



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for April 16, 2023

Message from the Presidents

John and Debbie Cave

It was a good dance on Friday with 19 Swinging Stars in attendance and 27 visitors dancing with us. We had 4 squares most of the evening including the Plus Tips. Charlie provided some fun singing calls and kept us moving. He does work us well as some of us needed some corrections as we tried to follow his calls.

David Berling cued to a handful of round dancers, and those of us who do not dance rounds enjoyed his soft cueing voice.

We gave our banner to the Roadrunners so we will need to go visit them to get it back.

See you in a Square.
John and Debbie Cave

2nd Quarter Dues are due starting April 1, 2023

If you normally pay by the quarter you need to pay for 2nd quarter which is \$27.50 per single member and \$55.00 per couple. If you have not paid your 2nd quarter dues, it is important that you pay this month. April is the month that we have to send an updated roster and NORTEX Dues to NORTEX. So please pay your dues at the next dance in April or mail a check made out to the Swinging Stars to the treasurer:

Nevin R Mulvin
Treasurer Swinging Stars
3409 Eisenhower Ln
Plano, TX 75023-3933
972-618-0750

Dance Setup & (clean up after the dance)

From Dave and Lorraine Burson 1st Vice Presidents

Thank you to all that came early to the dance and helped with the set up. Those helping were Jan and Richard Covington, John and Debbie Cave, Zari and Harry Kilejian, that were filling in for the Sees, while they were out of town, Linda and Charlie Harris, and of course Nevin and Sarah Mulvin along with Lon Bushell. Helping with the clean up are all of the above and Pete Abshire, Peggie Amy and I am not sure how many others were involved. If I missed anyone I am sorry, it is hard trying to do the clean up and see who all is there to help. Mostly I think all the member's were there and helped to clean up the hall. Thank you to everyone that that helped with making the dance a happy and pleasant place to have fun.

Volunteers are Needed:

Please see the set up and clean up schedule through the end of July 2023. We are in need of members to help with getting the hall ready and for after the dance to put away what we have set up. 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.

We have had “0” call to volunteer for the unfilled dates listed. Please check your calendars and see what dates your will be able to help!

This is your club and everyone is needed to help to get the hall ready and make our dances run smoothly!

Volunteers are Needed: If you have not helped yet, PLEASE contact Lorraine and volunteer. We appreciate everyone that has already helped, but we will need you to help again soon. Please volunteer!

Dave and Lorraine pick up, Jim the Building Manager before each dance and we are there to assist you what is to be done, the Caves will also be there to help assist with the set up and clean up.

As you can see in the list below, we still need help with the setting up and cleanup for the May 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.

Thank you,
Dave and Lorraine Burson
1st Vice Presidents

Dance Date	Setup	Clean up	Location
April 28, 2023	Harrises	Pete Abshire	Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
May 12, 2023	Sees	Peggy Amy	Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
May 26, 2023			Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
June 9, 2023			Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
July 14, 2023			Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
July 28, 2023			Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

**Thank You from Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
Children and Youth Program**

At one of our dances earlier this year, Jim Hanigan (the person who opens and closes the church for us) brought in some of the Youth Group children to tell us about a Chili Cook Off that they were having to raise money to send some of the Youth Group to summer camp. We decided that since a lot of us could not make it to the Chili Cook Off, we would put out a jar for anyone who would like to contribute to the fund raiser could drop money into the jar. I don't know how much money that we raised but on the next page is a letter of thank you from the Church and the Youth Group.



Thank You

DEAREST, MOST SPECTACULAR, MOST GENEROUS SQUARE DANCERS EVER KNOWN:

ON BEHALF OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY, I, MINISTER KATE, MINISTER OF FAMILIES HERE AT UMC CHAPEL HILL ALONG WITH OUR CHILDREN AND YOUTH PROGRAM, "THE SHEPHERD'S DISCIPLES," ARE CRAZED AND BOUNCING OFF THE WALLS WITH APPRECIATION AND WE OWE Y'ALL THE BIGGEST THANK YOU THERE EVER WAS!

