



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for January 15, 2023

Message from Presidents

John and Debbie Cave

We had a wonderful dance on Friday night with many friends and visitors. We had 22 Swinging Stars and 21 visitors dancing. Our new Club Cuer, Jan Toms, was well received with 5 or 6 round dance couples sharing the floor. Charlie did his usual energetic calling and had us dancing to TV and movie theme music. It is nice to have our great caller and cuer supporting our club.

Our lessons are off to a good start and there is room for more students. We had a good number of angels out for the first night and will continue to want them for future lessons. Plan to let Richard Covington know which Mondays you can support.

Our Anniversary Dance is scheduled for March 31st, with Diane Stewart heading it up. Please volunteer when she asks you to help. It will be a good dance with Bobby Willis and Charlie Robertson calling and Jan Toms cueing.

Thanks to those of you who have paid your dues. If you have not paid yet, get with Nevin as soon as you can to keep our finances in line.

John and Debbie Cave

1st Quarter Dues are past due

Members that normally pay quarterly and members that pay for six months or a year, your dues are due for the first quarter.

Dues for a quarter are \$27.50 for single member and \$55.00 for a couple. Dues for six months are \$55.00 for a single member and \$110.00 for a couple.

Please pay your 1st quarter dues at our next dance (Jan. 27, 2023) or mail your check, payable to the Swinging Stars, to the treasurer:

Nevin R Mulvin
3409 Eisenhower Ln
Plano, TX 75023-3933

Swinging Stars Square Dance Lessons Started January 9, 2023

There were five students Monday including our very own Bob & Kathy Estep. At least two are with Pegasus group. Nevin has indicated he will pay for lessons if we need an eight person. There were fourteen Angels - 8 Swinging Stars counting Nevin Mulvin, Bob & Gay Allen, Loraine & Dave Burson, Pete Abshire and Jan & Richard Covington; 6 Pegasus; one Circle I. We actually had 9 SS's but one couple asked to go home if they weren't needed. Since we are close to the minimum required 8, we thought we should give it one more week. Hopefully we will pickup one or more new couples this

week. **If you know anyone that might be interested in Square Dancing, bring them to the Liberty Recreation Center Monday night. We need three more people for the class to make.**

We are not having lessons for the sake of having lessons, but because we need new dancers that not only come to learn but ultimately join a club. As we all need organic growth. More information is on the Swinging Stars website (<http://www.swingingstars.org/>) or you can click on the following link to get a copy of the flyer:

http://www.swingingstars.org/2023_Jan_Square_Dance_Lessons.pdf

Dance Setup & Takedown

From Dave and Lorraine Burson

I want to send a BIG THANK YOU to the Set up and Take Down committee that came early to the Dance Friday January 13th: John and Debbie Cave, Charlie and Linda Harris, Nick and Diane Stewarts for helping to get Dance Hall ready for our dance. I would like to point out and thank Neven and Sarah Mulvin along with Lon Bushell were there to get their Sign in table ready for the dance and Ron and Donita See were there to get all the banners put up. Jobs that these two Officers of the club have to do before each dance. These couples are a vital part of the club membership and we appreciate them very much, Thank you to all.

Please see the setup and takedown schedule through the end of March 2023. Notice there some differences in the contents of the list. I am referring to the fact that the Kilejians are not able to be there in time to do the setup, but will be willing to help by taking down.

Also, the March 31st Dance is the Anniversary Dance. Diane Stewart is the Chairperson for the dance and will be contacting each member to help. There will be a complete Anniversary Dance Committee that will be in charge of getting all the set up and the entire club will be on the cleanup committee. Please sign up to help with the Anniversary dance by saying YES, I would love to help, when Diane contacts you. This is your club and everyone is needed to help make it a great dance.

Volunteers are Needed: I need two more couples to help for the March 10th. Please call Lorraine at (972) 396-0941 if you are willing to help. We appreciate all that have already helped, but we will need you to help again soon. Please volunteer!

The Bursons and the Caves will be there to help assist with the set up and take down. **Please arrive between 6:45 and & before 7:00 for regular dance nights to have ample time to get set up.**

Thank you,

Dave and Lorraine Burson

The new 1st Vice Presidents

Dance Date	Setup & Takedown Crews		Location
Jan 13, 2023	Stewarts	Bursons	Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
Jan 27, 2023	Harris	C. Trujillo	Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
Feb 10, 2023	Nestors	L. Bushell	Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
Feb 24, 2023	Allens	P. Amy	Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
Mar 10, 2023		Kilejians (take down only)	Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
Mar 31, 2023	Anniversary Committee	All members Clean up	Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

SWINGING STARS 48TH ANNIVERSARY

From Diane Stewart, 2023 Anniversary Dance Chairman

Another year has passed and it's time to celebrate another anniversary, 48th year of the Swinging Stars, on Friday the 31st of March, 2023, at the Chapel Hill United Methodist Church.

Debbie Reid is chairing the Decoration Committee, Linda Harris is chairing the Publicity Committee, Lorraine Burson is donating one of her quilts and chairing the Raffle Committee, and the 3 Amigos will be at the sign-up table. That's all I have until next time. I will find a job for every member. Sign-up sheets will be available at our January 27th dance. A special thanks to my bookends: Lorraine and Linda

What were you doing in 1975? I was single and working for Collins Radio in Newport Beach, California. In the summer we played beach volleyball on Thursday after work and then on to Little John's for beers. I had a few hangovers on Friday but I always made it to work.

