



Newsletter for December 6, 2020

Message from Presidents

Doug and Jan Bergesen

Thanks so much for all of you who answered our survey questions already! It's not too late if you want to add your opinion to the totals. We will give you a few more days to add your voice to all the others and will put the final tally in next week's newsletter.

By the way, Jan is doing very well with her recovery from having her new knee installed. I don't know who thanks for all your thoughts and prayers.

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:

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| 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 has announced that ADD+ dancing resumed Monday, September 28 at Elks Lodge, 3825 Duck Creek Drive, in Garland. Additional scheduled dance nights Dec 7 and 21.

Dance times: Advanced 6 to 7PM; Plus 7 to 9PM

Guidance: No refreshments provided. Bring your own water and snack if you wish; do not share with others. Hand sanitizer will be available for everyone to use after each tip. Mike's email says "Masks and gloves are not required, but can certainly be worn by those who feel they would like to wear them."

*** * * 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 Rick Smith and his family. Rick has been in the hospital since early last week. Charles Crockett has more current information as Rick has requested NO phone calls. Rick and Wayne Baldwin as well as Gary Otwell made up the entertaining caller threesom, the Goose Gang, 2nd edition. They called for a few Swinging Stars dances. Rick and Wayne called for several of our Anniversary dances and a few other special dances. Rick was a special guest caller at Wayne's 50th anniversary dance which honored Wayne's years of being a caller.

Jerry Story, nationally known square dance caller, had a minor heart attack over last weekend. He was in an ICU unit in Iowa during the week. On December 4, he had triple bypass surgery and he is doing well. Jon shared this information with NORTEX President Debbie Anderson. Debbie asked that we keep Jerry in our thoughts and prayers. Tony Oxendine had a Facebook posting on Friday which was posted on the new NORTEX Facebook page.

We hope everyone in the Swinging Stars club had a good Thanksgiving in whatever way you could. The Christmas holidays are upon us. Some of us are already planning decorations and gifts now. Take the time to call some members, all of us like in person visiting as well as email. Remember the reason for the season, an old trite but true suggestion.

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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