



January 2023 Newsletter

Hi Friends - We made it to the year 2023! I can remember when 1984 seemed like a stretch but I'm glad we're all here now. For me, I'm grateful to have you still supporting real country music. They say there's a little bit of a trend starting where the young artists are going a bit more country. I hope that's true.

2022 was a good year for me with the release of my album "Outside The Box" and I appreciate all the nice comments you've made on the music. If you're happy with my music, then I'm satisfied that I did my best for you because I always try to sing with my fans in mind.

One highlight came in August when SiriusXM's Willie's Roadhouse show invited us to do a special show at their theatre in the Bridgestone Arena building which aired in September. We had our dear friend, Ms. Jeannie Seely, as the host and she definitely kept things lively. You never know what she's going to do but she always makes me laugh and of course she's an excellent host both live at the Opry and for this show as well as her "Sunday with Seely" show on Willie's Roadhouse.

The Opry surprised me with a big show on September 29th, celebrating my 60 years in the music business which was such an honor. I really enjoyed hearing so many artists come out and deliver their interpretations of some of my biggest hits. I know Country Music will survive with those talented artists.

The Podcast was a new thing for me but I hear it's going great on Spotify and WSM Radio. I appreciate the work everyone did to make that happen and I'm extremely grateful to those special friends and artists who gave up their time to speak about me. Even Moe had a kind word to say and you know that didn't come easy for him. (You know I'm kidding. He's a great friend and one of the nicest guys in the business.)

So here we are, ready to blaze a new trail through 2023. I don't know what the year will hold but I sure appreciate you coming along for the ride! I hope it's a great year for all of us.

Until I see you again, stay safe and healthy and have a very Happy New Year!

- Gene



Tis the Season

I hope all of you are going to be spending these next few days with your family and friends as we gather to celebrate at this special time of year. I'll be in Houston where there will be no snow but we're having LOTS of rain as I'm writing to you today. I've been seeing reports of arctic air coming in all over the USA and Canada so be sure to take care and stay warm and healthy. We love the winter but it's not so much fun to travel in ice and snow. Our friends in Nashville tell me they are expecting low temperatures of 9 degrees. That might be nothing to you in the North but I know down South, that could bust some pipes somewhere!

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A Great Night at the Opry

We had a tremendous night at the Grand Ole Opry Saturday, December 10, 2022. The traffic getting to the Opry during the Christmas season is a story by itself - but we managed to arrive early. In fact, Ricky Skaggs who was supposed to open the show was so tangled in traffic that the Opry staff asked us to go on first - but Ricky Skaggs did put on an amazing show when he finally got there!



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I gave myself a much-needed early gift - I purchased a new Prevost tour bus. We all liked our old bus but it was on a fix or repair weekly schedule so it was time for a change. I hope its next owner will appreciate it as much as we did. Our new bus was originally built for a band you may know

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Tour Dates for 2023

SAT, DEC 31 Hinton, OK	RSVP	TICKETS
JAN 14, 2023 Huntsville, TX	RSVP	TICKETS
JAN 19, 2023 Victoria, TX	RSVP	TICKETS
JAN 20, 2023 Lubbock, TX	RSVP	TICKETS
JAN 21, 2023 Clifton, TX	RSVP	TICKETS
FEB 10, 2023 Newberry, SC	RSVP	TICKETS
FEB 11, 2023 Clintwood, VA	RSVP	NOTIFY ME
FEB 24, 2023 Weirsdale, FL	RSVP	TICKETS
FEB 25, 2023 Brooksville, FL	RSVP	NOTIFY ME
FEB 26, 2023 Weirsdale, FL	RSVP	TICKETS
MAR 2, 2023 New Braunfels, TX	RSVP	TICKETS
MAR 3, 2023 Orange Grove, TX	RSVP	TICKETS
MAR 10, 2023 Arlington, TX	RSVP	TICKETS
MAR 11, 2023 Lufkin, TX	RSVP	TICKETS
MAR 17, 2023 Rome, GA	RSVP	TICKETS
MAR 18, 2023 Walhalla, SC	RSVP	TICKETS
MAR 24, 2023 Brady, TX	RSVP	TICKETS
MAR 31, 2023 Cleveland, TX	RSVP	TICKETS
APR 1, 2023 Cleveland, TX	RSVP	TICKETS
APR 7, 2023 Tomball, TX	RSVP	TICKETS
APR 29, 2023 Henderson, TN	RSVP	TICKETS
MAY 5, 2023 Lincolnton, GA	RSVP	TICKETS
MAY 13, 2023 Yantis, TX	RSVP	TICKETS
AUG 11, 2023 Tomball, TX	RSVP	TICKETS
AUG 18, 2023 Reidsville, NC	RSVP	TICKETS
AUG 19, 2023 Liberty, NC	RSVP	TICKETS
AUG 26, 2023 Marion, VA	RSVP	TICKETS
SEP 16, 2023 Hiawassee, GA	RSVP	TICKETS
OCT 5, 2023 Shipshewana, IN	RSVP	TICKETS
OCT 21, 2023 Branson, MO	RSVP	TICKETS
NOV 4, 2023 Huntsville, TX	RSVP	TICKETS
NOV 11, 2023 Branson, MO	RSVP	TICKETS
DEC 15, 2023 Tomball, TX	RSVP	TICKETS