

RRVA News

Red River Valley Square and Round Dance Association

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July – August 2013



Special Dance Schedule

Square Dance Land

812 Travis, Wichita Falls, TX

DATE	CLUB	PLACE	CALLER
August 24	Levis & Lace	SDL	Gary Shoemake
October 25	Wrangler Club Visitation	SDL	

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July

Birthdays

Jimmy Smith	Darla Daily	Eddie Dunn
Norman Deason	Kayla Ward	Marge Conklin
Jim Murphy	Lou Tanner	Louise Morton
Richard Morton	Margaret Waller	Summer Green
Huck Harper	Brenda Hardy	Jim Gray
Mirl Robertson	Carroll Trotter	Mo Forester

Anniversaries

Jim & Lee Humphrey	Tim and Lou Tanner
Ken & Susan Jarosz	Richard & Louise Morton
Eddie & Sondra Dunn	Jimmy and Charlotte Smith
Robert & Dosha Steflik	Henry & Susan Krusekopf

August

Birthdays

Jerry Whatley	Ann Jackson	Tommy Moore
Sherry Ward	Wayne Salmon	Betty Weist
Maggie Sewell	Glenda Wadley	John Carson

Anniversaries

Jim & Judy McMillion	Jim & Chesta Owens
Andy & Genny Frerich	Kim & Gail Peterson
Wayne & Ann Jackson	Fred & Wanda Mount
Jerry & Tommy Jo Epley	Robert & Pam Walker

From the Desk of the Presidents

We are made wise not by the recollection of our past, but by the responsibility for our future. ~George Bernard Shaw

The past holds so much dear to us. With fifty years of a past, many lives have been touched by square dancing and the friendships formed. We will be honoring those memories in a few months. The fiftieth RRVA anniversary dance is Saturday, September 21, 2013. Put it on your calendar now as the place to be on that date. Check out our web site for more details.

As we honor the past, we must look to the future. For the future of square dancing, we must all do our part to help our clubs grow in membership. Publicity is a key to growth. It is the goal of the RRVA board this year to remember and celebrate the past, and at the same time, determine new and untried ways to let the public learn what a grand culture square dancing entails. Please let your officers know of any ideas you have to get the word out.

One means of publicity is to get our community involved in square dancing. With that in mind, RRVA will help the 4H club host their family night at our hall on Friday, August 16th. Tim Tanner is donating his time and calling for them. We need all the angels we can get to help the young people and their parents have a great time – such a great time that they want to learn to **really** square dance. The dancing (Tim will teach enough steps to get them dancing.) will start at 6:45 to 9:00. We look forward to seeing you there.

Many of us had a fabulous time at the State Federation dance. By the time you get this newsletter, we will have attended the National Dance in Oklahoma City. What a month for special dancing.

The first 2013-2014 quarterly RRVA meeting will be Sunday, July 21, at 2:00p.m. We hope to see you there.

Jim and I thank you for your confidence in our ability to lead RRVA this coming year. We look forward to many exciting events and sharing those events with all our square dance friends.

Pray for Rain!

♪♪♪♪ *See you in a square with a ☺ on your face* ♪♪♪♪

Jim and Chesta Owens

Levis & Lace

Happy 4th of July ya little firecrackers 🇺🇸 Hope you have a safe one. For those traveling this summer let us know where you go, we'd like to share it with everyone. We would like to say a big THANK YA'LL to our 2012-2013 officers: President—Don & Audrey, Vice President—Jerry & Sandra, Secretary—John & Mary, and Treasurer—Yreva. We thank the previous officers for tirelessly serving and giving of their time to make sure we had fun dances. We also had several get togethers through the year—thanks to Audrey and Don. That helps promote good will and gives you a chance to visit with other club members. Thank you Don and Audrey!! Welcome to our new officers: Wayne & Linda—President, Phelica and Daniel—Vice President, Tommy Jo and Jerry—Secretary, Audrey & Don—Treasurer. We know you will serve our club well. If you haven't served as an officer for Levi's & Lace, you might entertain the idea for next term. It is a wonderful way to help the club out and bring new ideas.

We have a few new club members. Betty has joined. It is also great to have Bob rejoin us! Welcome!

