

Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for February 26, 2023

Message from the Presidents

John and Debbie Cave

We had a great dance on Friday with 9 different clubs joining us. We had 8 Squares for the first Tip. We even had a couple that came from Amarillo (they were visiting her sister). The Texas Reelers showed up with 17 visitors and Kissin' Kuzzins came with 13. We will need to be visiting their clubs to get our banners back and to encourage them to attend our Anniversary Dance on March 31st. Jan appears to be drawing in Round Dancers as we had 9 couples on the floor round dancing to her great cueing.

Our thanks go to Lorraine for donating a Quilt for the Anniversary Dance. The ticket sales are going well. Thanks also to those who came to set up and tear down as many hands make light work.

We are also making plans for lessons in June, so think about who you can talk to about lessons. We need to grow our club and we will need Angels to help with lessons.

John and Debbie Cave



In Loving Memory of Jodie Baldwin

It is with great sadness, we report Jodie Baldwin passed away Wednesday morning, February 22, 2023 in Plano, Texas. She was born in Ellinwood, Kansas and lived in McKinney, Texas with her devoted husband, Wayne Baldwin. She will be remembered as a talented artist, gracious and devoted member of several Dallas square dance clubs. She will be sincerely missed by her loving family, devoted friends, and all the wonderful individuals who knew and loved her.

"Gone from our sight, but never from our hearts."

Cards may be sent to Wayne Baldwin 2816 Tallahassee Court, Plano, TX 75074.

Funeral and Visitation Information

Visitation: Tuesday, February 28, 7-9 PM

Funeral Service: Wednesday, March 1 @ 2 PM

Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home

2525 N. Central Expy, Allen, TX

Burial will be in Stamford, TX.

Dance Setup & Takedown

From Dave and Lorraine Burson

1st Vice Presidents

Thank you to these members that showed up to help Dave and Me get the dance hall ready for our dance on Friday evening. Thank you to Bob and Gay Allen, Ammy Masala, Nina Miramontes, Peggy Amy, John and Debbie Cave, and Charlie and Linda Harris, with out all of your help we would not have been ready for the dance. You are greatly appreciated. Also, thank you to all that stayed to help take down the hall. I would like to point out that Nevin and Sara Mulvin get there extra early to get their table set up ready for the visitors to be able to get signed in for the dance. Jan and David Toms are there early and have the caller/cuer equipment table ready in plenty of time for the dance to be

ready to go when the early rounds get started. Ron and Donita always get there on time to have the banners displayed. Good Job to all!

Please see the setup and takedown schedule through the end of May 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 the Cave will be also be there to help assist with the set up and take down. As you can see in the list below, we still need help with the setting up and take down for the April 14th, 28th, May 12th, 26th,. This will be an ongoing activity, so if you know of a date not listed that you know you will be able to help tell Lorraine the date you will be available to help.

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
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
May 12, 2023			Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
May 26, 2023			Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

SWINGING STARS 48TH ANNIVERSARY

From Diane Stewart, 2023 Anniversary Dance Chairman

I know we are all looking forward to our anniversary dance with Charlie, Bobby, and Jan. Volunteers are in place and snacks are promised. Thanks to all who volunteered. Not so much to do until March 31st, except to buy raffle tickets.

Diane Stewart
972-377-3910
dianestewart001@tt.net

From Lorraine Burson

A special thank you to **Kristi Robertson** for assisting me by selling raffle tickets, giving me the opportunity to square dance.

I have donated a Quilt to the Swinging Stars for a Quilt Raffle. It will be display for all to see at the dances on March 10th, and March 31st, we will be selling Raffle tickets at those 2 dances. 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
Texas Reelers	02/24/2023
Kissin' Kuzzins	02/24/2023

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

<http://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2023-03-Promenade.pdf>

EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

Of Interest Club Visitation

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

The Tri-City Promenaders had their Mardi Gras dance Saturday evening. Club caller Ray Savell and club cuer Chris Farabaugh led the party/dance with many of the dancers wearing masks. The dance had a great turnout with 8 squares on the floor after the Grand March (and about 2 more squares worth sitting out). There were 75 visitors and 28 club members for a total of 103 dancers. The Swinging Stars in attendance were Pete Abshire, the Bursons, and the Sees.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

