Newsletter for July 5, 2020

Message from Presidents Doug and Jan Bergesen

Happy belated 4th of July!

Good news about Wayne Baldwin. I talked to Jodie Saturday and she said that he's doing much better. He's even walking with assistance. He's expected to go home on July 9th to finish his recuperation.

We need to keep in touch with each other. So this week look through the roster find someone you haven't talked to in awhile and send them a text or give them a call.

Stay healthy!

Jan and Doug Bergesen

2nd VP Report

From Dave and Lorraine Burson

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 would like to suggest that before you decide to attend a dance advertised in the Promenade that you reach out to the club advertising the dance and make sure that they will be having the dance. All of the dances at Swingtime are cancelled. I tried contacting all the clubs that has an advertised dance, that dances at other venues and they were also cancelled.

Check the following link on the NORTEX web page for the latest information: http://nortex.info/?page_id=3043

Swingtime Center closed to all dances through July 31st

Kissin Kuzzins are cancelling its July and August dances. The Garland Senior Center is unable to provide reopening dates.

Swinging Stars have cancelled their July Dances.

Dixie Chainers will be canceling their July 11th dance, Their club doesn't see as being able to dance anytime soon. They maybe cancelling to the end of the year. It there is a change they will let us know.

Cliff Dwellers their dance scheduled July 10 is cancelled. They do not foresee the City of Duncanville re-opening anytime soon so please note that all other scheduled dances until year-end are also cancelled

Rebel Rousers have cancelled their July Dance

Diamond Jubileers have postpone club dances until January 2021.

Tri-City Promenaders have decided to cancel their dances for June - December 2020.

Roadrunners have cancelled their July dance.

Harvest Holiday has cancelled, July 19 and July 26 as Swingtime is closed.

Triangle Squares are cancelling all of July dances and the Schmidtz reunion on August 22, 2020.

Ramblin' Rounds (Tuesday -Garland) will be back dancing on July 7.

Ramblin' Rounds (Wednesday-Dallas) dance center is closed, hope to dance in July.

Rainbow Rounds dancing at Swingtime is closed until August 1. Anticipate resuming dancing on August 5.

Dance Arounds the Plano center is closed until further notice. Probably resume in September.

Rebel Rousers have moved their Anniversary Dance from July 18, 2020 to December 19, 2020.

Texas Reelers have cancelled their Anniversary Dance that was to be on July 31,2020

Swinging Stars have cancelled their Anniversary dance that was to be on August 29, 2020.

Speegleville Special Dance - Allemande Hall - Due to the pandemic, Tim Tyl and Nelda Eaton are changing their previously scheduled weekend event to a 1 day only event on August 1 with an afternoon dance and an evening dance.

* * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * *

Stay Home - Stay Safe

* * * COMING EVENTS * * *

Friday, August 14 – Swinging Stars – SAFE Dance

Shepard Elementary (Our normal dance location.) is closed; however, **Grace Church** in Lucas has given us permission to hold a dance there.

Caller: Bobby Willis Cuer: Walter Brewer

Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Squares Refresher 7:30, Grand March 8:00

Note: How will it be safe? You will have your temperature taken before you enter, you will wear a mask, you will use hand sanitizer between tips, there will be no refreshments, and you will be encouraged to bring your own water bottle.

Friday, August 28 - Swinging Stars - SAFE Dance 2

If our first SAFE Dance on August 14 goes well, we will have a second SAFE Dance on August 28.

Caller: Bobby Willis
Cuer: Walter Brewer

Time: Early Rounds 7:00, Squares Refresher 7:30, Grand March 8:00

Location: Grace Church, 2005 Estates Parkway, Lucas, TX 75002 (Enter around back.)
Note: How will it be safe? You will have your temperature taken before you enter, you will wear a mask, you will use hand sanitizer between tips, there will be no refreshments, and you will be encouraged to bring your own water bottle.

* * * OTHER EVENTS * * *

Virtual Square Dance Tom Evanto

There was a square dance history making event that occurred this past Sunday afternoon, June 28th. 212 Google Zoom meeting participants and another 45 live on Facebook attended the first Virtual Square and Round Dance Festival. Mainstream SD, Plus SD, Phase-2 Rounds, & Phase-3 rounds were included in over 3-hours of dance tips. 9-callers and 2-cuers participated. There is already talk of holding another one sometime in the near future! If the word spreads, there could be as many as 1000 Google Zoom participants (I think 1000 Zoom participants is the current limit for the technology) next time.

Regards,

Tom Evanto (email: tae3@verizon.net)

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

Refreshment Duty Information

From Rick Pehrson (Rookie Refreshment Scheduler)

We want to thank these team members for your contribution to Swinging Stars. Your efforts make *Swinging Stars* the best club to visit in the metropolex.

Team leader should contact their team members the week before **the dance prior** to their scheduled dance so that each member can pick up a Refreshment Bag after that dance. Teams are responsible for food of their choice, ice and 5 tablecloths, which can be purchased at any Walmart or Dollar Tree.

If you need supplies contact First Vice Presidents Alex & Vanessa Nestor. Please do not buy supplies without first checking with the Nestors (469.235.2971) or 1stvp@swingingstars.org. If you have additional questions, call or text Rick Pehrson (972-837-6999) or email Rick at patrick33081@verizon.net.

Team members are responsible for finding a replacement if they are unable to fulfill their scheduled obligation (refer to the schedule below for possible subs – see current roster for email address or phone number). Please email Rick at patrick33081@verizon.net of the change.

Until further notice the Refreshment Duty Schedule will not be published in the Newsletter. The schedule will resume when refreshments are added back to the agenda.

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

As you all know by now, nationally known caller Jerry Story and his wife Kristi are both in the hospital with a diagnosis of COVID-19. Your prayers are appreciated and very much needed. Their home address is 2270 Marigold Blvd. Fairfield, lowa 52556, if you wish to send cards.

Wayne Baldwin talked to Linda Harris last week. He sounded much better and was in good spirits. He reported he was up and walking down the hall with help. It felt good to get his legs moving again. He also said they were keeping him very busy with physical therapy. He wanted to hear about the Harrises recent fishing trips and boating adventures as he had seen the picture of a catfish posted on Facebook. He will be going back to his senior living location on July 9th and will be continuing rehabilitation.

Rick Pehrson has made a full recovery and back to life without any restrictions. He thanks everyone for their prayers.

Special dates to put on your calendar

Friday October 23, 2020 – Swinging Stars Double Deal Dance Sunday November 8, 2020, 4:00 PM – Swinging Stars General Meeting – Location TBD Friday December 4, 2020 – Swinging Stars Annual Holiday Party – Haggard Party Barn

Listening Device Information

From Charlie and Linda Harris

At our dances, the Swinging Stars are pleased to loan, free of charge, a "listening device" to any requesting dancer. Current inventory is two devices, offered on a first-come first-served basis as each dance starts. Talk to Nevin Mulvin at the check in table. To answer questions about the listening device, email Charles Harris at harris.og/nac/bcglobal.net or phone 214-348-5361. Notice to anyone interested in purchasing a listening device receiver for square or round dancing, contact Charles Harris. He has one new William Sound PPA R-37. The new unit is priced at \$90.00 and includes the earphone. It is the 17 channel unit versus the 3 channel Listen Brand units and has a five-year warranty.

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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