



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club



Newsletter for November 17, 2024

Message from the Presidents

Richard and Jan Covington

We had a club meeting Sunday, November 10th, at Sonny Bryan's on Campbell Road in Richardson. It was a productive meeting, and we elected a new board. Your 02/01/2025 – 07/31/2026 officers are as follows:

President – John and Debbie Cave
1st Vice President – Charlie and Linda Harris
2nd Vice President – Ron & Donita See
Secretary – Chris & Merry Trujillo
Treasurer – Nevin & Sarah Mulvin

You will note very familiar names. Thank you all for your willingness to take a leadership role. John Cave, in addition to serving as 2025 president, volunteered to chair the lessons committee. He will need your help with advertising, as well as your signing-up as angels and individuals agreeing weekly-to-week to set out badges and sign-in sheets for students and angels.

We also discussed postponing lessons till March to follow a February demo for Network Ministries. However, Network has asked that we postpone our demo till September. David Toms asked the current students if they would be interested in continuing lessons/dancing in January & February. There have been clubs that have had on-going lessons/dance night with no formal start or finish date. Every week you could start new students. This might be a viable option to having sixteen weeks of lessons. It is actually the way square dancing was before “lessons” were introduced to teach new dancers. David T and I have discussed this as an option. Of course, a lot would have to be worked out and Tuesday lessons/dance night would have to be self-supporting on a pay-by-night basis. So, everyone attending would pay-to-dance. It would also provide a venue for new dancers, and retread dancers, from any club a place to come polish their calls and build confidence. Charlie has been successful using this method in building a Wednesday night group in Okla. Ask him about it.

On a more personal note, Monday, I will again have the pleasure of teaching Texas Reelers square dance lessons as Deborah Carroll Jones is having foot surgery that day. Their class has completed the 53 SSD calls and have started on the additional calls. The addition calls taught include Eight Chain Thru, Cloverleaf, Do Paso, Dixie Style to an OW, Walk and Dodge, Cross Run. Monday they will learn/review Allemande Thars, Slip the Clutch, Shoot the Star and Spin the Top. Tuesday night 11/19 I will call another demo for Kissin' Kuzzins' for The Open Door at UMC in Fairview. This is for a group of mentally challenged adults and the members of the church. God has blessed them with the spirit of loving, laughing, and having fun.

Continue to pray for Roger and Janelle Row. Roger is struggling and that is difficult for Janelle. 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



Join Us for Our Club Holiday Party!

Hey Team!

As the holiday season approaches, it's time to celebrate the wonderful year we've had together. I'm excited to invite you to our Club Holiday Party!

When: Friday, December 20th

Time: 5:30 pm

Where: Desperados Dos

3443 W Campbell Rd, Ste 550
Garland, TX 75044-8146

Website Menu: <https://www.desperadosrestaurant.com/>

RSVP by Dec 13th >> LindaHarrisTX@hotmail.com

Let's gather for a fun evening filled with good food, laughter, and great company! It's a perfect opportunity to share some holiday cheer, and reflect on all the amazing moments we've shared this year.

Feel free to bring a guest!

Looking forward to celebrating together and making more wonderful memories.

Happy Holidays!

Charlie and Linda Harris and your Swinging Stars Board

Beginner Square Dance Lesson - Every Tuesday 7-9pm!!

Location > Network Ministries 1500 International Pkwy #300, Richardson, TX



>>>>>The new dancers need angels! See you there!

A BIG thank you to all the "Lead" for lessons. Your support helps us move forward.

