

BUGLE

Square and Round Dancers of South Western Ontario Inc.

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President's Message



What a difference a day makes- that's a song title isn't it?

Well folks, we are in the midst of a new way of living these days. We have all accepted the facts handed down by world health authorities, to stay away from large gatherings.

We were all sorry to cancel March SWOSDA meeting and dance. We were so looking forward to being in Strathroy, where we are always so warmly received.

We're hearing news daily that this will not be over soon. We all need to learn to adjust our ideas of going about our day in a healthy and safe way. It is a time for us to rethink how we do things, and a good opportunity to perhaps slow down and appreciate the simpler things we normally take for granted in our rush to be super busy every day.

When this virus has been beaten, by our working together to keep safe, we will come out of this horrendous period in our history, healthy and happy people.

We need to listen to those who are trained in health science and be mindful of every thing we do. It is indeed a time to look out for our friends, family and neighbors, in a way we never have before. Do they need anything? Are they ok? Or merely appreciating a friendly phone call to help them know we all are in the same boat, and we truly care.

It is our wish that you all stay healthy and that we will see you on the dance floor when this current crisis is behind us.

In the meantime, practice some dancing at home- look at square and round dance videos online, keep moving and looking forward to joining together as we were so happy to do in the past. Remember, use it, or lose it! Do your allemande around the kitchen as you set the table, dosados as you clear the dishes- you can twinkle through as you vacuum the room- go ahead, you can do it. Just keep moving!

We are strong and we will get through this.

Until we meet again, keep dancing in your hearts!
SWOSDA President Couple,
Jim Ferris and Dot Mitchell



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Convention Watch

Those of us registered to attend the **Canadian National Square Dance Convention 2020** in Surrey, BC in late July are waiting anxiously to see whether the state of the world will allow this event to go ahead.



"The 2020 Canadian National committee is committed to our convention.

We realize that times are not what they once were and while there have been many cancellations of many dances, we remain optimistic that circumstances will change for the better. We hope to be the light at the end of the tunnel.

We will make a decision at the end of April, based on input from the government, medical and other informed individuals.

In the meantime, stay home and stay safe."

***Sylvia
Secretary for 2020 Festival
604-469-1661***



Dan Roy

Covid-19 – Such sad times.

When we all love to get out and do our thing, we are stuck at home, with laterally nowhere to go, and nothing to do – nothing fun anyway!

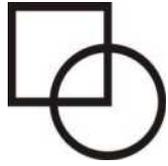
We miss our dancing friends, and look forward to the days when this obstacle passes, and we can get back to our day-to-day routine; and back to dancing. I am sending a virtual yellow rock out to all my wonderful friends.

TEACHER: Glenn, how do you spell 'crocodile?'

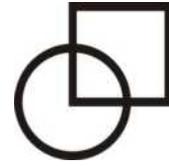
GLENN: K-R-O-K-O-D-I-A-L'

TEACHER: No, that's wrong

GLENN: Maybe it is wrong, but you asked me how I spell it.



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MONTHLY SPECIAL IN KITCHENER