Our dance June 7th with Curtis Sarah was a great but small dance. He was a really good caller that kept us a dancing. I am glad he came just for us, since some of us were not able to go to the Texas State Festival.

June was a great square dance month. The San Marcos Texas State Festival was fun and well attended by our area. If you didn't make nationals you missed a whole lot of fun, there were a whole lot of dancers. Get geared up for June Nationals next year in Little Rock, Arkansas. Another close one!! Be there and be square 😊

Have you checked around the website lately? www.rrvsda.org. What an outstanding job on this website. A wealth of information at a click of a button. Great job! This is a big information tool not just for local square dancers but any one whom might be searching the web for a fun square dance on their travels.

I would like to ask the Levi's & Lace members coming to the dance July 5th to bring a snack if they would like. Snack food, something that you really like. You can tell a lot about an individual by the snack food they prefer. For those traveling during that time for the 4th we will miss you at the dance and hope your travels are safe.

We have noticed several of our graduated "plus" students out there dancing! Keep up the great work!

A special mainstream with announced plus dance with Gary Shoemake, a national caller, scheduled Thursday August 29. Please note this date and we hope to see you at this special dance! This is another wonderful square dance opportunity! A Thursday night dance isn't common in these parts so let's do this and do it big. It is for all level square dancers.

Robert & Pam Walker will be calling **Friday July 5th**. **A guest caller we be calling the August 2nd** dance at 8 p.m. Come **+PLUS+** with us. We hope to see you all there, because you make square dance just that much more fun! Thank you **ALL** for square dancing.

Phelica & Daniel

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Swinging Stars

We'll, with the passing of the Summer Solstice and arrival of the long days of summer, we hope you've managed to find some good shade and some cool sweet tea. But don't forget, there's lots of dancing to be had, both locally and within a short distance ride, (i.e., Decatur, Lawton and Vernon). We hope that you've been taking advantage of these opportunities.

On the other hand, if you've made plans to head off to the beaches or the mountains we definitely want to hear about it. Also for those who attended the State Festival and Nationals in Oklahoma City. Over 20 'Stars attended State at San Marcos and had a wonderful time. Tom & Yvonne, Cindy & Robert, Terry & Crystal & Stephen n Rosa square danced under the stars, in the swimming pool, at 11:30 pm and earning their "Rubber Ducky" dangles. Send us a line or an email and we'll pass your story along.

The 'Stars new officers have begun with some great plans for the Summer: July 16th - Birthday & Anniversary Dinner at Jason's Deli in Wichita Falls and on July 28th a Hamburger Picnic in Henrietta at the First Christian Church. Look for more fun events in the mail and/or email.

This report may seem to be filled with nothing but thank you's, but there are many fine deeds performed by the 'Stars, over the past couple of months, that need to be commended.

A special thanks again goes to Robert and Pam for their fine hospitality with the invitation to the 'Stars to their ranch for the club picnic last May. We all had a grand time indeed. There was a lot of fun and fine food and a grand old time. The Walkers have a little bit of heaven on earth, don't ya know. We are SOOOOOO lucky to have such fine folks as Robert and Pam as members in our club! A big thanks to Ken and Susan Jarosz for allowing the 'Stars the use of their property on Kemp for the Annual 'Stars Garage Sale. We had a lot of "good stuff" to be had and we had great attendance. Thanks to everyone's hard work.

Much work has been performed on the RRVA Dance Hall this summer and there are a few folks we'd like to commend. Some are our own but there are many others: Tommy Jo, Sandi Thomas, Jim Murphy, Will Bogart, Don & Audrey Bee, Tom & Yvonne Cleary, Stephen & Rosa San Miguel, Bob & Brenda Hardy, Leonard Lowrey, Bob Wilkinson, David Triester, John Scantlin, Norman Deason, Sandra Whatley, Jim & Chesta Owens. Thanks again for your help.

Again thank to Susan Jarosz for her continued work scheduling and planning the monthly Social Dinners celebrating member birthdays and anniversaries. We LOVE to eat, don't-you-know. The selection of the Bills Cat Fish (May) and El Gordos (June) were great choices. We would love to have more attend and wish a happy birthday or anniversary to everyone in their special month. If you have a special place you'd like to attend, be sure to give them a call and let them know. And last, but certainly not least, a special thanks to Rene Murphy for keeping the 'Stars periodically informed via her email messages. This continues to be the most valued method of providing info for this report. I hope others will be able to continue to provide this valued information.

