



# Swinging Stars

## Square and Round Dance Club

*Newsletter for April 28, 2024*

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### Message from the Presidents

**Richard and Jan Covington**

It is official, NORTEX voted and agreed to be an affiliate member TSFSRD. You will find attached a copy of the NORTEX acceptance letter. (See the letter at the end of the newsletter.)

If you miss the demo and our dance, you missed a really good time and you were missed. We started the evening with the NORTEX demo at Primrose pre-school. They were having an open house for kids, parents and grandparents. The caller was our NTCA President, Toby Thomason. Toby called an invigorating pace to some of our favorite tunes. As the crowd would step out to see what was going on he would play a line dance and encouraged the on-lookers to join in. The last square dance tip we were able to get a-few from the crowd involved. We had almost enough for two squares. Swinging Stars in attendance included John & Debbie Cave, Chris & Merry Trujillo, Linda & Charlie Harris, Peggy Amy, Jan & Richard Covington. Also in attendance were members from NORTEX including Vince Matej and Rebel Rousers' Gene Geyer and others.

The demo crew all came to our regular dance as it was immediately following. We had 23 Visitors and 22 Swinging Stars but you would have thought the hall was full. Jan, as always, was fabulous on the Rounds. Charlie had us kicking up our heels and moving around in his unique style. Members and visitors all had a great time.

Aren't Debbie and Jim Reid doing a great job with declarations. Be sure to give them a bid Yellow Rock and tell how much we appreciate them.

If you haven't heard, our 49<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance is May 10<sup>th</sup> and we hope all of our members will be able to attend. We would like **ALL** members to attend those dancing and those unable to dance. If you would like to help and haven't already signed up, call Lorraine to find out what is needed. Nevertheless, come and enjoying the festivities and socializing with your friends whether you dance or not. Yes, I intentionally repeated myself as we all want you to come.

The news says tornadoes went through Sulphur, OK last night. I sent Charlie and Kristy a message this morning and Kristy answered with the following:

Charlie and I were not home. Our family are ok we are headed home now to see what damage we have.

Keep those in Sulphur, OK in your prayers.

I will see you in a square,

**Richard C**

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## From: Lorraine Burson chairman of the Swinging Stars 49<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance.

I would like to say this about the Anniversary dance information. On April 30 I am going to send out a message to the Swinging Stars to remind all of you of what you have volunteered to do to help make the dance a big success, and the time to be there to get started setting up etc. Please be sure that your read the message.

## May 10, 2024 -- 49<sup>th</sup> Swinging Stars Anniversary Dance -- Dancing with the Stars

THEME BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: "Dancing with the Stars"

May 10, 2024, Early Rounds at 7:00 to 8:00, **Grand March 8:00**

Dear Swinging Star Members,

Thank you to all of our Swinging Star members, thanks for you volunteering to help. But, for those of you that have not had a chance to sign up to help with the Anniversary Dance. I am waiting to hear from you!! Of course, there is a flyer at the end of this Newsletter. It gives you important info about the where when etc. What I want to give you now is information to help you get signed up to help making the Anniversary dance a success. All members are expected to help wherever and when they can. I have had a few say they are going to be out of town on the date of the Anniversary Dance. That happens sometimes. Just so you know you may need to sign up to help with more than one service. I want to tell you about something more that I just received a few weeks that is listed in the flyer in the newsletter, we will be having a money raffle for \$100. By purchasing tickets for the money raffle, you also have a chance to win 1 of ten \$20 dinner gift certificates to the Red Truck Café.

**Please Call me if you have not already signed up to help!** May 10 will be here before you know it.  
Lorraine Burson

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## Message from the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Presidents

**Charlie and Linda Harris**

A "BIG" thank you to Debbie and Jim Reid for the fabulous decorations. San Jancinto Day!



**"Thanks to all" for showing up early to help with setup and stay for tear down.**

## Mainstream Lessons

Those angels continuing to show up for support, we appreciated you!