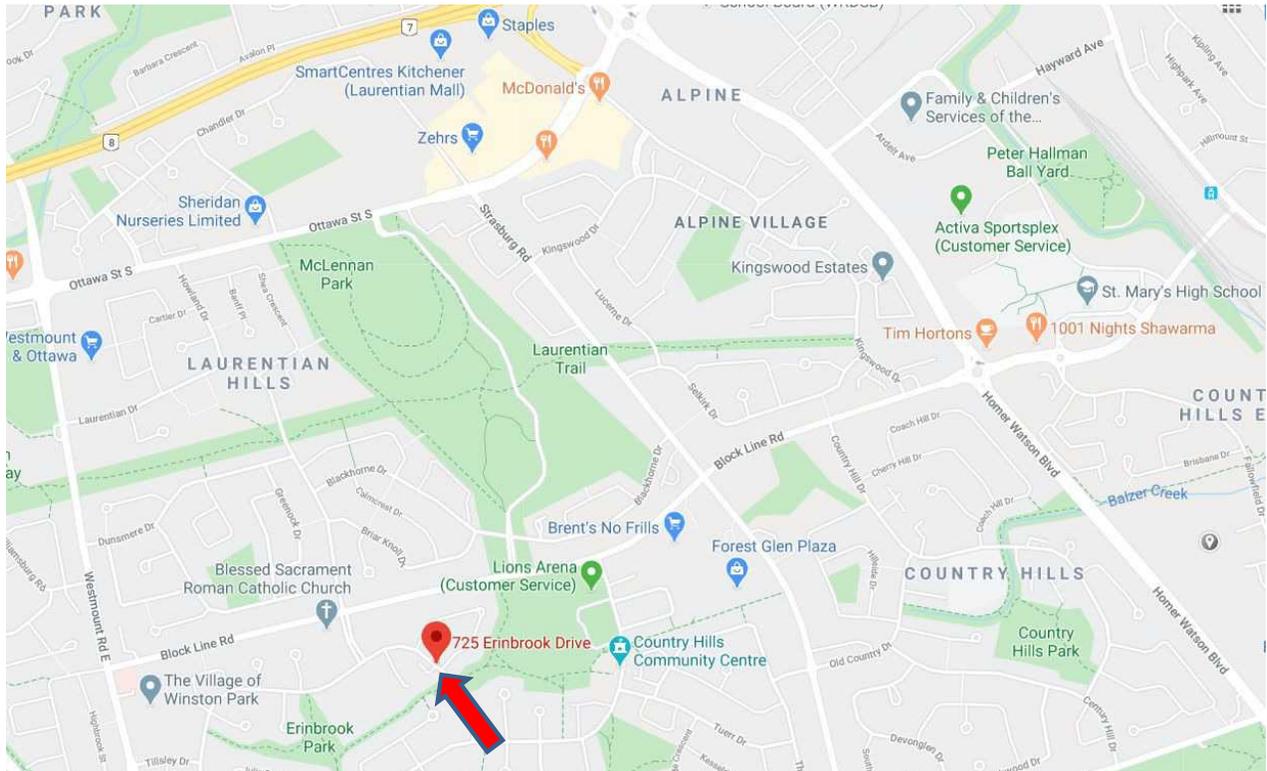
APRIL 25, 2020

2:00 – 5:00 & 6:30 – 9:30 ~ \$7.00 per dancer

Hosted by: Guys'n Dolls, Kitchener

Glencairn Mennonite Brethren Church,

725 Erinbrook Dr. Kitchener, ON - N2E 3E3



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Remember When...

Looking Back – 2020-04

OH! OH! In these days of covid-19 and social distancing in Canada I had decided to keep myself busy by house-cleaning my kitchen cupboards. I took occasional breaks at the TV to check on the latest updates in Canada and the US and quick runs, usually early morning, to the grocery store or pharmacy, if needed. When the aches got too much for me, I opened up my email, and Dan's reminder about the Bugle deadline caught my eye right away and I hurried down to the SWOSDA shelves to pull the April issues from 1970, '80, '90, 2000, and 2010 and went back to the kitchen, returning to my research as soon as the cabinet fronts were cleaned and polished.

April 1970 was filled with many informative reports from club and special events, e.g. Freshman Frolic, Callers Clinic. Because this issue was the last issue prior to the annual meeting, they also included reports for the executive on their responsibilities. There was a notice from Canadian Dancer News that they would again be publishing a square and round dance directory showing an update listing of callers, clubs, associations, price to be \$1 each, or slightly over (to be determined when advertising revenue is known) *How lucky we are to be able to just use a click of the mouse on our computer to access SWOSDA.ca to access so much of this info. Thanks Dan, for providing us with this access.*

The article copied below caught my attention. Did you know at one time we had a Junior SWOSDA ?
JUNIOR SWOSDA NEWS – excerpt from SWOSDA BUGLE, April 1970

For those who don't know, here is a brief history of Jr. SWOSDA. It was organized in 1963, by a group of junior square dance leaders with the blessing of Sr. SWOSDA. Chief guides in this undertaking were Earl and Marie Bowles, now of North Bay.

