

Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for March 9, 2025

Message from the Presidents

John and Debbie Cave

Another week has gone by and many tax returns have been finished. Working for AARP is almost like not being retired. Hope you all enjoyed dancing this past weekend. We look forward to seeing you in a square at our "All Things Irish" dance next Friday. Remember to wear your Green.

We started the Quilt Raffle ticket sales and plan to continue up to May 30th. Don't forget to buy your tickets. Lon and Nevin will be selling at the Red Truck Café to increase the sales.

Please also note if you are a plus dancer that Plus Fours has rescheduled their March dance to Wednesday March 19th.

Some Square Dance Trivia:

Square dancing is strongly associated with what country?

A: The United States, in part due to its association with the romanticized image of the American cowboy.

How many states have designated it as their official state dance?

A: 31.

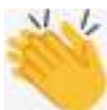
After the American Revolution what became especially popular?

A: The quadrille.

See you in a square,
John and Debbie Cave

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. David and Jan Toms will be hosting a Square Dance Program every Tuesday – all levels, but experience necessary.

Location: Network of Community Ministries

New dancers and their friends are welcome to join us to learn basic Square Dancing and have a blast. All pay at the door.

Let us make some music together with a night filled with laughter, rhythm and community!

Canceled

2nd VP Report

Ron and Donita 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
Log Cabin Swingers	5/04/2024

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Circle I	1/24/2025
Rebel Rousers	2/28/2025

EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

Of Interest Club Visitation

Friday, March 7 – Kissin' Kuzzins – Denim and Pearls

The Kissin' Kuzzins held an amazing dance with the dancers attired in both denim and pearls. The floor had mostly 4 squares all evening with Texas Hall of Fame caller Mike Bramlett both teaching and challenging the dancers. It was an entertaining evening with Mike ending the evening with a tip that included a lot of Dad jokes. The Swinging Stars in attendance were the Bursons, Harrises, Sees and Trujillos which allowed us to retrieve our banner and get another signature toward attaining our club 1240 patch.

Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval

Saturday, March 8 – Circle I – It's Mardi Gras

No report submitted.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

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

<https://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2025-03-Promenade.pdf>

Wednesday March 12, 2025 Ladies Luncheon

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

Ladies, please reserve Wednesday, March 12th 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 March 10th.

Thank you,
Debbie Cave

Friday, March 14 – Swinging Stars – All Things Irish

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

Caller: Mike Bramlett

Cuer: Jan Toms

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

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

Official Club Visitation – Banner Retrieval

Saturday, March 15 – Rebel Rousers – St. Patrick's Day

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

Caller: Mike Bramlett

Cuer: Christine Hixson

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

Note: See page 24 of the **March** Promenade for more information.

Of Interest Club Visitation for Plus Dancers

Wednesday, March 19 – Plus 4s

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

Caller: Toby Thomason

Time: Plus 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Of Interest Club Visitation – Banner Raid

Friday, March 21 – Texas Reelers – Funky Town

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 29 of the **March** Promenade for more information.

Friday, March 28 – Swinging Stars – March Madness

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

Caller: Bobby Willis

Cuer: Jan Toms

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

Note: See page 37 of the **March** Promenade for more information.

Sunshine information

From Peggy Amy and Nina Lassiter our Sunshine Reporters

Sad news from Kathy Estep

On November 16th, Bob passed out on our carport - not breathing. At the hospital, he had pneumonia, a tracheotomy, and he was on a ventilator. He also had 90% of his heart blocked. Now, he is alert writing messages and thinking clearly. He is very alert writing up a storm on his paper!

Hospice is bringing him home (3249 Sailmaker Lane, Plano,) on Tuesday, March 11.

While he is able, he wants to see friends and neighbors Wednesday, March 12 and Thursday, March 13. Before your visit, please call 972-467-4973 to let us know you are coming.

Kathy

Bob and Kathy our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Peggy Amy

Dennis Dennison, age 78 of Dallas, TX passed away peacefully with his loving wife Karen and children by his side on February 26, 2025 after the result of an injury from a fall.

Dennis and Karen were members of the Swinging Stars for many years.

For Dennis Dennison's Full Obituary, click on the following link:

<https://neptunesociety.com/obituaries/plano-tx/dennis-dennison-12264166>

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, July 25, 2025 **Swinging Stars Double Deal** Dance

Friday, September 26, 2025 **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@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

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See Flyers below



Swinging Stars

Happy St. Patrick's Day

Celebrating

All Things Irish



March 14, 2025



Caller: Mike O'Bramlett

Cuer: Jan O'Toms



Early Rounds 7:30

Square up: 8:00



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1500 International Pkwy Ste.300

Banner Lite Snacks Singles Board Honey Pot



Dancers under 18 dance **FREE** with paying adults



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MARCH MADNESS



Caller:



Bobby Willis

Friday, March 28, 2025

Cuer:



Jan Toms

Square Dance Attire

OR

Show Your Team
Spirit By Wearing
Your Favorite
Team Shirt



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