



Newsletter for January 24, 2021

Message from Presidents

Doug and Jan Bergesen

This Pandemic has really hit some professions hard. There are the obvious ones like restaurants, entertainment, and travel. There are some not so obvious ones as well, like square dancing. Besides callers and cuers, did you know that there is a square dance magazine? We just got this word from NORTEX:

The ASD (American Square Dance Magazine) is having problems staying afloat at the present time. If you do not subscribe, please consider getting a subscription. It is \$27.50 per year. The email is americansquaredance@gmail.com Their phone # is 407-894-2227. The owner/publisher is Susanelaine Packer the mailing address is; P.O. Box 533910, Orlando, FL 32853

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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:

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 Arounds
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 Feb 1st and 15th; and Mar 1st, 15th, and 29th. If you need additional information, contact Mike at 214-402-8540 or sqdnccclr@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

Our thoughts and prayers go out to long time Swinging Stars member, Tim Heintz, and his family. His dear wife, Rita, passed away on Tuesday January 19 after a long struggle with cancer.. A memorial service on Zoom is in the planning stage. Those of us who knew Rita will remember her smile, her sense of humor and general interest in our club. Even as associate members, Rita and Tim would often go to the after dance gatherings in Plano. As a joke one time, Ralph told her she reminded him of his sister so she called him her" bro" several times when greeting us. Tim has asked as a memorial to consider a donation to the American Cancer Society.

An update on Dennis Ziebell, he has pneumonia and is still in the hospital. Elizabeth would appreciate our continued prayers.

We have heard about several square dancers getting their COVID-19 vaccinations. We hope we all will be able to dance again soon.

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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