



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club



Newsletter for February 15, 2026

Message from the Presidents

John and Debbie Cave

No input for the newsletter this week.

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Message from the 1st Vice Presidents

Charlie and Linda Harris

No input for the newsletter this week.

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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 \$20.00 for single member and \$40.00 for a couple. Dues for six months are \$40.00 for a single member and \$80.00 for a couple.

Please pay your 1st quarter dues at our next dance (Feb. 27, 2026) 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

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	1/09/26

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured

***EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK**

Of Interest Club Visitation

Friday, February 13 – Stone Steppers – Valentine's Dance

The Stone Steppers held a lively Valentine's Dance with club caller Bill Hinkley and club cuer Christine Hixson. There were 3 squares and 4 couples for the square dancing and rounds, respectively. As usual, there were plenty of snacks and desserts for everyone. The Texas Reelers came with 10 members to outnumber all the other visitors. The lone Swinging Star to attend was Ron See.

Of Interest Club Visitation

Saturday, February 14 – Circle I – Valentine Party

Circle I had a very successful Valentine's Day dance Saturday evening despite the rain, the new temporary location, and the number of dancers that went on the cruise. Club caller Ray Savell and club cuer Chris Farabaugh used lots of Love songs to help set the mood for the dancing. There were 6 squares on the floor after the Grand March and Chris had 4-8 couples round dancing throughout the evening. There were 73 dancers in attendance which included 4 Swinging Stars: the Kilejians, Peggy Amy, and Ron See.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

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

<https://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2026-02-Promenade.pdf>

Of Interest Club Visitation

Friday, February 20 – Kissin' Kuzzins – Come Dance with Kissin' Kuzzins

Where: Gale Fields Rec Center – 1701 Dairy Rd, Garland, TX

Caller: Bill Hinkley

Time: Plus 7:30, Square up 8:00

Note: See page 23 of the **February Promenade** for more information.

Of Interest Club Visitation

Saturday, February 21 – Rebel Rousers – Black & White Ball

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

Callers: Darryl Lipscomb, Mike Bramlett

Cuer: Christine Hixson

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

Note: See page 27 of the **February Promenade** for more information.

February Ladies Luncheon

Wednesday, February 25, 2026

Merry Trujillo will be hosting the February Ladies Luncheon. It will be at the Ellie's Café & Tea Room (Formerly The Chocolate Angel), 800 N Central Expy, Plano, Texas 75074-6736 on February 25th at 1:00 pm. RSVP to Merry by calling her at 214-802-4721 or email her at merry.trujillo@gmail.com, before February 20, so she can confirm the reservation

Friday, February 27 – Swinging Stars – Mardi Gras

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.

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

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Notes from the February 1 NORTEX Quarterly Meeting:

Before the NORTEX meeting Vernon Jones talked about the CallerLab approval of the new Plus List. This new list will be implemented in September of this year. 14 calls will be moved from Mainstream to Plus and 8 calls will be moved from A1 to Plus so that there will be 50 calls in Mainstream and 50 calls in Plus. This change will be Worldwide not just in the U.S.

NORTEX membership renewal forms to clubs will be sent out in mid-March and must be returned by May 1.

The new President of NTCA is Charlie Robertson and Vice President Vernon Jones. Their Installation dance will be March 1 and Tony Oxendine will be calling. I know there is an All Plus dance featuring Tony from 4-6 pm – that is their installation dance and it will be free.

Round Up 2026 will be held at a different venue since Swingtime is not available. They are still working on finding a venue and which staff callers will be used.

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).

Dave Burson

Newsletter Editor

Swinging Stars

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Square up 8:00

FEB 27 | FRIDAY | 7:30PM

Caller: Charlie Robertson **Cuer: Jan Toms**

Network of Community Ministries
1500 International Pkwy Ste. 300
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Dancers under 18 dance FREE with paying adult



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