Each spring since then, elementary school children from S.W. Ontario, have met for a night of square dance fun and fellowship. The number of dancers has varied from 150 to 300 children with almost as many parents watching. The location has varied too - London, Woodstock, Exeter, Hensall, and Clinton, have all had one or more times as hosts. Calling the Jamboree for squares and mixers, and rounds, we have had Earl Bowles, Bill Blaney, Roy Fenn, Jed Denbigh, Norm Whiting, Max Fairfield, Cliff Beaver and Sharon Nunn. During the years when Earl was nearer, several workshops were held through Jr. SWOSDA, in London to help Jr. leaders to standardize their teaching of the Basics. (There is a continuing need for this, but there is so little available time.) Training in calling has proven of great help and interest to several junior dancers. (We hope there will be more of this.)

Now concerning our Spring Jamboree - Inter-area communication is our greatest problem. Where are groups of children? Where are they square dancing? Who are their leaders? What are they dancing?... Mrs. Mary Dunn (in the evening) at 471-1760 or 461 - 0699 or write her at 397 Byron Blvd. , :London Ontario...
My curiosity was piqued. Were you involved with this group or one of its members.? I plan on contacting Sharon Nunn who was a member of our club in Tillsonburg for a number of years to find out what she can tell me about it. How long did it continue? Take a little time to share with me what you know about it. I would be glad to build up an article about it hopefully someone has some pictures or an anecdote to share. Because I am behind schedule, I am just going to sign off now with a limited article. I will fill you in later.

Looking forward to hear from you. dndahm@sympatico.ca, 519-842-9212, 38 Kamps Crescent, Tillsonburg N4G 4Z3

Back to finishing my kitchen, Your historian, Dorothy Dahm

Dorothy (and Nick) Dahm, Historians

dndahm@sympatico.ca or familypatchwork.dd@gmail.com



Caller's Clinic Report

Next Meeting – TBD – see Website
See Website for Minutes of last meeting

Hello fellow callers and dancers. Well this has been trying times for many of you that cannot call or dance in your circles. In a weird but wonderful way it is heartwarming to know that our dance family is really such a huge part of our lives. I hope that you are all doing what you need to do to stay safe and virus free.

Our last event was the March 14th Frosh Dance at Richards Memorial. We had 32 dancers come out and 3 callers. The floor was hopping and a lot of happy dancing. Almost too much laughing going on, but that's a good thing! Thanks go out to Tom Charlton and Brian McIsaac for coming out and for a great night of calling. The only down side to this event is that once again, we did not get enough participants to cover the cost of the hall. Hopefully, next years' Frosh will bring out everyone that this event is put on for. As for the April 18th Frosh Dance, I am compelled to cancel in light of the fact that we do not know what lays ahead. The hall, however, needs to be cancelled within 21 days so it can be rented out and our deposit can be refunded. I am sorry this has to be done but for the good of all, we must comply and be safe. Callers, Neva McVittie, Gail Mottashed and Dan Weatherby, thanks for keeping this space for us on your calendar and we hope that you will sign up for the Frosh in April 2021!

I corresponded with Dan Weatherby this month and he said he will get a financial report out to all the callers as soon as he can. If any of the callers have any ideas or input for a future "live" meeting, I would be happy to hear about it. We need to stay strong in our ever shrinking group, so that we can help each other when needed. We have 3 great new callers coming up and we need to be a helpful resource for them as they progress down that "frustrating" and time consuming road that we have all travelled.

Neva and I attended the funeral for fellow caller Egbert Jacobs. Also, Dan has sent a donation and card for the families of all our Callers (including Bob Miller and Cuer Fred Dixon). I had intended to have a Callers Clinic Live in the afternoon of the April Frosh as we paid for the hall anyway, but now with it cancelled we need to consider dates for the future.

This summer, I am doing a Mainstream Workshop (Tues) and a Plus Workshop (Wed) at Richards from the first week of June to first week of Aug. (10 wks). See Flyers in the SWOSDA website. If anyone else is doing summer dancing or work shopping, please let me know and I will pass it on. So that is all the news I have right now and hope that everyone stays healthy so we can get out there and call a dance! Stay connected, I am only an email away. (e.dolson@hotmail.com)

Review from the Frosh Dance....

