



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for January 3, 2021

Message from Presidents

Doug and Jan Bergesen

Happy New Year!

Just to let you know, we had scheduled an Anniversary Dance on April 23, 2021. Seeing as how we don't even know if we will be dancing by then or if we can find a large facility by then or how well we will all be dancing by then, we as a board have decided to cancel that Anniversary dance. If we are dancing by then, it will just be a normal dance.

So, did you have enough of Christmas or do you need a little bit more? I recently found out what the 12 days of Christmas are all about (and it's not just a partridge in a pear tree). It's the 12 days after Christmas that take us to January 6th when we celebrate the arrival of the wise men. By the way, that's why you are supposed to leave your Christmas decorations up until Jan. 6th. Well, someone was very creative and came up with the 12 Tips of Square Dance. If you would like to enjoy it, see the link below:

<https://youtu.be/nosjl1vFnQg>

Doug and Jan Bergesen

2nd VP Report

From Ralph and Lucy Hamm

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
Log Cabin Swingers	5/04/2019
Cotton Pickin' Squares	5/25/2019
Dixie Chainers	12/14/2019
Texas Reelers	1/17/2020
Rebel Rousers	1/18/2020
Kissin Kuzzins	2/29/2020

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured
Lone Star Solos	1/24/2020

We suggest that before you decide to attend a dance advertised in the Promenade you reach out to the club advertising the dance and make sure that they will be having the dance.

Most NORTEX clubs have closed because of loss of venue and/or the virus. We have contacted several NORTEX club presidents to update the status of their clubs. The following list is current. We will correct it when any club's status changes.

Swingtime Center closed to all dances. The board (CASUL) will meet in February 2021 to decide on future dancing. The clubs normally dancing there are:

Circle 8	Diamond Jubileers	Double Plus
Fort Worth Squares	Harvest Holiday	Pioneer Squares
Rainbow Rounds	Roadrunners	T Square Gadabouts
Trailblazers		

Other clubs who have cancelled until January 2021:

Circle I	Cliff Dwellers	Dixie Chainers
Log Cabin Swingers	Pegasus Squares	Rebel Rousers
Tri-City Promenaders		

The following clubs have closed until further notice:

Dance Arounds	Kissin' Kuzzins	Model A's
Plus 4s	Ramblin' Rounds (Wed)	Stone Steppers
Texas Reelers	Triangle Squares	

ADD+ Dancing Mike Bramlett's ADD+ dancing will continue at Elks Lodge 1984, 3825 Duck Creek Drive, in Garland on the first, third and fifth Mondays of the month. Dates through March will be Jan 4th and 18th; Feb 1st and 15th; and Mar 1st, 15th, and 29th. If you need additional information, contact Mike at 214-402-8540 or sgdncclr@aol.com.

Dance times: Advanced 6 to 7PM; Extended Application/All Position Plus 7 – 9PM

*** * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * ***

Stay Home - Stay Safe

*** * * COMING EVENTS * * ***

All Swinging Stars dances are cancelled through February 2021.

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

Round Dance Lessons Schedule

JL and Linda Pelton

Dance Arounds received notice from the City of Plano that all classes are canceled until further notice. This includes the dance night and Saturday lessons

Virtual Square Dance

Tom Evanto

For more information on Virtual Square Dance see the Virtual Square Dance article in the 11-01-2020 Newsletter: http://www.swingingstars.org/Newsletter_for_11-01-2020.pdf or contact Tom Evanto.

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

Happy New Year! Canadian author Louise Penny opened her January newsletter with a quote from American author of books about children, L.R. Krost. "Do not be dismayed by the darkness of the world.....all things can be mended. Not with time, as they say, but with intention. So go, love intentionally, extravagantly, unconditionally. The broken world waits in darkness for the light that is you".

Audrey Mansell (the Promenade Editor} is still asking for "Sweetheart" photos for the February issue of the Promenade. Her idea is an older but clear photo; not square dance related. Her deadline is January 15. Please send to email address: promenade@new.nortex.org. Include the names of each person, the name of the square dance club (whether you are active or associate does not matter) you represent and your office, if you are a current officer of the club. If you have questions, Audrey's phone number is 817-596-4994.

We hope everyone had a nice celebration of Christmas Day with as many family and/or friends with whom you could safely do so. Our usual 6 people were down to 3 of us at Christmas dinner but we had long distance contact with our daughter and her family. Ralph called all 4 of his siblings on Christmas Eve afternoon. . I called my former college roommate, who is like a sister to me, on the same day.

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Special dates to put on your calendar None

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).

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