Please keep these additional folks in your thoughts and prayers as they are dealing with serious problems: Pam Walker, Fred Mount, Yvonne Cleary (shoulder surgery), Pat Harmon and Charlotte Smith (their eyes). Also, the family of Billie Fairchild they have recently lost a family member and former dancer.

Although the immediacy of the tornadic events in the Oklahoma City and the surrounding areas have passed, however please keep them in your hearts and prayers as their tribulations will linger for months to come.

Hope you folks are having a Grand Summer. It's a great chance to get out and visit other clubs and make new friends.

Your Swinging Star Reporters,
Kim & Gail Peterson

Wichita Falls Solos

A big thank you to all of you that came out to our dances in May and June. I know the weather is warm but not as warm as we have seen this time of the year and the Lord has blessed us with some rain and not extreme storms like some have had. Dee always does a great job and it is good to see Janice able to come to the dances and dance some.

Over the past few months the Solos have gained some new members and we welcome them. They are Sue Bertlett, Raymond Hager, David Ivester, John Scantlin, Claudia Starr, and Sandi Thomas.

Quite a few dancers from RRVA made it to San Marcos to the State Festival and I know all had a good time. The shopping was also good. Many will be attending the National Square Dance Festival in Oklahoma City. I know they will have a great time there also.

Congratulations to Bob Wilkinson on his retirement. It was good to see him dancing at our June Dance.

I know many of you have been on vacation or going on vacation. Have a safe trip if you are traveling.

I just talked to Pam Walker and she is progressing well. She said the doctor said that she would be able to dance by August. We sure do miss her teaching us and leading the line dances.

Get well wishes to Pad Coad who broke her collar bone. Take it easy Pat and hope to see you dancing again soon. Pat Harmon is still recovering from her eye problem and we hope she will be able to dance soon.

Thank you all who came out to Texhoma Christian Care Center to entertain the residents June 20th. Thanks to Tim for calling for us. The residents always enjoy folks coming and performing for them.

Solos will have a get together at Martha Painter's on July 4th. Meat will be furnished and she will have a sign up sheet at our Potluck Supper July 2nd. It will start at 3 pm and we will play games. We will eat about 6 pm. This year the fireworks are downtown and they start at 9:30 pm. When they are at the base we have a ringside seat in Martha's backyard. This year if you want to leave early and go downtown you can.

Remember attire for the summer at our dances is cool and casual if you desire. The July dance will be picnic style with hot dogs, salads and watermelon. Our August will be our Luau dance so wear your Hawaiian shirts, blouses or MuMu's and come have a pulled pork on a bun and sliced fruit. Our dances will be July 20 and August 17 at 8 pm with Dee Roy calling. Our Potluck Suppers and Workshops are July 2nd and August 6th at 7 pm. Dee Roy will workshop both mainstream and plus. For just a \$3 donation you will have a great meal and work some of it off dancing.

I hope to dance with you in a square.

Wichita Wranglers

Happy summer everyone. This is a busy jam packed summer for all square dancers. Our members have been traveling, attending Mike Bramlett's induction into the Texas State Caller's Association Hall of Fame dance, the State Festival and the National Festival. What a great time to be a square dancer. We meet so many wonderful people and get to dance too.

I want to thank the out going officers for the Wranglers for their wonderful leadership this last year. Kudos to: President, Yreva Shirey / Vice President, Jimmy and Charlotte Smith / Treasurer, Darla and Danny Daily / Secretary, Susan Trotter.

Many thanks to our new officers who have agreed to serve for 2013 to 2014. We are looking forward to a great year. President: Sandra and Jerry Whatley / Vice President: Betty Jones / Treasurer: Walt and Marilyn Clements / Secretary: Susan Trotter

Our members have really been on the road lately for lots of reasons. Attending the State Festival in San Marcos were: Bob and Brenda Hardy, Wayne and Linda Salmon, Dosha, Robert, and Haley Steflik, Tom and Yvonne Cleary, and Lou and Tim Tanner. Several Wranglers will be attending the National Square Dance Convention in Oklahoma City the end of June. What a great opportunity to meet Square Dancers from all over the world.

