



# Swinging Stars

## Square and Round Dance Club

***Newsletter for May 3, 2020***

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### **Message from Presidents**

**Doug and Jan Bergesen**

ATTENTION! MEETING LOCATION CHANGED!

On May 17, we will be having our club meeting, but it won't be at a restaurant. It will be at a church. Grace Church, 2005 Estates Parkway, Allen/Lucas around to the BACK.

We will still meet from 4:00 to 6:00 (or till we're finished) but there will be no food. Everyone will have their temperature taken before entering. Please wear a mask. If you don't have one, we'll furnish one for you. Don't forget to wear your nametag so we can tell who you are with all those masks!

We are still planning on dancing on June 12th, but we're not sure where yet. It will be a "safe" dance with temperature taken before entering, hand sanitizer between tips, masks, and no refreshments.

Want some fun? Richard Covington sent us a square dance word search! You'll find it attached to this newsletter somewhere. Find it!

Click: [http://www.swingingstars.org/Square\\_Dance\\_Word\\_Search.pdf](http://www.swingingstars.org/Square_Dance_Word_Search.pdf)

Stay healthy and safe,  
Doug and Jan Bergesen

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### **A message from Chairman of the Anniversary Ball**

**Lorraine Burson**

The May 29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance has been postponed till August 29<sup>th</sup>. August 29<sup>th</sup> is a 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday. All the planning will be kept. If you have signed up to do something it will remain the same unless you want to change your wishes. We are hopeful we will be able to have the dance in August, but we will continue to monitor the situation to be sure all is safe before continuing with dancing. Thank you and stay well.

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### **2<sup>nd</sup> 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

## Swingtime Center closed to all dances through June 13<sup>th</sup>.

A notice on the Swingtime Center door, dated March 19, 2020, stated in part "Effective immediately and for the **next 90 days (as of 03/13/20)**, the City of Forest Hill is implementing, in accordance with the emergency management policy of the City of Forest Hill, the following mandatory guidelines.....it is mandated that the cancellation of all such gatherings of **more than 50 people be cancelled until further notice.**"

**Lone Star Solos are canceling their dances for May.**

**Triangle Squares say they have cancelled thru May.**

**Double Plus cancelled their dance for May**

### 58th Annual - Texas State Federation Square and Round Dance Festival

June 11 - 14, 2020 - Tyler, Texas **cancelled**. For more information, check their web site: <http://www.squaredancetx.com/festival.html>

### 69th National Square Dance Convention June 17-20, 2020 – Spokane, WA **cancelled**.

For more information, check their web site: <https://www.69nsdc.org/>

## \* \* \* EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK \* \* \*

**Stay Home - Stay Safe**

## \* \* \* COMING EVENTS \* \* \*

**The Swinging Stars has canceled all of their dances for May.**

### Sunday May 17, 2020, 4:00 PM – Swinging Stars General Meeting

Grace Church, 2005 Estates Parkway, Lucas, TX

See Map: <https://goo.gl/maps/5E6vWZ2w3Qheg6hi9>

**The next dance scheduled for the Swinging Stars is June 12.**

## \* \* \* OTHER EVENTS \* \* \*

**Swinging Stars Ladies Luncheon.** No Luncheon's are scheduled until the time when it will be safe for us to get together again.

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### 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

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### 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 metropollex.

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](mailto:1stvp@swingingstars.org). If you have additional questions, call or text Rick Pehrson (972-837-6999) or email Rick at [patrick33081@verizon.net](mailto: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](mailto:patrick33081@verizon.net) of the change.

June 12 – **TBD** - Will advise June 12<sup>th</sup> Team after April 26th Board Meeting.

June 26 – **Hamm**, Goebel, Harris, Stewart (Theme – Beach Party)

July 10 – **Pitts**, Gulickson, Hardin, Bushell

July 24 – **Perrott**, Colter, Estep, Morris

August 14 – **Cave**, Lassiter, Nejd, Zhang

August 29 – **Anniversary Dance** (All Members participate)

September 11 – **Dennison**, Reid, Evanto, Holland

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### Sunshine information

**From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter**

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Jean Sobotka and her family for the loss of her husband Adam this past week.

From Jean Sobotka and daughter Wendy Burrer, " Adam Sobotka, 77, passed away April 30,2020, after a lengthy battle with dementia. He died peacefully with his family present. He and Jean were square dancers for 10 years with the Swinging Stars. Once we are able to, the family will hold a memorial mass in his honor."

Cards can be sent to Jean and family to: 7604 Liberty Drive Plano, Texas 75025-3636.

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## Special dates to put on your calendar

Sunday May 17, 2020, 4:00 PM – Swinging Stars General Meeting – Grace Church, 2005 Estates Parkway, Lucas, TX See Map: <https://goo.gl/maps/5E6vWZ2w3Qheg6hi9>

5<sup>th</sup> Saturday August 29, 2020 – Swinging Stars 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance

Theme “Swinging Stars Anniversary Ball”

Friday October 23, 2020 – Swinging Stars Double Deal Dance

Friday December 4, 2020 – Swinging Stars Annual Holiday Party – Haggard Party Barn

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## 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 [harris0907@sbcglobal.net](mailto:harris0907@sbcglobal.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.

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### Web Master Dave Burson

Be sure to check out our web page: [www.swingingstars.org](http://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.

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## 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](mailto: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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