Thanks to the three callers who provided a variety of singing calls at various speeds to help the frosh in attendance to make it through the dance, plus it helped others to show off how their traditional skirts could make an impact. It was nice to reacquaint with other dancers from other clubs. A positive night despite only 3 squares at times; it was a good time with lots of laughter at times.

Thanks Ed and Nancy for continuing with the event.

Also a special thanks to Nancy and others who contributed to the snacks and refreshments. The nut loaf seemed to be a big hit. PS & DS

FEATURE

“Acknowledgement”

The act of expressing gratitude or appreciation for something
The action of showing that one has noticed someone or something
A statement of indebtedness to others

I am of the mindset that, dependant upon circumstance, all the above are significant and are paramount when associated with our Square and Round dancing activities.

We know enough to thank all those in our square at the completion of a tip, but did we think to acknowledge the caller or cuer for their expertise and the time it took them to prepare the dance program?

- Did we think that those yummy cookies and treats just magically appeared on the goodie table? Have you thought to thank those that prepared and brought those treats for your enjoyment?
- Are we so naïve to think that booking the hall, decorating, setting out tables and chairs, sweeping floors and cleaning up was all done by the dance fairy?
- When dancers come through the door to attend your dance, are you thinking that you are not needed to welcome them and that someone else will do it?
- Have you ever thought of how much work, time and knowledge go into the production of your monthly newsletter or publication and that perhaps that she or he would love to hear how much they are appreciated?
- Your club, association, Federation and Society executive members have taken a step forward and have committed their leadership time and talents to make our activity what it is, and they too appreciate acknowledgement with an occasional, simple thank-you.

Are you aware that a recent survey has indicated that nearly 50% of those that contribute freely of their time and talents would not do so if they felt they were not appreciated? Words of gratitude or of showing appreciation in our everyday lives can be powerful. We can all benefit from being recognized for things we have done. Gratitude is also an essential element of ones well-being. A sense of gratitude is a sincere, and positive experience that play a large part in increased moral and a happier life. Square and Round Dance leaders are not looking for cards, gifts, acts of service or words of praise. A simple thank you goes a long way.

Whether you are grateful for something big such as an award or a recognition certificate for something you have done, or for something small, such as a caller offering words of support or a teach that has contributed to you being a better dancer, expressing your gratitude can mean a lot to that person who has helped you. This can also cultivate kindness and create positive relationships on the dance floor and in our personal lives.

Let's open our hearts. Let's acknowledge what others do for us, not only in association with dancing, but in our everyday lives. Show your appreciation for the little things in life as well as for those things of significance. Don't just think it, say it! Put a smile on someone's face and you might be surprised what it does for you as well. Hop aboard the "Gratitude" train and watch it enhance your experiences of joy, connection, love and enthusiasm on the dance floor and in every aspect of your life.

A thank you for someone holding the door for you, a wave to the driver of the other car for yielding you the right of way or to the postman for delivering your mail. We all have so many opportunities to acknowledge kindness and to show gratitude.

Experience the rush, the feel good, the sensation of a warm feeling knowing you have put a smile or a happy thought in someone's heart and mind.

See you on the dance floor and thanks for taking time to read this article.

CLUB NEWS

Send Club News to bugle@swosda.ca

Centennial Beavers - London

Our club danced right up to March 13th and we did the Frosh Dance the next day. We all have been self quarantined since that date.

Talk about Friday the 13th Luck. We had our St. Paddy's Dance and half of us forgot and the other half came dressed in brilliant Irish embellishments. Those people also brought food for the Grazing Table. What would we have done without them. It ended up being a really fun night.

We were all in good health, not out of the country and practicing our hand washing and using hand sanitizers after each set. So we all agreed to go to the FROSH DANCE the next night. The hall was paid for and we were thinking it may be our last chance to dance so we went.

