



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club



Newsletter for January 26, 2025

Message from the Presidents

Richard and Jan Covington

WOW! What a fantastic dance Friday night!!! We so thrilled to have a winter thaw... ha-ha... and a good turnout. We had 39 visitors and 21 SS's for a total of 60 in attendance. KK's brought nine dancers, RR brought eight and CI's seven. So, let's go get our banners back and capture theirs ASAP. Jan and Charlie truly did great jobs. We are very blessed to have them cueing & calling for us.

We have another very good caller, David Toms, teaching/calling for us on Tuesday nights. We had eight dancers in week one and nine dancers in week two. No new dancers yet but I had an inquiry about whether it was too late to start from a Nancy V. Hopefully, we will see her this Tuesday. This is intended to be financially self-supporting, and it has not cost anything out-of-pocket. This is due to David's willingness to call for a very reasonable fee. As the number of dancers grow, so does his compensation. We believe this approach will snowball but it will take time, perseverance and continually advertising and talking it up.

Since there were no new dancers the first two weeks, David treated it as a dance which is exactly what is intended. In week two he reviewed mainstream calls and expanded our knowledge base by teaching and workshopping a few plus calls. For some it was new territory, and it was beneficial for all.

This is our last newsletter as the 24-25 club presidents. It has been our pleasure to serve in this capacity. We appreciate everyone and everything you do for the club. A special thanks goes out to the Board - Charlie and Linda Harris, Dave & Lorraine Burson, Chris and Merry Trujillo and Nevin and Sarah Mulvin. Thanks to the new presidents John and Debbie Cave and our new second vice presidents Ron and Donita Sees.

I hope you all come out to the NTCA's officer installation dance Sunday afternoon. The advertised time for the dance is 7:30 – 9:30pm.

We 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 any Tuesday at 7:00 PM, 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 to learn basic Square Dancing 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 (Feb. 14, 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

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Triangle Squares	2/23/2024
Rebel Rousers	1/24/2025
Circle I	1/24/2025

EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

Friday, January 24 – Swinging Stars – Mid Winter Dance

See the Message from the Presidents above.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

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

<https://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2025-01-Promenade.pdf>

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

<https://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2025-02-Promenade.pdf>

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.

Of Interest Club Visitation for Plus Dancers

Wednesday, February 15 – Plus 4s

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

Caller: Toby Thomason

Time: Plus 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Note: See page 8 of the **February** Promenade for more information.

Friday, February 14 – Swinging Stars – Valentine Dance

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

Caller: David Toms

Cuer: Jan Toms

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

Note: See page 19 of the **February** Promenade for more information.

Wednesday February 19, 2025 Ladies Luncheon

Debbie Cave has so graciously volunteered to host the next Luncheon.

Ladies, please reserve Wednesday, February 19th for our monthly lunchtime get-together. We will meet at Little Rome Restaurant at 2707 W 15th St, Plano, at 12:30pm for some great Italian food.

You may view the menu at: thelittlerome.com/menu. Please contact Debbie Cave at 972-623-7524 or at dacave2016@gmail.com to make a reservation before February 17th.

Thank you

Friday, February 28 – Swinging Stars – Proud To Be Texans

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 32 of the **February** 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@swingingsstars.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@swingingsstars.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 Any Tuesday at 7:00 PM

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

Sponsored by:

 **Swinging Stars** 
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For more information call:
John Cave 972-836-3201 or
Email: president@swingingstars.org
See website: www.swingingstars.org

Swinging Stars

Let Me Call You Sweetheart

Honey Pot

Singles Board



Banners

Lite Snacks

Valentine Dance

February 14, 2025

Guest Caller: David Toms

Early Rounds 7:30

Cuer: Jan Toms

Square Up: 8:00



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Network of Community Ministries

1500 International Pkwy Ste. 300

Richardson Tx. 75081



Dancers under 18 dance FREE with paying adults

For info: 972-836-3201 OR president@swingingstars.org

Visit our website: www.swingingstars.org

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*Proud To
Be Texans*

*To Celebrate
Texas Independence*

February 28, 2025

Caller: Charlie Robertson



Early Rounds: 7:30

Cuer: Jan Toms

Square up: 8:00

Network of Community Ministries

1500 International Pkwy Ste. 300 Richardson Tx 75080

Dancers under 18 dance for free when accompanied by a paying adult.

★ Lite snacks ★ Banners ★ Honey pot ★ Single board ★



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