2nd VP Report

From 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
T Square Gadabouts	4/19/2019
Rebel Rousers	8/20/2022
Tri-City Promenaders	10/22/2022
Circle I	12/10/2022
Texas Reelers	01/06/2023

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Trailblazers	4/30/2022
Triangle Squares	8/26/2022

Most NORTEX clubs have resumed dancing. Most clubs that have resumed dancing have ads in the *Promenade*. To reach the *January Promenade*, click here:

<http://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2023-01-Promenade.pdf>

EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

Of Interest Club Visitation

Saturday, January 14 – Circle I – 2023 Resolution

The Circle I club had their first dance of the year at their new location. There were 6 squares on the floor after the grand march with the event tallying a total of 63 dancers. Club caller Ray Savell was joined by their club cuer Chris Farabaugh. The new venue will be big enough to hold their anniversary dance and has a great floating wooden floor. The stage was in a corner of the room and it was decided that the squares should square up to the stage instead of the walls which made it more difficult to keep the lines straight – but everyone had a great time. The Swinging Stars in attendance were the Sees.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

LADIES LUNCHEON

Wednesday, January 18, 2023 AT 11:30

The Ladies Luncheon will be hosted by Kathy Estep, on January 18, 2023 at 11:30 AM. The luncheon will be at the First Watch Cafe on Wednesday 18 at 11:30. Located at 3131 Custer Road and Parker, Plano.

Contact Kathy at either 972-679-8572 or email at bobestep@hotmail.com by Jan 17th so Kathy can notify the First Watch Cafe how many Ladies will be attend lunch. Enjoy Fresh, made-to-order breakfast, brunch and lunch creations. The Swinging Star Ladies would love it if the Associate Swinging Stars Ladies would come out to lunch and visit with us. Please come we would love to see you and visit with you. Visit the First Watch by going to www.firstwatch.com/menu.

Official Club Visitation – Anniversary Dance

Friday, January 20 – Triangle Squares – Mardi Gras

Where: Denton Civic Center - - 321 E McKinney, Denton

Caller: Tim Tyl, Toby Thomason

Cuer: David Berling

Time: Rounds 7:00, Squares 7:30

Note: See page 23 of the January Promenade for more information

Of Interest Club Visitation

Saturday, January 21 – Rebel Rousers – Ugly Sweater

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

Caller: Mike Bramlett

Cuer: Christine Hixson

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

Note: See page 24 of the January Promenade for more information

Of Interest Club Visitation

Sunday, January 22 – NTCA – Officer Installation Dance

Where: Senter Park Rec Center - - 901 Senter Park, Irving

Callers: NTCA callers

Cuers: NTCA cuers

Time: 7:00 – 9:00

Note: See page 26 of the January Promenade for more information

Friday, January 27 – Swinging Stars – Winter Wonderland

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

Caller: Charlie Robertson

Cuer: Jan Toms

Time: Rounds 7:30, Dance 8:00

Note: See page 17 of the January Promenade for more information

Of Interest Club Visitation

Saturday, January 28 – Tri-City Promenaders – Barn Dance

Where: Calvary Lutheran Church - - 7620 Baker Blvd, Richland Hills

Caller: Ray Savell

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

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

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

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

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Sunshine information

From Peggy Amy our Sunshine Reporter

No news to report.

Let's keep in touch by sharing news in our Newsletter.

Please send to Peggy Amy amybpeggy@verizon.net

Special dates to put on your calendar

Monday, January 9, 2023, **Swinging Stars Lessons** start at Liberty Rec. Center in Plano.

Friday, March 31, 2023, **Swinging Stars 48th Anniversary** Dance.

Friday, July 28, 2023 **Swinging Stars Double Deal** 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.

For information about weekend dances, go to our Web Page and click on Weekends.

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



Come out and Learn to

SQUARE DANCE

Try something new in 2023

Connect with other fun People

Dance to some of your favorite music

Its fun engaging and relaxing

Famous couple date night activity

Less than \$5.00 pre night per person

Modern Square Dance (Beg) #51408

Location: Liberty Recreation Center
2601 Glenduff Dr., Plano Tex.75075
Phone 972-769-4234

January 9, 2023 to May 22, 2023

Mon. 7:15 PM - 9:15 PM

Instructor: David Toms

Registration Starts

Residents Dec. 3, 2023 at 8:00 AM

Non Residents Dec. 5 at 5:00 AM

Number of sessions 20

First session January 9 is FREE

Fee Per Person

Resident \$95.00

Non Resident \$99.00

10% Discount for 60 or more years old

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Square and Round Dance Club

For more information call:

John Cave 972-836-3201 or Email: 20jec18@gmail.com

See website: www.swingingstars.org

SWINGING STARS

January 13th and 27th



Banners
Honey Pot
Singles Board



Charlie Robertson
Club Caller



Club Cues
Jan Toms



Location Change!

Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

Early Rounds 7:30
Square Up 8:00

12411 Templeton Trail

Farmers Branch TX 75234



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