On June 15th, Mike Bramlett was inducted into the Texas State Caller's Association Hall of Fame in Richardson and those Wrangler's attending were: The Clements, Stefliks, Hardys, Bees, Tanners, Tommy Jo Epley, Yreva Shirey, and Sandra Whatley. What a great honor for Mike and what a great dance. The Clements will be in Colorado with their two granddaughters this summer. Darla Daily is back from six week TDY and the Dailys spent some time in Florida visiting their Daughter and soaking up some sun. Tom and Yvonne Cleary were seen in New Orleans. Where will they turn up next? Yreva, Tommy Jo, and Jerry traveled to Niagra Falls, had a great time, and can tell you a little about flight delays. Sandra Whatley attended high school graduation for two of her granddaughters, Maci and Haley, and the college graduation of grandson Ryan.

Many thanks to all who cleaned the Hall. Your hard work is much appreciated and the Hall looks great.

Audrey Bee, Sandra Whatley, Yvonne Cleary, and Linda Salmon have been making Wrangler attire for our new Wrangler members. From what I hear, they have had a great time of fellowship and fun while sewing.

The Wranglers will be dancing on July 26th to begin the 2013-2014 Square Dance year. Refreshments will be fresh fruit and cookies.

No need to prepare evening meal on August 23rd. Come dance with the Wranglers and share a salad supper.

Our Prayers go out to all who have been sick. Continue to pray for Pam Walker, Patsy Jackson and Yvonne Cleary.

See you in a square.

Walt and Marilyn Clements

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Friday Afternoon	3:00 - 4:00	Travel In Dance - Informal
Friday Evening	7:00 - 8:00	Guest Callers Callerama - Separate Hall
	7:30 - 8:00	Pre-Rounds
Saturday Morning	8:00 - 10:30	"Get Acquainted Party Dance"
	9:00 - 10:30	Round Dance Workshop
Saturday Afternoon	10:30 - Noon	Square Dance Workshop
	1:30 - 3:00	Round Dance Workshop
Saturday Evening	3:00 - 4:00	Square Dance Workshop
	7:00 - 8:00	Guest Callers Callerama - Separate Hall
Saturday Evening	7:30 - 8:00	Pre-Rounds
	8:00 - 10:30	Square Dance Party
	10:45 - 12:00	After Party, Skits & Refreshments

**Advanced Registrations
\$40.00 per dancer (includes
dancing and after party show)**

**Advanced Registration must be
received by August 20, 2013**

At Door: \$45.00 per dancer

**NO PARTIAL DANCE
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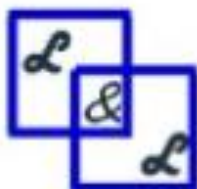
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President	Jim and Chesta Owens
1 st Vice President	Jerry and Tommy Jo Eapley
2 nd Vice President	Will and Anna Marie Bogart
Secretary	Tom and Yvonne Cleary
Treasurer	Robert Fenoglio

2013 - 2014 RRVA Appointed Officers

Assembler	Leonard Lowry
Chaplain	Jimmy & Charlotte Smith
Educational Director	Barbara Standley
Email News	
Facility Commission	Chair: Jim Murphy, co-chairs: Norman Deason, Bob Hardy
Historian/Scrapbook	Martha Painter & Barbara Standley
Insurance	Betty Jones
Newsletter	Michael & Barbara (Light) Martini
Parliamentarian	Jim & Judy McMillion
Publicity	
Special Dance Coordinator	Eddie & Sondra Dunn
Telephone	Betty Hansard & Cindy Day
Texas Star Reporter	Winnie Robertson
Ways & Means	Walt & Marilyn Clements
Webmaster/Photographer	Stephen & Rosa San Miguel
Yearbook	Jerry & Sandra Whatley

RRVA and State Federation Delegates

RRVA Past President Delegates and Alternate Delegate	Ina Roark, Betty Jones, & Jim and July McMillion
State Federation Delegates	Jim & Chesta Owens

50th RRVA Anniversary Committee

Co-Chairs	Ina Roark & Chesta Owens
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