



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for December 11, 2022

Message from Presidents

John and Debbie Cave

Our December dance on Friday was a good one with Charlie calling and Chris Farabaugh cueing. We started with 5 squares and ended the last tip with four squares. Charlie kept the pace up and we all enjoyed his calling. The Texas Reelers had enough folks to take home our banner, so we'll need to go retrieve it. We recognized Dave and Lorraine Burson as our First Vice Presidents, filling in for the Rodgers who needed to step down. There were 22 Swinging Stars and 20 visitors, including a couple from Clovis California.

Remember our lessons start on January 9th at the Liberty Recreation Center in Plano. Please tell your friends about the lessons and share the posts on Facebook to help the advertising.

Here is some Christmas history for your reading pleasure:

The legend of Santa Claus can be traced back hundreds of years to a monk named St. Nicholas. It is believed that Nicholas was born sometime around A.D. 280 in Patara, near Myra in modern-day Turkey. Much admired for his piety and kindness, St. Nicholas became the subject of many legends. It is said that he gave away all his inherited wealth and traveled the countryside helping the poor and sick. One of the best-known St. Nicholas stories is the time he saved three poor sisters from being sold into slavery or prostitution by their father by providing them with a dowry so that they could be married.

John and Debbie Cave

Swinging Stars December Lady Stars Luncheon

Ladies, Monday (tomorrow) is the last day to confirm your attendance to the December Lady Stars Luncheon at The Red Truck Cafe, 910 W Parker Rd, Plano on Wednesday, December 14 at 11:30am. I must call the cafe tomorrow to make the reservation. So far only 7 ladies have contacted me to confirm. My email is dacave2016@gmail.com or you may call me at 972-623-7524. Looking forward to seeing you all!

Swinging Stars Square Dance Lessons Starts January 9, 2023

Lessons start on January 9th at the Liberty Recreation Center in Plano. Lessons are from 7:15p to 9:00p and will run through May. We will be combining with the Pegasus Squares and Rebel Rousers clubs to obtain economies of scale. David Toms will be teaching the lessons. We will need angels to help with lessons and build relationships with the students. Good friendships are the basis for members joining our club at the end of lessons. We are still looking for a lessons coordinator, so please let us know if you are willing to serve our club in this way.

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](http://www.swingingstars.org/2023%20Jan%20Square%20Dance%20Lessons.pdf)

Dance Setup & Takedown

From Dave and Lorraine Burson

Thank you, Harry and Zari Kilejian, John and Debbie Cave, and Charlie and Linda Harris for helping with setup and takedown at our last Friday dance. There were some others that helped but I didn't get their names. With your help we were able to have a great dance for our club.

Please see the setup and takedown schedule through the end of March 2023.

Volunteers are Needed: We need volunteers for set up and take down in January, February, and March. Please call me at (972) 396-0941 if you can help

If you are unable to do your schedule date, please find someone to trade with and let Lorraine know by phone at (972) 396-0941 or email at lorraine@bursons.us.

We will start setting up at 7pm.

Thank you

Dave and Lorraine Burson

Dance Date	Setup & Takedown Crews	Location
Jan 13, 2023	Bursons	Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
Jan 27, 2023	Harris	Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
Feb 10, 2023		Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
Feb 24, 2023		Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
Mar 10, 2023		Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
Mar 31, 2023		Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

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
Kissin' Kuzzins	10/21/2022
Tri-City Promenaders	10/22/2022
Circle I	12/10/2022

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Trailblazers	4/30/2022
Triangle Squares	8/26/2022
Texas Reelers	12/09/2022

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

<http://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2022-12-Promenade.pdf>

*****EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK*****

Of Interest Club Visitation for Plus Dancers

Wednesday, December 7 – Plus 4s

Thank you to the 9 Swinging stars that visited with the Plus 4's on Wednesday night. The dance was a lot of fun. Toby was on top of his game calling all Christmas tunes. We sang along with him as he called. He ask if we wanted to dance on January 4th or cancel it because it was so close to the New Years . We all decided that we want to dance on the January 4th. I hope to see more of us at the next Plus 4's dance. Thank you to Peggy Amy, Bursons, Caves, Kilejians and Rodgers for supporting this Of interest club visitation. We were able to get a signature toward the 1120 Club Visitation Award Patch.

Official Club Visitation – Anniversary Dance

Saturday, December 10 – Circle I – Christmas Ball

The Circle I club held their anniversary dance on a very wet and rainy evening but had a great turnout in spite of the weather. They had 10 squares after the Grand March and had 7 squares on the floor most of the evening. Club caller Ray Savell, guest caller Charlie Robertson and club cuer Chris Farabaugh provided a very merry Christmas Ball. The 7 Swinging Stars who helped capture the Circle I banner were: Pete Abshire, the Kilejians, Rodgers, and Sees.

***** COMING EVENTS *****

LADIES LUNCHEON

Wednesday December 14, 2022 AT 11:30

The December Lady Stars Luncheon will be hosted by Debbie Cave. It will be at the Red Truck Cafe at 910 W Parker Rd, Plano on **Wednesday, December 14** at 11:30am. Please contact Debbie at dacave2016@gmail.com to let her know if you will attend. She needs to know by Monday, December 12 in order to make reservations. You may view the menu at www.redtruckcafe.com. Hope to see you there.

Of Interest Club Visitation for Plus Dancers

Thursday, December 15 – Plus Squared – Double Deal

Where: Goodbar Recreation Center - - 3000 Concord Drive, Mesquite

Caller: Bill Hinkley

Time: Workshop 6:30, Plus 7:00

Note: See page 25 of the December Promenade for more information

Of Interest Club Visitation

Friday, December 16 – Texas Reelers – Candy Cane Christmas

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

Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones, Jon Jones

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

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

Note: See page 29 of the December Promenade for more information

Of Interest Club Visitation

Saturday, December 17 – Rebel Rousers – Holiday Dance

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 30 of the December Promenade for more information

* * * OTHER EVENTS * * *

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Sunshine information

From Peggy Amy our Sunshine Reporter

It was good to see Bob and Janet Rodgers Wednesday night at the Plus 4's dance.

Janet went along with Bob for the ride and enjoyed visiting with everyone. She is pleased with the progress she is making with her shoulder after having surgery. Getting back on the dance floor is her best incentive to do all she can for a complete recovery. We miss you Janet and Bob! Come by and visit us at our January dance.

[No Birthdays or Anniversaries this week.](#)

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.

Saturday, March 31, 2023, **Swinging Stars 48th Anniversary** 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



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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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For more information call:

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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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