



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for January 11, 2026

Message from the Presidents

John and Debbie Cave

Happy New Year to all of you. Hope your year is going well so far. Debbie noticed that there will be about 9 new Plus calls that will be moved from Advanced to Plus later this year. We asked Charlie and David to begin workshopping these calls as they call the plus tips in our upcoming dances. That way both our club and those who dance with us will be familiar with the new calls. We are looking forward to learning.

Richard started new lessons last Tuesday, but we did not have any students show up. We will try it for a few more weeks and see what the response will be.

See you all in two weeks at our January 23rd dance.

John and Debbie Cave

Message from the 1st Vice Presidents

Charlie and Linda Harris

No input for the newsletter this week.

Charlie and Linda Harris

2nd VP Report

Ron See

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	11/07/25
Circle I	12/13/25
Texas Reelers	12/19/25
Rebel Rousers	12/20/25
Stone Steppers	01/09/26

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured

***EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK**

Of Interest Club Visitation for Plus Dancers

Wednesday, January 7 – Plus 4s

The Plus 4s club had another great dance Wednesday evening with caller Toby Thomason introducing the dancers to the calls that will comprise the 50 calls for mainstream and the 50 calls for plus that will be implemented by September. Calls will not only move from mainstream to plus but also 8 calls will be moved from A to plus. The 3 squares in attendance were introduced to 4 A-level calls: Pass the Sea, Scoot and Dodge, Pair Off, and Quarter Thru. The only Swinging Star in attendance was Ron See.

Of Interest Club Visitation

Friday, January 9 – Stone Steppers – Winter Dancing

The Swinging Stars surprised the Stone Steppers by showing up with enough members to capture their banner Friday evening. Club caller Bill Hinkley along with club cuer Christine Hixson called a good dance for the 4 squares of dancers present. It turned out to be a fun evening for the 6 Swinging Stars in attendance: the Harrises, Trujillos, Peggy Amy and Ron See.

Of Interest Club Visitation

Saturday, January 10 – Circle I – Let it Snow

The Circle I club held their “Let it Snow” dance with club caller Ray Savell and club cuer Chris Farabaugh Saturday evening. There were 6 squares of dancers on the floor after the Grand March. During the Plus workshop Ray introduced the dancers to a few of the new plus calls that were being moved from the A list. Of the total of 65 dancers present the Swinging Stars in attendance were the Amys, Kilejians, and Ron See.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

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

<https://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2026-01-Promenade.pdf>

Of Interest Club Visitation

Friday, January 16 – Texas Reelers – FROZEN

Where: Richardson Senior Center-- 830 W Arapaho, Richardson, TX

Callers: Deborah Carroll-Jones, Jon Jones

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

Time: Rounds 7:30 PM, Grand March 8:00 PM

Note: See page 20 of the **January Promenade** for more information.

Of Interest Club Visitation

Saturday, January 17 – Rebel Rousers – Bennett Bowl

Where: Richardson Senior Center-- 830 W Arapaho, Richardson, TX

Callers: Scott Bennett

Cuer: Christine Hixson

Time: Rounds 7:00 PM, Plus 7:30 PM, Dance 8:00 PM

Note: See page 22 of the **January Promenade** for more information.

Friday, January 23 – Swinging Stars – Baby, It's Cold Outside

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 26 of the **January** Promenade for more information.

Official Club Visitation – 51st Anniversary Dance

Friday, January 30 – Triangle Squares – Roaring 20's

Where: Swingtime Center-- 5100 SE Loop 820, Ft Worth, TX

Callers: Charlie Robertson, Toby Thomason

Cuer: David Berling

Time: Workshop 7:00 PM, Grand March 7:30 PM

Note: See page 28 of the **January** Promenade for more information.

Official Club Visitation – Anniversary Dance

Saturday, January 31 – Tri-City Promenaders – Elvis: Viva Las Vegas

Where: Swingtime Center-- 5100 SE Loop 820, Ft Worth, TX

Callers: Scott Bennett

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

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

Note: See page 29 of the **January** Promenade for more information.

*** * * OTHER EVENTS * * ***

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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, April 24, 2026 **Swinging Stars 51st Anniversary Dance**

Friday, July 24, 2026 **Swinging Stars Double Deal Dance**

Friday, September 25, 2026 **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.

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).

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Baby It's Cold Outside

January 23,
2026



Wear your
mittens, Scarfs
and mufflers

CALLER
DAVID TOMS

CUER
JAN TOMS

New Dancers
welcome

Early Rounds 7:30
Square up 8:00

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