



Newsletter for July 4, 2021

Message from Presidents

Doug and Jan Bergesen

Isn't it great to be back dancing? Can you think of some friends that would like to be dancing too? Start making your list of those you want to invite to lessons! Now that the lockdown is over people really need to socialize. Let's do our best to grow our favorite activity!

Doug and Jan Bergesen

Treasurer Report

From Nevin and Sara Mulvin

Third Quarter Dues will be due at the next Swinging Stars dance on July 9th, but most members have already paid their dues. If you paid for six months or the full year of 2020 you have already paid your third quarter dues.

I have rolled all paid dues into the third quarter, if you paid for six months of 2020 the third quarter of 2021 is paid. If you paid for the full year of 2020, the third and fourth quarter of 2021 and the first quarter of 2022 are paid. Only members that pay quarterly will have third quarter dues due and most have already done so.

Hope this helps,
Nevin & Sara Mulvin
Treasurer Swinging Stars

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
Dixie Chainers	12/14/2019
Texas Reelers	1/17/2020
Rebel Rousers	1/18/2020

Swinging Stars Banners Out

Club	Date Captured

Many NORTEX clubs have resumed dancing or will in the near future. NORTEX is maintaining a listing of clubs with their status on this web page:

http://new.nortex.org/nortex/?page_id=3043

In addition, most clubs that have resumed dancing have ads in the *Promenade*. To reach the July *Promenade*, click here: <http://new.nortex.org/nortex/wp-content/uploads/2021-07-Promenade.pdf>

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

June 27,2021 NORTEX Pre Roundup Kickoff Dance.

What a beautiful way to Kickoff the Spooktacular Diamond Jubilee Pre Roundup season. We enjoyed dancing to Mike Bramlett calling and Chris Farabaugh cueing. They both did an excellent job getting the excitement to a high level for a fun afternoon of dancing, With the competition of the Nationals .in Jackson, Mississippi, as expected attendance was not as high as would have been wanted. The Swinging Stars did manage to have members attending. Thank you to the Bursons, Nejdls, and the Willises. And we did have fun! Thank you to Lorraine Burson for the report.

The 45th International Choreographed Ballroom Dance Convention (ICBDA)

From June 29 - July 3, the 45th International Choreographed Ballroom Dance Convention (ICBDA) was held in Rockport, Tennessee. The Marriott Meadowview Conference Center and Resort hosted 330 dancers from 35 states. Five European countries, Japan, Canada and Australia were unable to send dancers due to COVID.

From the Dallas/Fort Worth area, Karen and Ed Gloodt and JL and Linda Pelton were part of the cueing staff for the convention. (JL is also webmaster for ICBDA). JL and Karen cued 6 dances each on Wednesday night and JL cued an additional 6 on Friday night. Dancers from the Dallas/Fort Worth area included the Hamms and the Zhangs from Dance Arounds (led by JL and Linda Pelton), 3 couples from Ramblin Rounds (led by Christine and Theron Hixson), 2 couples from Rainbow Rounds (led by Karen and Ed Gloodt), and 6 couples from Harvest Holiday (led by the Gloodts, the Hixsons and the Peltons). Harvest Holiday members are also members of other round dance clubs listed above. New cuers Jan and David Toms also attended.

Almost all of the DFW dancers attended the all-day Wednesday bolero clinic and dance "teach" with Randy and Marie Preskitt. They are internationally known choreographers, teachers and cuers from Seattle. They will be in Dallas in late November for a round dance weekend sponsored by Harvest Holiday.

12 new dances including foxtrot, waltz, jive, bolero, rumba, chacha and West Coast Swing were taught through the dance "teaches". 210 dances chosen in advance by votes of the membership were available to be danced in the evenings in 3 different ballrooms which were assigned phases 3-4, 4-5, 5-6 (based on easier, intermediate and hard levels of dances). Early in the evening 5 more dances of all phases were offered in Let's Dance Together each day. Everyone seems to have enjoyed the convention and seeing distant friends again. Thanks to Lucy Hamm for the report.

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

Friday, July 16: Kissin' Kuzzins Visitation (Of Interest)

When: 7:00 Early Rounds, 7:30 Workshop, 8:00 Grand March
Caller: Bill Hinkley
Cuer: JL Pelton
Where: Garland Senior Activity Center, 600 Avenue A

Saturday, July 17: Rebel Rousers Visitation (Official)

When: 7:00 Early Rounds, 7:30 Grand March
Caller: Mike Bramlett
Cuer: Christine Hixson
Where: Richardson Senior Center, 820 W. Arapaho Rd
Theme: Dust Off the Cobwebs; Casual

Thursday, July 22: Lone Star Solos Visitation (Of Interest)

When: 7:00 Rounds Work Shop, 7:30 Plus Fun Shop, 8:00 Grand March
Caller: **Jan Bergesen**
Cuer: David Berling
Where: Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 3217 Guthrie Rd, Garland

Friday, July 30: Texas Reelers Visitation (Official)

When: 7:30 Early Rounds, 8:00 Grand March
Caller: Deborah Carroll-Jones & Jon Jones
Cuer: Chris Farabaugh
Where: Richardson Senior Center, 820 W. Arapaho Rd
Theme: Stand Up for the USA

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

Round Dance Lessons Schedule

JL and Linda Pelton

JL and Linda will be offering two classes starting in September: Jive on Saturdays in the middle of the day and Rumba on Tuesday evenings. Classes will be held at Carpenter Recreation Center, 6701 Coit Road, Plano in the downstairs multi-purpose room.

Here are the start dates of each class along with the course # needed to sign up.

- Beginning Jive – Saturday Mornings
Starts Saturday, September 18
11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.
Course #38869
- Beginning Rumba – Tuesday Evenings
Starts Tuesday, September 21
7:30 to 9:30 p.m.
Course #40597

You can sign up through the Plano Parks and Recreation Catalog online, or you can register by calling the center at 972-208-8087.

Both classes finish in mid-November before the Thanksgiving holidays.

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

Lucy was at the ICBDA last week. See her report above in the **2nd VP Report, Events From The Past Week** section, 45th ICBDA.

Please remember to keep Mary Hardin in your thoughts and prayers. I talked to her a week ago and she wasn't feeling too well. Mary was to have a chemo infusion and couldn't because her blood

count was too low. I talked to her this past Saturday and she is feeling much better and is expecting to have a chemo infusion this week. Thank you to Lorraine Burson for this report.

Special dates to put on your calendar

Friday October 29, 2021 – NTCA 2021 Caller's Cavalcade

Saturday October 30, 2021 – NORTEX 2021 Round-Up

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

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See Flyer below



Swinging Stars



**Guest Caller:
Mike Bramlett
Guest Cuer:
Christine Hixson**

Zoom! Bang! Pop!

**New Location: Grace Church: 2005 Estates Parkway,
Lucas, TX 75002 (Enter around back.)**

Friday, July 9, 2021

***Early Rounds! 7:00
Squares Refresher! 7:30
Grand March! 8:00***

** Please bring your own
food and drinks**

Casual Summer Dress!

For Info: 972-834-3097
or President@swingingstars.org
Visit our Web Site:
www.swingingstars.org

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When Accompanied
By A Paying Adult

