



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for January 17, 2021

Message from Presidents

Doug and Jan Bergesen

Another week is in the books. We hope everyone is keeping busy and staying safe. As a vaccine is now becoming available it's about time to start trying to remember how to dance. Check out one of the many Virtual Square Dances that take place each week. If you find it too difficult just listen and watch. It will help you remember. Try the 'Where's the Dance' website and start those feet moving.

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 on March 7, 2021 to consider future options. They met last week and discussed that opening of Swingtime will depend on COVID vaccine availability and reduction of numbers of infections and hospitalizations in the area. The clubs normally dancing there are:

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

The following clubs have closed until further notice:

Circle I	Cliff Dwellers	Dance Arouds
Dixie Chainers	Kissin' Kuzzins	Log Cabin Swingers
Model A's	Pegasus Squares	Plus 4s
Ramblin' Rounds (Wed)	Rebel Rousers	Stone Steppers
Texas Reelers	Tri-City Promenaders	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 18th; Feb 1st and 15th; and Mar 1st, 15th, and 29th. If you need additional information, contact Mike at 214-402-8540 or sgdnccclr@aol.com.

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

Square Dancing Practice Opportunity The following note from Bill and Elizabeth Hinckley, caller for the Stone Steppers, is provided for your information:

Hello Square Dancers,

If you are interested in getting some practice in and enjoying square dancing fun then feel free to come and join us each Thursday evening! We dance to a lot of patter with a few singing calls thrown in for a little variety.

We dance Mainstream and Plus, and the evening is dedicated to building up some of those rusty skills and having fun throughout the evening. This month, we plan on being at our location each Thursday evening (January 14th, 21st and 28th) and all are welcome. The dancing goes from 6:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

We dance at the Goodbar Recreation Center, [3000 Concord Drive, Mesquite 75150](https://www.google.com/maps/place/3000+Concord+Drive,+Mesquite,+TX+75150).

We have been doing this since the last week of July and have had great times together. Please note that the dancers wear masks while dancing and respect other's safety wishes during breaks. If you would like water or snacks, please bring what you would personally like to have.

We hope to see you all on Thursday!

Bill & Elizabeth Hinkley
214-498-7424 (Bill's cell)

*** * * 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 Arouds 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

It is a bright and sunny day, a good day for walking. Debbie Anderson, NORTEX President said that Elizabeth Ziebell spoke to her this past week. She said that Dennis was upbeat and sounded good. Debbie requests that we keep all of our dancing family, our country, and all individuals with COVID-19 in our prayers.

Happy Anniversary

None listed this week

Happy Birthday

None listed this week

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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