



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for February 12, 2023

Message from the Presidents

Dave and I were filling in for the Presidents because John and Debbie were off for a weekend of fun at Lake Murry.

The dance on Friday was short on numbers but big with quality as we danced to some sweet love tunes. Everyone had a fun time dancing to Jan Toms' cueing and Mike Bramlett's calling. This duo had fun doing their jobs making the dance special for our Valentine Dance. We had 18 visitors and 20 Swinging Stars, for a total of 38 attending. There were 3 squares most all evening and as many as 6 Round Dance couples all thru the dance. The Triangle Squares retrieved their banner and the Rebel Rousers captured our banner.

Dave and Lorraine Burson

Dance Setup & Takedown

From Dave and Lorraine Burson

1st Vice Presidents

First off all we want to thank all these kind members that showed up to help get set up for our Valentines Dance. Thank you to the Nestor's for helping with the setting up and taking down. Thank you to the Harrises for filling in for the See's and helping with the set up and take down. I also thank the Stewart's for coming in to help. The Melvin's, and Lon Bushnell as usual were there to get their table ready for the evening of signing in the guests for the evening. I believe I also saw Pete Abshire there helping with the set up and take down. I would be remiss if I didn't mention that David and Jan Toms were in plenty of time to get the table and equipment ready for the Cueing and Calling. I want to send a Thank you to Bob and Kathy Estep for being there and helping with selling raffle tickets during the dance. Also, we want to say thank you to Zari Kilejian for offering the prayer. If we missed anyone, we are truly sorry, we do appreciate all that help out with making the Dance a good time for all.

Please see the setup and takedown schedule through the end of April 2023. We are in need of members to help with getting the Hall ready. I will try to get to every available member to help. It does take quite a bit of time to contact all of you so it would be helpful if you could contact Lorraine and tell her you are available on these upcoming dates listed on the schedule.

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.

This is your club and everyone is needed to help make a great dance.

Volunteers are Needed: We appreciate all that have already helped, but we will need you to help again soon. Please volunteer! Also, the March 31st Dance is the Anniversary Dance. Diane Stewart is the Chairperson.

Dave and Lorraine are picking up Jim the Building Manager before each dance and we will be there to help assist with the set up and take down. **Please arrive at 6:45 for regular dance nights to have ample time to get set up.**

Volunteers are Needed:

Thank you,
 Dave and Lorraine Burson
 1st Vice Presidents

Dance Date	Setup & Takedown Crews		Location
Feb 24, 2023	Allens	P. Amy, A Masala N. Miramontes	Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
Mar 10, 2023	Reids	Kilejians (take down only)	Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
Mar 31, 2023	Anniversary Committee	All members Clean up	Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
April 14, 2023	Covingtons		Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
April 28, 2023			Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

SWINGING STARS 48TH ANNIVERSARY

From Diane Stewart, 2023 Anniversary Dance Chairman

DANCING WITH THE STARS is next month. That's the theme of our 48th Anniversary Dance scheduled for Friday, March 31. I only need a few more volunteers to help greet, for kitchen duty, and for setup/decorations. I will also need additional food packs. I will be sending an e-mail in the next few days with the details. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Diane Stewart
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 dianestewart001@tt.net

This from Lorraine Burson

I have donated a Quilt to the Swinging Stars for a Quilt Raffle. It will be display for all to see at the Dance on February 24th, as we will be selling Raffle tickets at dances. We will also be selling on March 10th, as well as at the Anniversary Dance on March 31st. We have done it this way in the past, by starting early selling raffle tickets gives more Raffle Participants the chance to purchase tickets. Tickets holders need not be present to win. **The drawing for the quilt will be at our Anniversary Dance on March 31, 2023.** Purchasing tickets early, one only need to write their Name and Phone Number on the back of their tickets and drop them in to the ticket box. If your ticket is drawn, we will call you and tell you. "You are the winner of this beautiful quilt."