### Women angels are needed!

Location: Liberty Rec Center  
2601 Glencliff Drive  
Plano, TX 75075  
Mondays 7:15 PM

See you in a square,  
Charlie and Linda Harris – 1st VP

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> 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
Kissin' Kuzzins	4/19/2024

#### Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Tri-City Promenaders	7/14/2023
Triangle Squares	2/23/2024
Rebel Rousers	2/23/2024

### \*\*\*EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK\*\*\*

#### Of Interest Club Visitation for Round Dancers

#### Sunday, April 28 – Harvest Holiday – Spring Fun Rounds

No Report.

### \*\*\* COMING EVENTS \*\*\*

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

<https://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2024-05-Promenade.pdf>

#### Of Interest Club Visitation for Plus Dancers

#### Wednesday, May 1 – Plus 4s

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

**Caller:** Toby Thomason

**Time:** Plus 7:00

#### Official Club Visitation – Banner Raid

#### Friday, May 3 – Texas Reelers – Friday Fiesta

**Where:** Richardson Senior Center - - 820 W. Arapaho Rd, Richardson

**Caller:** Deborah Carroll Jones & Jon Jones

**Cuer:** Chris Farabaugh

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

**Note:** See page 11 of the May Promenade for more information

## Friday, May 10 – Swinging Stars – 49<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance Dancing with the Stars

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

**Guest Caller:** Jet Roberts

**Caller:** Charlie Robertson

**Cuer:** Jan Toms

**Time:** Early Rounds 7:00, Dance 8:00

**Note:** See page 19 of the May Promenade for more information

### \* \* \* OTHER EVENTS \* \* \*

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

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## Sunshine information

From Peggy Amy and Nina Lassiter our Sunshine Reporters

No Sunshine news this week.

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](mailto: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.

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## Special dates to put on your calendar

Friday, May 10, 2024 **Swinging Stars 49<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** Dance

Sunday, May 19, 2024, 4:00 PM **Swinging Stars General Club meeting** at Spring Creek BBQ  
270 N Central Expy, Richardson, TX 75080

Friday, October 11, 2024 **Swinging Stars Round up Theme** Dance

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

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## Web Master Dave Burson

Be sure to check out our web page: [www.swingingstars.org](http://www.swingingstars.org)

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

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## 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](mailto: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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**Dave Burson**

**Newsletter Editor**

**Swinging Stars**

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**See Flyers below**





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49<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

MAY 10, 2024



**Guest Caller: Jet Roberts**  
**Club Caller: Charlie Robertson**  
**Cuer: Jan Toms**

Early Rounds 7:00

Grand March 8:00

\$100 Money Raffle with a  
chance to win 1 of 10, \$20 Gift  
Certificates to Red Truck Cafe

Network Ministries Building

1500 International Pkwy Ste 300

Richardson Tx. 75081

Refreshments

Banners

Singles Board

Honey pot

Dancers under 18 dance free when accompanied by paying adult

Info: 972-396-0941 or President @swinging stars.org

Visit our Website: [www.swingingstars.org](http://www.swingingstars.org)



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Audrey Mansell, President  
NORTEX – North Texas Square and Round Dance Association  
1691 Brannon Bridge Circle  
Millsap, Texas 76066

April 23, 2024

Matthew Whiteacre, President  
Texas State Federation of Square and Round Dancers  
PO Box 2176  
Midland, Texas 79702-2176

Dear Matt:

I am writing to confirm that on April 21, 2024, the North Texas Square and Round Dance Association delegates voted to accept your invitation to unite with Texas State Federation of Square and Round Dancers as an Affiliated Member.

The NORTEX dancers look forward to enjoying a spirit of unity between NORTEX and TSFSRD. We will join you to show off that great Texas hospitality as we welcome dancers from across the United States and around the World to the 75<sup>th</sup> National Square Dance Convention to be held in Waco, Texas in 2026.

We have a good group coming to dance with you all at the State Festival on June 15<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,

Audrey Mansell  
NORTEX President