The dance was amazing. There were only 3 squares but boy was it a laugh and a half. Everyone there did the same preventive measures and we all took care to have tissues and arms ready to catch those sneezes. The Caller's wives did the lunch for the dancers and it was a delicious feast.

Our club is now closed until further notice. Like the rest of you we are trying to stay home and stay safe. We are keeping in touch with each other by email and messenger and the odd phone call. Don't forget those dancers who live alone and have no email....give them a call just to say hi and tell them they are thought of.

Our Friday night dance is just suspended, not cancelled forever, so when we get over this pandemic we will dance up a storm. We are watching the Bugle for updates and new things happening. go to swosda.ca

We are still looking forward to the summer programs and the convention.!!!



Clinton Wheel 'N' Dealers

27 Percival Street, Clinton

Presidents. Don and Kathy Procter 519-357-9557

Caller Dave and Blanche Paulen 519-348-8335

Dancing Wednesday 7:30-9:30 pm Mainstream with announced tips
Traditional and Casual Attire welcome at our regular club dances

Regular dances January 8th to May 6th 2020

WEEKLY DANCING HAS BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

The Clinton Wheel n Dealers were able to get a couple of weekly dances in before we had to shut down due to the COVID 19 Outbreak.

We were pleased to welcome the Country Squares from Rostock for a fun night of dancing and a succession attempt of stealing our banner. An enjoyable night was had by all.

We remind our club members that we currently do not have a Vice President in place. It takes us all to do our parts to keep the club moving forward.

These are challenging times for everyone and all our clubs are feeling the disappointment of not being able to gather to enjoy fellowship with our square dancing friends. Hopefully this will be short term and we will all be back on the dance floor soon.

STAY HOME AND STAY SAFE.

Ian and Debbie Hulley
President Couple.

[Denim'N Lace - Flesherton](#)

In previous issues of The Bugle we have extended an invitation to attend our Spring Fling Dance scheduled for Saturday May 9, 2020.

We regret that we have made the decision to cancel this year's Spring Fling due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. In addition, we have cancelled our weekly dances for the remainder of this term. At the same time, we look forward the 2020-2021 dancing season with our first dance in September.

Denim 'n Lace has had an active and enjoyable year; the highlight of course was our Introduction to Modern Square Dancing and the 17 new members that joined. The new members excelled under the tutelage of Caller Jim Lee. Unfortunately, the season has been cut short due to coronavirus pandemic; our plans are to continue the program for the new dancers in the fall and hold the graduation in December.

Each of our Special Dances was well attended, the hall was decorated to mark the theme, our lunches challenged our waistlines and the dancing was enjoyable. Our March Special Dance was our St. Patrick's Dance, convened by Sue King. Sue and many of the dancers were dressed to the Irish theme. Again, Irish treats and decorations added to the occasion.

Best Wishes to all our fellow dancers. As we've been told so often, wash your hands, practice social distancing, self-isolate (stay home and keep your distance from others). Keep healthy!

Mel Chamberlain
Bugle Correspondent

[Guys n' Dolls Square Dance Club - Kitchener](#)

We are saddened that the ongoing coronavirus has disrupted so much in the world and in our square dance world. It may well have ended our season but we will be well rested for the next season. We trust that all are taking every precaution and safeguard to protect our most vulnerable age group and praying that life will get back to perhaps a new normal soon.

Our last dance was held on March 6 and as our dancing schedule skips over St. Patrick's day several came decked out in their green finery in advance, green coloured foods were served and everyone had a great night.

As soon as the world starts turning again and life returns to normal I am confident that our Presidents, Mark and Heather, will keep us posted. Please keep checking the web page for updates.



As this is the final report of the season we wish you all a safe and enjoyable summer. Many thanks to our executive for all their hard work and dedication over the past season, our wonderful caller Dan Weatherby, and to all the dancers who came out to support our club.

Bugle Gal, Donna Reed,
Guys and Dolls Club.

[Hanover Happy Twirlers - Hanover](#)

Due to the Coronavirus / covid-19 pandemic, the Hanover Happy Twirlers have cancelled all regular dances until further notice. This includes our Sundae on a Saturday Afternoon dance on April 18 with Jim Lee. We hope everyone stays safe and well through this difficult time.