BECAUSE OF YOUR ROCKSTAR SIZED DONATIONS THAT WERE GIVEN WITH SUCH GRACE ACCOMPANIED BY SUCH TRIDE AND TRUE BELIEF IN OUR CHURCH FAMILY'S YOUTH & CHILDREN'S ABILITY TO OBTAIN THE SUCCESS OF GETTING' THEMSELVES TO THIS "ONCE IN THEIR LIFETIME CAMP," ... WE SURE DID SUCCEED IN GETTIN' THOSE YOUNGINS' TO THAT CAMP! Y'ALL MADE THE CHILI COOK-OFF FUNDRAISER SO DARN SUCCESSFUL, WE CAN SEND THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH TO CAMP TWICE OVER THIS YEAR! (well, almost twice.)

GENEROSITY SUCH AS DISPLAYED BY YOU AND YOUR FANTASTICLY, SUPER KIND AND TALENTED SQUARE DANCIN' GROUP, IS ONE OF RARITY THESE DAYS, AND WE TRULY JUST CAN'T EXPRESS ENOUGH GRATITUDE FOR Y'ALL NOT ONLY GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND IN YOUR GIVING, BUT YOUR PARTICIPATION WAS ALSO ONE OF SUCH A POSITIVE, STAR-STUDDED MODEL OF THE RIGHT WAY TO BE TO OUR YOUTH. IT WAS ALSO THE HUGEST PART OF HELPING US TO RALLY FOR AND TO LOVINGLY MOLD OUR CHILDREN AND YOUTH TO BE INCREDIBLE, COMPASSIONATE, AND KIND LEADERS WITHIN OUR COMMUNITIES.

WITH TRUE EPIC AMOUNTS OF GRATITUDE, GRACE, AND PEACE –
THANK YOU,

Minister of Families – ROCKSTAR FOR JESUS, LEADER OF YOUNGINS', MINISTER KATE WHITAKER

Minister of Families Chair and "wearer of any hat needing wearing " – MELANIE WILLHITE

Pastor "I personally would follow right off a cliff " and Pastor OF UMC CHAPEL HILL – REV. J.D. ALLEN

And that perky, one-of-kind, kindest heart you'll meet, couldn't have done it without him! Helper - JIM

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

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Trailblazers	4/30/2022
Triangle Squares	03/31/23
Log Cabin Swingers	03/31/23
Circle I	03/31/23
Rebel Rousers	03/31/23
Kissin' Kuzzins	03/31/23
Texas Reelers	03/31/23
Roadrunners	04/14/23

EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK

No visitation reports for this past week.

*** COMING EVENTS ***

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

<http://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2023-04-Promenade.pdf>

Official Visitation – Banner Retrieval

Friday, April 21 – Kissin' Kuzzins – 50th Anniversary

Where: First United Methodist Church of Richardson – 503 N. Central Expressway

Caller: Tim Tyl, Mike Bramlett

Cuer: JL Pelton

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

Note: See page 22 of the April Promenade for more information

Friday, April 28 – Swinging Stars – Spring Fling

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

Caller: David Toms

Cuer: Jan Toms

Time: Rounds 7:30, Dance 8:00

Note: See page 18 of the April Promenade for more information

Official Visitation - 63rd Anniversary

Saturday, April 29 – Tri-City Promenaders – Hawaiian Nights

Where: Brookside Center - - 1244 Brookside Drive, Hurst

Caller: Ray Savell, Nelda Eaton

Cuer: Chris Farabaugh

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

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

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

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Sunshine information

From Peggy Amy our Sunshine Reporter

No news to report this week.

Happy Anniversary

None this week.

Happy Birthday

None 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

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.

Friday, October 13, 2023 **Swinging Stars Pre Roundup** 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 Flyer below



SWINGING STARS

Spring Fling



April 14

Charlie Robertson

David Berling



Banners
Honey Pot
Singles Board



April 28

David Toms

Jan Toms

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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