear down. You are appreciated.

See you in a square, Charlie and Linda Harris – 1st VP

***** Tuesday Night Dance *****

Join Us for a Night of Fun and Friendship. Beginning Tuesday January 21st, David and Jan Toms will be hosting a Square Dance Program every Tuesday – all levels, but no experience necessary.

New dancers and their friends and family are welcome to join us for the first hour to learn basic and have a blast. All pay at the door.

Let make some music together with a night filled with laughter, rhythm and community!

See flyer at the end of the newsletter.

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. 24, 2025) or mail your check, payable to the Swinging Stars, to the treasurer:

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

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
Log Cabin Swingers	5/04/2024
Texas Reelers	1/03/2025
Kissin' Kuzzins	1/17/2025

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Triangle Squares	2/23/2024

EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

Of Interest Club Visitation for Plus Dancers Wednesday, January 15 – Plus 4s

Toby called an interesting Plus Dance. He threw in some DBD.

Several of us had a little trouble keeping up. I guess we all have missed too many square dances lately. Because of traffic Dave and I were a little late and missed the first tip when we arrived there were 2 squares dancing in the first tip. Afterward before the second tip, enough dancers had arrived to make up 3 squares. The rest of the evening there were either 2 or 3 squares. Thank you to the Sees for attending along with the us. Toby announced that he will be returning to the regular schedule on the first Wednesdays next month.

Official Club Visitation – Banner Raid Friday, January 17 – Kissin' Kuzzins – Make Dancing your New Year's Resolution

I must say David Toms has become quite a good caller. We all enjoy his calling as he progresses. The dance was a lot of fun. David called some pretty interesting combinations of figures that kept us on our toes trying to keep up. There were 11 visitors 24 Kissin Kuzzins members for a total of 35. There were 3 round Dance couples after the first tip. As I remember, there was the only time Jan Toms cued a round dance. The Swinging Stars had 6 members attending. Thank you to: Bursons, Harrises and Sees for supporting the Official Club Visitation and Banner Raid. We were able to get Their banner and another signature toward our next Club Visitation Patch Award. Good work Swinging Star attendees.

Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval Saturday, January 18 – Rebel Rousers – Sock Hop

It was fun to see all the Sock Hop attire at the dance Friday night. Scott Bennett called a superb dance. It was fun, fast and furious. He said he was pleased that there so many attending and he sort of got all excited and it was obvious he was enjoying calling to the crowd. There were 49 visitors, 28 Rebel Rousers members for a total of 77 dancers enjoying Scott's calling. There were 7 squares in the Grand March. During the rest of the night there were 6 squares up dancing to Scott. After the 1st tip,7 Round Dancer couples enjoyed the Cueing of Christine Hixson and for most of the evening there were also 6 couples enjoying Christine cueing their favorite Rhythms. Swinging Stars had 6 members supporting our Official Club Visitation Banner Retrieval. Thank you once again to the Bursons, Harrises and Sees making it possible to retrieve our banner and collect a signature toward our 1220 Club Visitation Patch Award. Way to go Stars!

*** COMING EVENTS ***

To reach the **January** *Promenade*, click here: https://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2025-01-Promenad

Wednesday, January 22—Swing stars Ladies Luncheon

Lorraine Burson will be hosting the January Luncheon.

I have decided to have our monthly Ladies Luncheon on **Jan 22 at 12:30**. I have chosen the Red Truck Café. 910 W. Parker Rd. #101. Plano TX. I like to show our appreciation to the establishment for their continued support for the Swinging Stars. I would like your reply that you will be attending by January 20th, so I have time to notify them how many will be coming to lunch. Please reply to Lorraine Burson at 972-396-0941or <u>Lorraine@Bursons.us</u>. Hope to see all of you at Lunch.

Thank you,

Lorraine Burson

Friday, January 24 – Swinging Stars – Mid Winter Dance

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

Caller: Charlie Robertson

Cuer: Jan Toms

Time: Early Rounds 7:30, Square up 8:00

Note: See page 36 of the **January** Promenade for more information.

Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval – 50th Anniversary Dance Friday, January 31 – Triangle Squares – 50 Years of Memories

Where: Swingtime Center 5100 SE Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX

Guest Caller: Deborah Carroll Jones

Club Caller: Toby Thomason

Cuer: Jan Toms

Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Grand March 7:45

Note: See page 42 of the **January** Promenade for more information.

Sunshine information

From Peggy Amy and Nina Lassiter our Sunshine Reporters

No news to report.

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 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.

Special dates to put on your calendar

Friday, May 30, 2025 Swinging Stars 50th Anniversary Dance Friday, September 26, 2025 Swinging Stars Round up Theme Dance Saturday, November 29, 2025 Swinging Stars Double Deal 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.

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



Enjoy something new in 2025

A little birdie told us you might be interest in: Learning Continuous Square Dancing

Come Enjoy Continuous Square Dancing Join Us for a Night of Fun and Friendship No Experience Necessary Flexible Participation, Come and go each week as you please Pay \$5.00 per person each night Fun couple date night activity

INSTRUCTOR: Caller: David Toms

MEMBER: Of NORTEX CALLERS ASSOCIATION

DATE & TIME: Every Tuesday at 7:00 PM

Starting January 21, 2025

Where: Network of Community Ministries

1500 International Pkwy Ste. 300

Richardson TX 75081

Sponsored by:

Swinging Stars

For more information call: John Cave 972-836-3201 or

Email: president@swingingstars.org See website: www.swingingstars.org

SWINGING STARS MID WINTER DANCE

Caller: Charlie Robertson

Cuer:

Jan Toms

Friday January 24, 2025

Early Rounds 7:30

Square Dancing 8:00

Network of Community Ministries 1500 International Pkwy Ste. 300 Richardson TX, 75081

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Under 18 dance free when accompanied by adults

For info: 214-675-6523 or President@swingingstars.org
Visit our Website www.swingingstars.org



Let Me Call You Sweetheart



Valentine Dance

February 14, 2025

Guest Caller: David Toms Early Rounds 7:30

Cuer: Jan Toms Square Up: 8:00



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