

Newsletter for February 18, 2024

Message from the Presidents Richard and Jan Covington

I'm sure you will be excited to hear from your First VP in this newsletter that lessons are going well. They are a fun bunch and David Toms is doing a great job. If you haven't come to lessons this year to angel, you are missing out. Please be sure to coordinate with the Harrises so that not everyone shows up the same week.

Next lessons.... right now is when we need to be thinking about our next set of lessons. How do we recruit more students for lessons? It would be beneficial if everyone were posting on their social media (Facebook, Snapchat, X, etc.) pages square dance pictures, videos clips and such. Let's talk it up with people around us. What brought you into Square Dancing? What is fun and what keeps you coming back?

Finally, a quick survey, if you read our newsletters send me an email at <u>president@swingingstars.org</u> and give me a yes or no.... Comments and recommendations are appreciated.

We'll see you in a square... Richard C

Message from the 1st Vice Presidents Charlie and Linda Harris

Mainstream Lessons

Lessons are in progress and going well – Come help with angeling! David Toms is doing a great job. He is keeping them dancing at a good pace. Women are needed! Monday nights 7:15pm Location: Liberty Rec Center

2601 Glencliff Drive Plano, TX 75075

Swinging Stars Hospitality Reminder!

Hospitality for February 23rd club dance ***Snacks are on hand for this dance.



"BIG" thank you to all assisting with setup and tear down.

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
Pegasus Squares	12/10/2023
Triangle Squares	1/19/2024
Circle I	2/10/2024

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Tri-City Promenaders	7/14/2023

EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

Official Club Visitation - Banner Retrieval Friday, February 16 – Kissin' Kuzzins – Boot Scootin' Boogie

The Kissin Kuzzins had a fair turnout, considering there was a weekend dance at Lake Murry. I know several from our club went and several from the Kissin Kuzzins also went to Lake Murry for the weekend dance. There were 2 squares dancing in the workshop. I must say Mike did a great job showing interesting ways to do several simple calls such as do-si-dos and pass the ocean. There were 3 squares in the first tip. There was a total of 27 dancers attending the dance. Swinging Stars had 6 members attending and we retrieved our banner. Thank you to the Harrises, Bursons and Stewarts for supporting our Official Club Visitation, Banner Retrieval.

Of Interest Club Visitation – Double Deal - Banner Raid Saturday, February 17 – Rebel Rousers – Black & White Ball

Fun, Fun, Fun, everyone had a lot of fun dancing to the Bramletts; D', Drew and Mike. Drew did most of the patter calls since Mike had a problem with his allergies. Drew has come a long way with his abilities calling. I was impressed with how well he has progressed calling. Mike did the Fun workshop. D', Mike and Drew harmonized on all of the Singing Calls. Christine had a good mix on rhythms for the Round dancers to enjoy. There was 7 Round Dance Couples dancing after the 1st tip. We counted 5 squares in the grand march. There was a total of 62 Dancers attending the dance, 42 visitors, 20 Rebel Rousers. The Swinging Stars came up short with only 3 members supporting our Club Visitation. Needless to say, we did not capture the Rebel Rousers banner. That is ok we will do better next time.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

To reach the **February** *Promenade*, click here: https://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2024-02-Promenade.pdf

LADIES LUNCHEON Wednesday, February 21st, 2024 AT 11:30

We are inviting all lady associate members to come and enjoy visiting with us. The Ladies Luncheon will be hosted by Linda Harris, on February 21st, 2024 at 11:30 am. The location is Breadwinners, 4021 Preston Rd, Plano, TX 75093. Please reply Linda by February 19th, 2024 at <u>LindaHarristx@hotmail.com</u>, if you plan to attend. Click on the link below to check out their menus. <u>https://breadwinnerscafe.com/restaurant-menus</u>

Friday, February 23 – Swinging Stars – Mardi Gras

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 29 of the February Promenade for more information

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Sunshine information

From Peggy Amy and Nina Lassiter our Sunshine Reporters

No news to report this week.

Let's keep in touch by sharing news in our Newsletter. Please send news to Nina Lassiter <u>ninalassiter@gmail.com</u>

Special dates to put on your calendar

Sunday, May 19, 2024, 4:00 PM Swinging Stars General Club meeting at Spring Creek BBQ

270 N Central Expy, Richardson, TX 75080

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: <u>www.swingingstars.org</u>

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

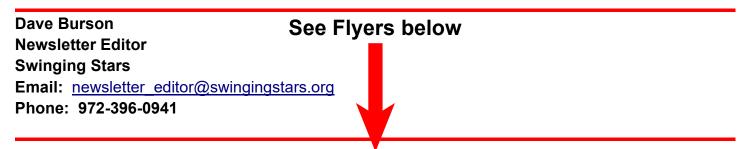
For information about weekend dances, go to our Web Page and click on Weekends.

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:

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



Honey Pot Banner Game



Swinging Stars

Celebrates

Solo Board Snacks

February 23, 2024 Network Ministries Building

1500 International Pkwy Ste. 300 Richardson TX.75081

Caller Charlie Robertson Cuer Jan Toms



Early Rounds: 7:30 Square Up: 8:00

SAVE THE DATE <u>May 10,2024</u> SWINGING STARS 49th ANNIVERSARY DANCE DANCING WITH THE STARS GUEST CALLER: JETT ROBERTS CLUB CALLER: CHARLIE ROBERTSON CLUB CUER: JAN TOMS



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