

SWINGIN' SINGLES NEWSLETTER

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May 31	1	2	3	4	5	6 
7 2:02 PM Board Meeting	8	9	10	11	12	13
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BOARD MEETING

Date: June 7, 2020 2:02 PM

Location: Zoom Meeting ID 847 9476 4700, password 830801

Letter from the President

We hope you and your families are in good health and good spirits!

As of this writing, there are a few unknowns that are important to note. First, we don't know for certain when we are able to return to dancing. However, we believe we may be able to dance as early as June 30. Second, we don't know the results of the pending vote for the By Laws. We will let you know next weekend after the counting of the ballots. Regardless of the results, we are very proud of all the folks that worked on the By Laws directly. They are **Karen and Dan Juarez, Tom Newsom, Connie and Jay Templin, Janet Hettinger, Karen Fahrmeier, Tom Miller, Floyd Bartley, T.J. Rowe, Donna & Dan Pearson, Jeanne Schlotzhauer and Frank Wilson.**

During the May Board Meeting, the Board voted to give back to the community during these exceptionally difficult times. A donation of \$2,000 to Harvesters-The Community Food Network was approved by the Board. Harvesters is active in the metro area providing food to food banks or food pantries. On the day of our giving, the Royals matched our gift, bringing a total of \$4,000 to help those in need. Donations to Harvesters stay local, and this helps our community directly.

We changed our Board Meeting date to the first Sunday of the month and selected public locations that would accommodate more members should they wish to participate. Sadly, Covid-19 put the brakes on this as well. Therefore, we've been meeting via Zoom. If you would like to attend, our next meeting is at 2:02 PM on Sunday, June 7. The Meeting ID is 847 9476 4700 and the password is 830801. Or, you can call directly in at (312) 626-6799,, 84794764700##,, 1#, 830801#. We hope to be meeting in person soon.

Stay safe, be well, and we hope to see you in a square real soon!

Mike & Cindy

LESSONS UPDATE

Lessons have been cancelled until further notice. In the meantime, if you want to brush up on calls (especially for those recent graduates), the website below provides on-line instruction for Mainstream and Plus calls.

<https://www.videosquaredancelessons.com/lessons/>

VISITATION SCHEDULE

We have been missing everyone on the dance floor. Hope everyone is staying as safe as possible. It has been a great year of dancing so far. As soon as this virus is under control and it is safe, we will see you back out on the dance floor.

As some restrictions are being lifted, please check the websites below for updates on dance schedules.

Please check the following websites for dance schedules/news:
(hit ctrl+click to access the link)

Swingin' Singles: <http://www.swingin-singles.org>
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/280801079020837>

HOA: <http://www.wesquaredance.com/HOA/index.htm>

KSDA: <http://www.kansassquaredance.com/index.html>

NWMO: <http://www.squaredancemissouri.com/Missouri/index.htm>

KITCHEN KLATTER

Thanks to all the volunteers who have signed up to help in the kitchen. For those of you who have signed up for dances which have been cancelled, I will be contacting you to reschedule once we determine when dances will resume and to explain the new kitchen practices.

Thanks,
Dan Juarez, Refreshment Chairman

Thursday morning, May 21, Connie & Jay Templin awoke to find a flock of 30 pink flamingos on their front lawn. Thanks to Vera and Roger Crick, the youth group from North Star United Methodist Church placed the flamingos in the yard, on trees, and in the bushes. Needless to say, Connie was pleasantly surprised! In fact, she was tickled PINK!!



Long-time club member, Denny Eilenstine, has been diagnosed with lung cancer and will be undergoing treatment soon. If you would like to send a card or call, his contact information is listed in the directory.



June Birthdays

Name	Date	Name	Date
Don Norris	06/03	James (Bob) Stewart	06/15
Shirley Jamison Star	06/04	Karen Juarez	06/23
Lois Ragsdale	06/08	Pam Young	06/23
Cami Mayer	06/11	Denise Hayes	06/25
Bob Stevens	06/12	Linda Paulsen	06/27
Nikki Watts	06/13	Pat Urvant	06/27

VIGOROUS VISITOR AWARDS

According to the HOA vigorous visitor guidelines, nine visits qualifies a club for a vigorous visitor award. We will use the same guidelines for the club awards. The following 38 dancers have met these qualifications.

We wish to thank all of you who have helped to make this a very successful dance season. Hope to see all of you in a square soon. Stay safe and enjoy the summer!

Tom Miller, Vice-President

Name	# of Visits	Name	# of Visits
Glenda Danner	64	Chris Martin	18
Tom Miller	63	Pat Urvant	17
Jim Tiller	54	Tom Newsom	17
Francis Tiller	54	Dora Newsom	17
Mary Callen	36	Judy Holsted	14
Milo Daub	35	Niki Watts	14
Amanda Wilson	35	Jim Watts	14
Cindy Shedor	32	Michelle Elmore	14
Mike Shedor	32	Jerry Elmore	14
Harold McEhinney	31	Larry Hettinger	12
Stash Tasio	27	Janet Hettinger	12
Norma Popp	27	Denny Eilenstine	12
Carolyn Ellison	23	Renee Wycoff	11
Steve Ellison	23	Gene Allison	11
Bill Foreman	22	Bonnie Stevens	11
Sherre Foreman	22	Bob Stevens	11
Charlie Smith	19	Betty Dickenson	10
Angel Smith	19	Glenna Miller	9
Janet Guiheen	19	Ginny Battiest	9

Help Wanted

As we reviewed the By Laws, we realized we needed help in a few other areas. If you would like to be involved, would you consider serving on a committee that would have a limited number of meetings? We need your help! If you are willing to put a little time in to talk all of these through and help make a plan, either call or e-mail Mike or Cindy. We want to help rid you of your boredom!

Single Mingle Committee

Can we improve on an enjoyable experience of our single dancers? We want to make being single in our Club more vibrant and active. What's the best way? How do we greet singles at a dance? Do we want to use badges, ribbons or dance cards to self-identify? Shall we have a designated meeting area? How can we encourage more singles to join visitations? How do we increase the number of single dancers in the Club?

A Friendly Visitor Committee

How do we check-in a visitor who dances? How do we check-in a visitor who doesn't dance? How do we make sure that all our visitors feel welcome and appreciated? If a visitor who dances wants to join the Club, and they are an experienced dancer (Mainstream or above), how do we process the application? Should visitor dance donations be different than the donations for Club members?

Cookbook

We all know that square dancers come up with some great dishes. Is it time that we put a cookbook together?

What's the New Normal for our Club Committee

When we DO return to dancing, we need a plan and you are as expert in Covid-19 as the next person. Things to address include, but aren't limited to:

- at check-in, do we insist everyone washes hands? Wear a facemask? Identifies that he/she hasn't been sick in the past 14 days?
- at check-in, do we avoid handling the same pen?
- at check-in, do we take temperatures? (we can-we have the touchless thermometer)
- following every tip, do we encourage everyone to sanitize or wash?
- do we have a designated name writer for any cup?
- do we limit announcements to one person to avoid having multiple people using the same microphone?