Hanover Happy Twirlers
Sundae On a Saturday Afternoon Dance
April 18th, 2020
with Jim Lee
CANCELLED

Eric & Joyce Fatum
Correspondents

Bugle

[Huron Bruce Swingers - Lucknow](#)

On this Monday morning, the ground is "white" again, a sign that winter has not left even though the calendar says it is spring. Some areas do have spring flowers coming up.

But what can we say about square dancing? Square dancing certainly is not an activity where we practise social distancing - no yellow rocks these days. The Covid-19 world pandemic is challenging the world. We cannot meet in groups and all schools, public buildings, etc. where clubs dance are closed. The enclosed item was sent to me and who would have thought that someone would predict that in 2020 a flu like illness would occur throughout the world. Sometimes it would be nice to predict the future but not in these terms.



When will we get back square dancing? It is not known at this time. We would like to have a wind up dance ending 50 years as the Huron-Bruce Swingers, but like so many other things it is "on hold". All we can say is stay safe and stay healthy. We will get back dancing. Remember, April showers bring May flowers. Also April celebrates Easter, so Happy Easter everyone.

Yellow rocks from a distance,
Sharon McDonald
Bugle Correspondent

[Huron Happy Hearts - Clinton](#)

Well all the best-laid plans go by the wayside...

No school available, no dancing, no music, no friends to gather around and rejoice with! Funny how one little flu-like symptom has developed into a major event; an event we don't want anywhere near us! Hope everyone is paying close attention to the warnings, and keeping a low profile.

Everyone is at home, watching the news and waiting for new developments. It's given us the opportunity to reflect, and think about what is really important. It's also given us a chance to dust off those board games, play cards, do some sewing, do some cleaning, and even some baking; I had not smelt fresh bread baking for some time; sure is nice.

This too will pass; let's be patient and thankful for all the good times we have had, and keep looking forward to a brighter future.

The Bugle Guy

[Jubilee Rounds - St. Jacobs](#)

Greetings from Jubilee Rounds in St. Jacobs:

We hope you had a very special St. Patrick's Day!

The current situation around the world has made for interesting times and challenges. Due to Covid-19 Jubilee Rounds has not danced since March 12. We miss the dancers very much and hope that this will all be behind us very soon.

Saturday March 14th – Afternoon: We hosted a Rhythm Concepts clinic for Waltz and Rumba at St. James Lutheran Church in St. Jacobs. As this was a pre-registration event, all those signed up felt comfortable coming in the afternoon to have some fun. As Round Dancing is basically only you and your partner, the social distancing didn't present any issues for the couples attending. We had some fun learning a few new moves and a couple of dances.

When dancing resumes, Jubilee Rounds will still be at St. James Lutheran Church in St. Jacobs - dancing on Thursday evenings. Visitors are always welcome! If you wish to join us, please feel free to come out Thursdays at 7:00pm. In the event of cancellations due to bad weather or other schedule changes, check our website after 4:00pm. www.shadowlightdance.com

We are very much looking forward to getting back to our normal dance routine and seeing all those wonderful people we are missing right now.

Happy Easter everybody - Stay healthy....

For info: Andrea or Jeff at: 1-519-752-2172 or andrea@jeffreypriest.com
Printable flyers are on our website: www.jeffreypriest.com

Happy Dancing,
Jeff Priest ☺

[Royal City Squares - Guelph](#)

Royal City Squares jointly hosted its annual dance with Toronto & District Square and Round Dance Association on March 7th at Paisley Road School in Guelph. Callers Jeff Priest and Dave Williamson delivered an awesome program of lively square dances. Andrea Priest cued the popular round dancing component. Our own developing caller, Brian MacIsaac, called a couple of fun dances with his usual flair and wit. There were just over five squares on the dance floor at both the afternoon and the evening sessions, with attendance down a bit from last year, possibly due to the emerging corona virus situation. Many thanks to dancers from surrounding clubs who attended.