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
Tri-City Promenaders	10/22/2022
Circle I	2/11/2023

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Trailblazers	4/30/2022
Rebel Rousers	2/10/2023

Most NORTEX clubs have resumed dancing. Most clubs that have resumed dancing have ads in the Promenade. To reach the February Promenade, click here: <http://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2023-02-Promenade.pdf>

EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

Of Interest Club Visitation for Plus Dancers

Thursday, February 9 – Double Plus - 20th Anniversary

Double Plus celebrated their 20 Anniversary with caller Vernon Jones who called for the Double Plus' first dance 20 years ago. There was a good sized group of dancers for a Thursday evening with 6 squares on the floor. The only Swinging Stars to attend were the Sees.

Of Interest Club Visitation

Saturday, February 11 – Circle I – Evening of Love Songs

The venue is sort of hard to get to but once you get there it is a wonderful place to dance. There was a great crowd with 9 squares in the grand march, and I noticed that there were 12 or so couples round dancing to some pretty lovely tunes being cued by Chris Farabaugh. Ray Savel was accompanied on several of the Love Songs by his lovely wife Linda. They harmonized singing some amazing Love Songs. Swinging Stars had 5 members attending, thank you to Pete Abshire, Kilejians and Bursons for Supporting the Clubs visitation. The Circle I was generous and we captured their Banner.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

LADIES LUNCHEON

Wednesday, February 15, 2023 AT 11:30

The February Ladies Luncheon will be hosted by Lorraine Burson. I have chosen Ellen's Restaurant, 210 S. Central Expressway Allen, TX.

Please put Wednesday, February 15th on your Calendar, so you will remember that you are going to the Swinging Stars February Ladies Luncheon. Please reply to Lorraine at Lorraine@Bursons.us or 972-396-0941 by Feb 13th so I can tell the Ellen's Restaurant how many Ladies we will be having come to lunch. To see a menu, go to <https://www.ellens.com/menu-allen>

This invitation to lunch is for all Swinging Star Ladies. If you are an active member or an associate member, we want you to come have lunch and visit with us.

Thank you, and we hope you can come.

Of Interest Club Visitation

Friday, February 17 – Kissin' Kuzzins – Come Dance With Us

Where: Fields Recreation Center - - 1701 Dairy Rd, Garland

Caller: David Toms

Cuer: JL Pelton

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

Note: See page 21 of the February Promenade for more information

Of Interest Club Visitation – Double Deal

Saturday, February 18 – Rebel Rousers – Black & White Ball

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 February Promenade for more information

Friday, February 24 – Swinging Stars – Sweetheart Dance

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 February Promenade for more information

Of Interest Club Visitation

Saturday, February 25 – Tri-City Promenaders – Behind the Mask

Where: Brookside Center - - 1244 Brookside Drive, Hurst

Caller: Ray Savell

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

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

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

* * * OTHER EVENTS * * *

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

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Sunshine information

From Peggy Amy our Sunshine Reporter

No news to report 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

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

Sunday, May 21, 2023, 4:00 PM **Swinging Stars General Club meeting** at Norma's Cafe'

605 W.15th St. Plano, TX 75075

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

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See Flyers below



SWINGING STARS

February 2023



Mike Bramlett
Guest Caller

Banners
Honey Pot
Singles Board

10th

Jan Toms
Club Cuer



**Charlie
Robertson**
Club Caller

24th



Both Nights!

Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

12411 Templeton Trail

Farmers Branch TX 75234

Early Rounds 7:30
Square Up 8:00

For Info: (972) 836-3201 or President@swingingstars.org
Visit our Web Site: www.swingingstars.org



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SWINGING STARS

48th Anniversary Dance

Quilt
Raffle

Dancing Stars
with the

Double
Signature



Bobby Willis
Guest Caller



Charlie Robertson
Club Caller



Jan Tom
Club Cuer

Banners
Honey Pot
Singles Board

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