Thank you, angels for your support on

Tuesday November 5th, Nevin Mulvin, Peggy Amy, Harry Kilejian, Allen Taylor, Charlie and Linda Harris

Tuesday November 12th, Richard and Jan Covington, Nevin Mulvin, Harry Kilejian, Peggy Amy

| Lesson Date | Lead |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Nov 19 | Caves |
| Nov 26 | Peggy Amy |
| Dec 3 | |
| Dec 10 | |
| Dec 17 | |
| Jan 10 (last lesson) Club Dance | |

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 | 3/24/2024 |
| Log Cabin Swingers | 5/04/2024 |
| Texas Reelers | 10/18/2024 |
| Kissin' Kuzzins | 11/01/2024 |

Swinging Stars Banners Out

| Club | Date Captured |
|------------------|---------------|
| Triangle Squares | 2/23/2024 |
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EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval – Round-Up Theme Dance Saturday, November 16 – Rebel Rousers – Toy Land

The dynamic duo of Mike Bramlett and Bobby Willis did a spectacular job calling a bunch of Christmas tunes for all of the dancers to enjoy dancing and singing along throughout the evening. Christine also had a fine list of Christmas tunes for cueing to her mix of favorite rhythms for the round dancers enjoyment. Tonight, was a wonderful dance, with 50 visitors and 19 Texas Reelers in attendance. There were 6 squares in the Grand March and 8 couples round dancing after the first tip. Swinging Stars was able to Retrieve our Banner with 10 members. A big thank you to: Peggy Amy, Bursons, Covingtons, Harrises, Sees, and Chris Trujillo for supporting the Club's Official Visitation. Since this was a Pre-Round dance it was a double signature, we were able to get 2 more signatures toward our next Club Visitation Award patch. I am really proud to say, " You all did a great job tonight!"

*** COMING EVENTS ***

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

<https://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2024-11-Promenade.pdf>

Of Interest Club Visitation

Sunday, November 17 – Circle 8 – Let's Go Cruisin'

Where: Swingtime Center -- Loop 820 @ Anglin, Ft Worth

Callers: Scott Bennett, Vernon Jones & Charlie Robertson

Cuer: Jan Toms

Time: Early Rounds 4:30 – 5:00, Dancing 5:00 – 7:00, Plus 7:00 - 7:30

Note: See page 30 of the November Promenade for more information

Friday, November 22 – Swinging Stars – Happy Thanksgiving Double Deal Dance

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

Caller: Tim Tyl

Cuer: Jan Toms

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

Note: See page 34 of the November Promenade for more information or see flyer at the end of this newsletter.

Of Interest Club Visitation – Two Signatures Dance

Saturday, November 30 – CASUL – 50th Anniversary Dance

Where: Swingtime Center -- Loop 820 @ Anglin, Ft Worth

Callers: Charlie Robertson

Cuer: Jack von der Heide

Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Squares 7:30 - 10:00

Note: See page 36 of the November Promenade for more information

Friday, December 20 – Swinging Stars – Holiday Party

Where: Desperados Dos – 3443 W Campbell Rd, Ste 550, Garland, TX 75044-8146

Time: 5:30 PM

Note: RSVP by Dec 13th >> LindaHarrisTX@hotmail.com

Website Menu: <https://www.desperadosrestaurant.com/>

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

Friday, December 6, 2024 **NTCA Callers Cavalcade**

Saturday, December 7, 2024 **NORTEX 2024 Round-Up**

Friday, December 20, 2024 (5:30 PM) **Swinging Stars Holiday Party** at Desperados Dos
3443 W Campbell Rd, Ste 550
Garland, TX 75044-8146

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



Swinging Stars



Shake Your Tail Feathers

Happy Thanksgiving Double Deal Dance



Caller:
Tim Tyl

November 22, 2024

Cuer:
Jan Toms



Early Rounds: 7:30



Grand March: 8:00



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



Banners, Honey Pot, Fun, Lite Snacks, Fellowship, Great Dancing
Dancers under 18 dance free when accompanied by a paying adult

For info: 214-675-6523 OR president@swingingstars.org

Visit our website: www.swingingstars.org



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Swinging Stars

Holiday and Student Dance

Club members Come Celebrate the Holiday Season with us and bring your students. Students are FREE if they wear their Student Badges. There will be designated tips for students, but may stay longer to watch or dance if they wish.

Caller: David Toms

Cuer: Jan Toms



Early Rounds 7:30

Square up 8:00



December 13, 2024



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