The clothing sale was unexpectedly busy. We accept donations of gently-used square dance clothing and accessories on an ongoing basis and hold a couple of sales each year, which are especially popular with new dancers. Funds generated contribute to Club operations.

Classes, dances and all club activities are now on hold as we hunker down to deal with this global pandemic. Looking forward to getting back on the dance floor as soon as can be expected. In the meantime, we wish everyone good health.

Saddlebrooke Squares, [video dance lessons](#), an easy way to review calls or learn new ones.

Tam Twirlers' [Taminations](#), animated square dance calls, one of the most popular sites for serious square dancers to review the full set of Callerlab modern square dance calls from Basic to Challenge. You can even get the app for your phone.

A recent newsletter from [T&D](#) reminded me of the treasure trove of videos on the [Square Dance History site](#). If you're whiling away some time, you could fall into a [rabbit hole](#) here, whether you're interested in how square dancing has evolved, learning to call, or exploring more of the wild and wonderful world of square dancing.

In the meantime, we wish everyone - dancers, callers and cuers, friends and family - a safe and healthy time as we hunker down and wait. Bee well!

[ShadowLight Dance Club - SW Ontario](#)

Good Bye to St. Patrick's Day... Hello Easter!

Visit our website Calendar page for ALL our flyers www.shadowlightdance.com



At the current time, due to Covid-19, ALL our clubs are shut down

Saturday March 14th – Afternoon: We hosted our Rhythm Concepts clinic for Waltz and Rumba at St. James Lutheran Church in St. Jacobs. As this was a pre-registration event and all those who signed up were still willing to attend, we went ahead with it. As a couples dance only, the social distancing was not an issue. We had an enthusiastic group of dancers join us for the afternoon and had a great time reviewing some new moves and also learning a couple of dances.

March 14th – Evening: “Wearin’ O’ The Green” was cancelled due to Covid-19. Being an open dance, we felt the social distancing rule could not be maintained and it was best to not have this event.

We are still hopeful that our Camp and Dance weekends will happen and we will be able to celebrate our 50th “Puddle Jumper”!

Camp & Dances: It’s not too early to start thinking about camp and dance weekends. Our May weekend, May 7-10, 2020 The Trillium Spring Fling (aka “The Puddle Jumper”) for PLUS dancers, at The Rock Glen Family Resort in Arkona, is filling up!! This will be our last Trillium Spring Fling. After 50 years we are closing down this dance at the end of the weekend. Rock Glen has cabins too, so not just for campers, this is a great facility!

We will also be hosting our “Advanced Extravaganza” for Advanced dancers September 10-13, 2020 – it too is filling up; we only have a few spots available so get your registrations in. If you would like to join us for either of these weekends, the flyers are on our website www.shadowlightdance.com or www.swosda.ca or contact us and we will get you registered.

Summer Dancing:

We are still planning to have our PLUS DBD sessions again this year on Wednesday afternoons in St. Thomas The Apostle Church in Cambridge starting on June 3, 2020.

Happy Easter and we hope you all stay Healthy and Safe!

We look forward to seeing you on the dance floor when they all open again!

Happy Dancing and More – Much More!

Andrea & Jeff Priest

ShadowLight Dance Club

Check out our website for flyers - www.shadowlightdance.com

519-752-2172

Sound Steppers - Owen Sound

Hello fellow dancers, in this time of uncertainty we hope that all are safe and sound at home.

The Owen Sound club as well as others have cancelled our dance nights until further notice but will post it on our Facebook page when we will returning and any further news.

Our club had a busy March. We had a group of girls and their leaders from the 2nd Owen Sound Rangers (a branch of Girl Guides of Canada). We had them join us in basic square dance moves and also doing the Macarena and the famous Chicken dance. It was a real joy having them with us.



We also celebrated Duncan's birthday with cake and ice cream.



If we are back dancing on schedule our next specialty dance is our Easter Bonnets night on Thurs April 9th at 630pm, but we will keep you informed as we get closer to the date.

