



Swinging Stars

Square and Round Dance Club

Newsletter for May 24, 2020

Message from Presidents

Doug and Jan Bergesen

We are looking forward to dancing with all of you Swinging Stars that feel comfortable being out. Our first safe dance will be June 12th. 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. The schedule for the evening will be a little bit different as well. We will have early rounds from the 7 to 7:30, a refresher course from Bobby from 7:30 to 8, and one or two plus tips during the night. Hope to see you there!

Jan and Doug Bergesen

Highlights from the Swinging Stars General Meeting May 17, 2020

Michelle Mae, Secretary

Election of Officers: President: Doug & Jan Bergesen, 1st Vice President: Alex & Vanessa Nestor, 2nd Vice President: Ralph & Lucy Hamm, Secretary: Michelle Mae, Treasurer: Nevin & Sara Mulvin were voted in unanimously. They will begin their term on August 1, 2020. Ralph and Lucy Hamm were the only new officers replacing Dave and Lorraine Burson as 2nd Vice Presidents. Thank you to Dave and Lorraine Burson for their excellent service as our current 2nd Vice Presidents!

Format Change: We decided to change the format of the 7:00-8:00 hour at our dances. Starting on June 12, the format will be Early Rounds from 7:00 to 7:30 and Squares Refresher from 7:30 to 8:00. This change will enable Walter Brewer and Bobby Willis to help us all dust off our skills after our COVID-19 hiatus!

Location Change: We will resume dancing on June 12 at Grace Church, 2005 Estates Parkway, Lucas, TX 75002. That will be our location until the schools open up their buildings again.

SAFE Dances: The June 12th dance, and the ones following it, will be SAFE dances. Everyone will be required to wear a mask, and temperatures will be taken at the entry door. Hand sanitizer will be readily available for use as often as needed and after every tip. Please bring your own water bottle so that we won't be touching cups and water pitchers or water fountains. Also, please bring your own mask if you have one. A few masks will be made available, but do bring your own if you can. Also, to enable us all to keep our masks on throughout the evening, there will be no refreshments at the June 12 dance.

A message from Chairman of the Anniversary Ball

Lorraine Burson

The May 29th Anniversary Dance has been postponed till August 29th. August 29th is a 5th 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.

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

Swingtime Center closed to all dances through July 31st

Dear Club Presidents and NORTEX Officers,

Please see the below message from Tanya Crockett, President of CASUL.

Hello, everyone.

As a result of the May 23rd Bd Meeting, Swingtime Center will reopen on **Saturday, August 1, 2020**.

Circle 8 dances at Swingtime on that date. They have scheduled Tony Oxindine as a guest caller.

This should be a good barometer to measure dancers willingness to return to square dancing.

Based on governmental guidelines, the CASUL Executive Board will establish the protocols necessary for the reopening of Swingtime and the protection of our dancers. All recommendations will require **APPROVAL BY THE BOARD**.

The following items were discussed at the board meeting:

- Necessary requirements from our insurance provider concerning liability.

- Closing the kitchen.

- Sanitizing after each event.

- Requiring temperature checks for everyone entering the building.

- Use of hand sanitizer.

- Posting a notice on the front door limiting our responsibility.

These are a few of the considerations that were discussed. I will keep you posted as we continue to gather information.

I really appreciate the support of the CASUL Board, callers, cuers, and dancers.

Thank you,
Tanya Crockett

Swingtime Memorial day dances is cancelled

Harvest Holiday cancelled their May dance.

Double Plus cancelled their dance for May.

Lone star has cancelled their dances to the end of June.

Texas Reelers have cancelled their dances for June.

Circle I cancelled their dance for June 6.

Cliff Dwellers cancelled their dance for June 12

58th Annual - Texas State Federation Square and Round Dance Festival June 11 - 14, 2020 - Tyler, Texas canceled. For more information, check their web site: <http://www.squaredancetx.com/festival.html>

69th National Square Dance Convention June 17-20, 2020 – Spokane, WA canceled. For more information, check their web site: <https://www.69nsdc.org/>

*** * * EVENTS FROM THE PAST WEEK * * ***

Stay Home - Stay Safe

*** * * COMING EVENTS * * ***

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.

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.

June 12 – **TBD** - Will advise June 12th 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, ???

August 14 – **Cave**, Lassiter, Nejd, Zhang
August 29 – **Anniversary Dance** (All Members participate)
September 11 – **Dennison**, Reid, Evanto, Holland

Sunshine information

From Lucy Hamm our Sunshine Reporter

We send our thoughts and prayers out for Bob and Kathy Estep.. Bob has been admitted to the Dallas Medical Center Hospital. On Monday May 5th he had a CT Scan and was admitted the same day for significant bronchial pneumonia. He has had oxygen treatments. "He is getting better daily but very slowly". They are allowed to communicate via phone only of course. Bob hopes to be out of the hospital next week " but it might be longer. Otherwise we are both doing good". Thanks to Kathy and Bob for sharing this information. Kathy's phone number is in the roster. Cards can be sent to 3249 Sailmaker Plano, Texas 75023-3610.

Special dates to put on your calendar

5th Saturday August 29, 2020 – Swinging Stars 45th 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

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 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).

Dave Burson

Newsletter Editor

Swinging Stars

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Swinging Stars

SAFE Dance

Caller:
Bobby Willis

Cuer:
Walter Brewer

Friday, June 12, 2020

Grace Church
2005 Estates Parkway
Lucas, TX 75002
(Enter around back.)



*Face masks
REQUIRED. A
few will be
available, but
please bring
your own if you
have one.)*



*Temperatures
will be checked
at the door.*



Good Clean Fun!!!

*Please bring your
own bottle of water!*

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

***Honey Pot *No Refreshments**



For Info: 972-834-3097 or President@swingingstars.org

We dance every 2nd and 4th Friday.

Visit our Web Site: www.swingingstars.org

Dancers Under 18 Free When Accompanied By A Paying Adult



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