



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for February 19, 2023

Message from the Presidents

John and Debbie Cave

Debbie and I wish to thank David and Lorraine for covering for us while we were having fun at the Red River Special up at Lake Murray, OK. It was a great dance with many folks we have known over the years. The good news is that next year the weekend will be on our Swinging Stars off week, the third weekend of the month so maybe we can all go have fun together. Debbie and I have already made our reservations for 2024.

Thanks also to Dianne for organizing the Anniversary Dance on March 31st. Please sign up to help with the work to make it special.

We are also making plans for lesson in June so think about who you can talk to about lessons. We need to grow our club.

John and Debbie Cave

Dance Setup & Takedown

From Dave and Lorraine Burson

1st Vice Presidents

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. Lorraine 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 are 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 |

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| 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

I'm assuming that everyone has marked their calendar for the Swinging Star's 48th Anniversary celebration on Friday, March 31st. The March 24th dance has been cancelled. We only need a few more helpers and few more food packs. I hope everyone got and read my e-mail that was sent on Saturday.

Lorraine has donated her beautiful Red & White Square Dance pattern quilt for the Swinging Stars Fund Raiser. Please buy lots of raffle tickets as this does benefit the club's treasury. Get up close to see the Square Dance Square pattern. Thank you, Lorraine.

Diane Stewart
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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 dances February 24th, and March 10th, and we will be selling Raffle tickets at those dances. We will also be selling tickets 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 |
| Kissin' Kuzzins | 02/17/2023 |

Swinging Stars Banners Out

| Club | Date Captured |
|--------------|---------------|
| Trailblazers | 4/30/2022 |
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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

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

The Kissin' Kuzzins had a great dance and turnout for their "Come Dance With Us" theme dance. The dancers were provided music mostly from the 70's by guest caller David Toms who was occasionally aided by Mike Bramlett and club cuer JL Pelton. The Swinging Stars who attended and helped capture the Kissin' Kuzzins banner were Pete Abshire, Fran Bivins, the Bursons and the Sees.

Of Interest Club Visitation – Double Deal

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

The Rebel Rousers held their annual Black and White Ball Saturday evening to a large gathering of appreciative dancers. There were 66 visitors and 22 club members for a total of 88 dancers. The floor had 8 squares after the Grand March. Club caller Mike Bramlett and club cuer Christine Hixson entertained the dancers with mostly music from the 1960's. The 11 Swinging Stars in attendance who helped retrieve our banner were Pete Abshire, Bursons, Caves, Covingtons, Nestors, and Sees.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

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

Sunshine information

From Peggy Amy our Sunshine Reporter

Wonderful news to share from Tom and Vicki Evanto.

Congratulations! Tom and Vicki Evanto are proud to announce the birth of their granddaughter on Feb 16 in Austin, TX. Charlotte Lynn Ashley was 7 lbs. 1 oz. and 19 in. long. She joins her family Bryan, Kristin (Tom and Vicki's daughter), big brother Brooks (2 yr. old), and their Golden Retriever Riley.

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

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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

March 31, 2023

Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

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Grand March 8:00

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