We hope everyone stays safe and healthy and hope to see you all on the dance floor when we resume and check our Facebook page for updates.

www.facebook.comowensoundsteppersdanceclub

Linda Wedow
Bugle Rep

Strathroy Swinging Duo's

With the threat of COVID-19 our March dance schedule came to an abrupt halt. We were able to have two enjoyable weeks on the dance floor before we were forced to take a three-week break. We welcomed guest caller Neva McVittie on March 3rd. Neva had a couple of mixers which had everyone mingling and making friends set to music. Thank you Neva, for a fun and enjoyable evening.

The Introduction to Modern Square Dance committee is busy making preparations to begin on October 7, 2020. Posters and cards have been designed and printed, ready for distribution.

Swinging Duos Strathroy has cancelled all square dancing dates for this season which ends at the end of April.

We are planning to have two summer dances, We will see how things are then if we have to cancel or if we can proceed with the dances.

At this time of uncertainty it is our prayer that everyone remains healthy and that we can soon resume dancing and meeting in a square.

God Bless,
Jake and Jean Hamstra
519-245-3954



Murphy's Hat

Murphy showed up at Mass one Sunday & the priest almost fell down when he saw him. He'd never been to church in his life.

After Mass, the priest caught up with him & said, "Murphy, I am so glad ya decided to come to Mass. What made ya come?"

Murphy said, "I got to be honest wid ya Father, a while back, I misplaced me hat & I really, really love that hat. I know that McGlynn had a hat just like mine & I knew he came to church every Sunday . I also knew that he had to take off his hat during Mass & figured he would leave it in da back of the church. So, I was going to leave after Communion & steal McGlynn's hat."

The priest said, "Well, Murphy, I notice that ya didn't steal McGlynn's hat. What changed your mind?"

Murphy replied, "Well, after I heard your sermon on the 10 Commandments I decided that I didn't need to steal McGlynn's hat after all."

With a tear in his eye the priest gave Murphy a big smile & said;"After I talked about 'Thou Shalt Not Steal' ya decided you would rather do without your hat than burn in hell, eh ?"

Murphy slowly shook his head. "No, Father, after ya talked about 'Thou Shalt Not Commit Adultery, ' I remembered where I left me hat."



Square & Round Dancers Of South Western Ontario

ROUND DANCE PARTY

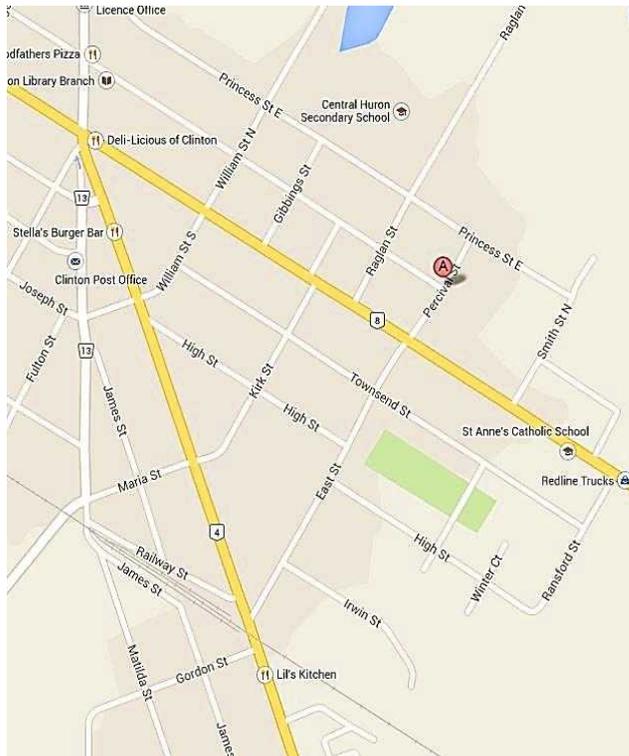
MAY 23, 2020

CLINTON, ON

2:00pm – 4:30pm - Phase II – IV

Program will be posted at the Dance

Cost: \$ 7.00 per person – Incl. Refreshments



Hosted by:

Huron Happy Hearts

Location:

Clinton Public School

27 Percival St.,

Clinton, ON N0M 1L0

For further information or program details

Please visit: www.swosda.ca

Or Contact:

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