Of Interest Club Visitation for Plus Dancers

Wednesday, March 1 – Plus 4s

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

Caller: Toby Thomason

Time: Plus 7:00

Of Interest Club Visitation

Friday, March 3 – Kissin' Kuzzins – Boot Scootin' Boogie

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

Caller: Charlie Robertson

Cuer: JL Pelton

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

Note: See page 7 of the March Promenade for more information

Of Interest Club Visitation

Saturday, March 4 – Circle 8 – Tim Tyl

Where: Swingtime Center - - Loop 820 @ Anglin, Ft Worth

Caller: Tim Tyl, Melton Luttrell

Cuer: Jack von der Heide

Time: Rounds 7:30, Squares 8:00

Note: See page 8 of the March Promenade for more information

Friday, March 10 – Swinging Stars – St. Patty's Day 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 16 of the March Promenade for more information

Of Interest Club Visitation

Saturday, March 11 – Circle I – Sham-Rock N' Roll

Where: Heritage Senior Center - - 200 S. Jefferson St, Irving

Caller: Ray Savell

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

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

Note: See page 17 of the March Promenade for more information.

LADIES LUNCHEON

Wednesday, March 15, 2023 AT 11:30

The March Ladies Luncheon will be hosted by Peggy Amy. She has chosen, Olive Garden Italian Restaurant, 700 N. Central Expressway, Plano, TX, located on the east side of Central Expressway north of Plano Parkway. The date is Wednesday March 15 at 11:30. Please reply to Peggy Amy by March 13 at amybpeggy@verizon.net or 972-824-5435, so she can tell the restaurant how many ladies will be coming to lunch.

Olive Garden is family friendly with a casual cozy atmosphere. Enjoy family style dining and fresh Italian food. Check out their menu with lunch-sized Favorites, and Never-ending Soup, Salad and Breadsticks, by going to www.olivegarden.com and click on menu. Yumm, check out their desserts.

Please put Wednesday, March 15th on your Calendar, so you will remember that you are going to the Swinging Stars March Ladies Luncheon.

If you are an active member or an associate member, you are invited, we want you to come visit with us and have lunch.

Thank you, and we hope you can come.

Of Interest Club Visitation

Friday, March 17 – Texas Reelers – Luck O' the Irish

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 24 of the March Promenade for more information

Of Interest Club Visitation

Saturday, March 18 – Rebel Rousers – Tie Dye 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 26 of the March Promenade for more information

Official Visitation - 47th Anniversary

Friday, March 24 – Ft. Worth Squares – Deep in the Heart of Texas

Where: Swingtime Center - - Loop 820 @ Anglin, Ft Worth

Caller: Dan Clairmont

Cuer: David Berling

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

Note: See page 27 of the March Promenade for more information

Official Visitation – Double Deal

Saturday, March 25 – Tri-City Promenaders – Flamingo Fling

Where: Brookside Center - - 1244 Brookside Dr., Hurst

Caller: Ray Savell

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

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

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

Friday, March 31 – Swinging Stars – 48th Anniversary

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

Caller: Bobby Willis, Charlie Robertson

Cuer: Jan Toms

Time: Rounds 7:30, Dance 8:00

Note: See page 30 of the March Promenade for more information

Sunshine information

From Peggy Amy our Sunshine Reporter

News from Charles and Anna Wolfe

Anna fell and broke her hip. She had successful surgery and is now in a rehab facility. Please keep Anna and Charles in your prayers. You can reach out to them by sending notes/cards to their home.

1493 Richardson Drive, #222

Richardson, TX 75080-4668

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Please keep Wayne Baldwin and family in your prayers. Wayne needs our love, encouragement, and support. Cards may be sent to

Wayne Baldwin

2816 Tallahassee Court, Plano, TX 75074.

Please keep Wayne and family in your prayers

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

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See Flyer below



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

Early Rounds 7:30
Grand March 8:00

12411 Templeton Trail

Farmers Branch TX 75234



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