

RRVA News

Red River Valley Square and Round Dance Association

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January – February

2014



Special Dance Schedule

Square Dance Land

812 Travis, Wichita Falls, TX

DATE	CLUB	PLACE	CALLER
Jan 9	Lessons begin	SDL 7:30	Dee Roy
Feb 7	Levi & Lace Anniversary Dance	SDL	Robert Walker
Feb 20	Student Half-Way Dance	SDL 7:30	Dee Roy



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January

Birthdays

Pat Harmon

Janie Connors

Cindy Day

Wayne Jackson

James Ingram

Betty Hansard

Stephen San Miguel

Judy McMillion

Wanda Mount

DB Patillo

John Conklin

Janice Roy

ANNIVERSARIES

Chuck & Mo Forester

Mike & D' Bramlett

Dee & Janice Roy

Greg & Sherry Ward



February

Birthdays

Birthdays

Susan Trotter

Mary Childs

Fay Lewis

Don Hester

Earlene Pebworth

Michael Martini

Genny Frerich

Vallee Graves

Pam Walker

Randy San Miguel

Yvonne Cleary

Andy Frerich

Jim Humphrey

Gail Peterson

Anniversaries

Don & Audrey Bee

Mirl & Winnie Robertson

Randy & Lisa San Miguel

John & Marge Conklin

David & Maggie Sewell

Terry & Patricia Kirkland

Max & Helen Yancey



From the Desk of the Presidents

As we anticipate all the happenings of 2014 an old verse comes to mind. As a young girl in Campfire, we sung the verse anytime a new member joined. Some of you may be familiar with it.

“Make new friends but keep the old,

One is silver and the other’s gold.”

Hopefully, this year will see an increase in new dancers taking lessons and joining our clubs. Each one will be a new friend to include in our square dance family. It is our hope that those who took lessons in the fall will join a club and become one of our “silver” friends.

This year we pray that our “gold” friends who are ill, will be healed and return to join us in our square dancing activities. We pray that all friends see good health both mentally and physically throughout 2014.

RRVA dancing activities begin New Year’s Eve with the first dance of the year at 12:01 am on New Year’s Day 2014. Danny Payne will help us enjoy the evening. Next, we can dance to Jimmy Gouge on May 3. This is our Pioneer Dinner & Dance/New Officer Installation Dance. Then, on August 30, we get to dance with our friends to Paul Kinsey. Our traditional Halloween dance with costumes will be October 31. We will dance to our wonderful RRVA callers, Robert Walker and Dee Roy. Of course, New Year’s Eve would not be the same without a dance. We will bring in 2015 with Bobby Willis and cornbread/black eyed peas. Between all our club dances and our RRVA dances, we can find numerous evenings to dance.

There are two state meetings before the state festival. One is January 10, 11, 12 in Waco, Texas. 2014-15 state officers will be nominated. Then, February 28, March 1 and 2 will be the Conclave in Katy, TX. We hope that many from RRVA attend this state meet. It is the one where we may be awarded the 2017 state festival bid. We will know before then and will let everyone know for sure so plans can be made for a substantial turn out.

“Gold and Silver” friends, we will see you at many dances throughout 2014. We look forward to all of us making ‘silver” friends who will eventually become our “gold” friends.

Happy New Year

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

Jim and Chesta Owens

Levis & Lace

A Happy New Year of 2014 and **Happy Valentine's Day** to all square dance friends. We know this will be a wonderfully fun year of squares and friends and we look forward to it.

We were glad to see you at our November dance where Skip Gates called. It is such a wonderful opportunity to dance to guest callers where you get exposure to different calling which can help your square dance skills. You don't even have to leave town, they come to you! The guest callers provide a wonderfully different dance for us all. This is something we should all jump at to attend, not only to support the club but to support the caller. I know I personally like to dance with a lot of people/squares and I would think a caller likes to call to a lot of people/squares. We have several opportunities such as this throughout the year. We all should make a point to support them.

Mother Nature zapped her fingers for snow and ice and our December dance/Christmas party was cancelled. We had a reschedule of the Christmas party on short notice thanks to Audrey & Don where we were offered their home and a merge with the Wranglers Christmas party. Now this was a party! I have never seen such a huge ham with all the fixings. Everyone came toting a delightful dish. Everything was extremely delicious. It was one of the best buffets I had ever taken in! The ambiance of the home glowed with Christmas cheer all around. It certainly put one in the Christmas spirit. We had a little of Dirty Ol' Santa there. Who knew Christmas ornaments could be stolen so many times with the Wranglers. The Levi's & Lace put a new meaning to being such bright square dancers. I lost count of how many flash lights were gifted! We followed all that with games thanks to Darla and Audrey. They tested our Christmas tune knowledge followed by mittens and panty hose games. Um, I think there are pictures of that floating around. Everyone was good sports and you all made it so much fun. Thank you to all attending and to Audrey & Don for their lovely home and tremendous amount of hard work. I, for one, did not let anything go unnoticed! From the beautiful Christmas cards to the selection of olives! It was very much enjoyed. If you didn't make it you were missed and I guarantee you missed a grand time!

Congrats and a high 5 go out to Becca daughter of Tim & Lou on her graduation! Several of our members are still having health issues, let's remember them. Give them a call or write a note and let them know you are thinking of them. We hope to see you all square dancing very soon.

Snack venue for January 3rd pies (left up to one's own interpretation).

Levi's & Lace members cordially invite you to attend our 36th anniversary dance being held February 7. Come dance with us for some fun, cake and punch. We love visitors ☺

Our talented, great caller **Robert & Pam Walker will be calling Friday's January 3 and February 7, 2014**, dance at 8 p.m. Come **+PLUS+** dance 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 Scott vaporlocked2001@yahoo.com

Swinging Stars

First off, we hope you folks had a fine Christmas Holiday this past year. Notwithstanding a few icy days, we also hope you were able to get out, see the colorful decorations and pretty lights, enjoy the festive season, and celebrate the event (at) the church of your choice. This makes for an excellent start for (a) great New Year.

We'd like to congratulate all of the New Dancers who completed the Fall square dance lessons with area clubs. As always, they will find a most heartfelt welcome at any of the Swinging Stars dances, as all Couples, Singles and Young Dancers are welcome. Also, the RRVA has had some great out of area callers this past Fall, Skip Gates, Jerry Stover to mention a few. Be sure to attend as many of these types of dances in the future as it's always fun to dance to new voices, tempos and tones.

Last Falls in November the Swinging Stars danced the pre-Thanksgiving dance and post-Christmas "Absolutely-No-Turkey ", were a lot of fun.. The festive colors and pretty dresses were most elegant. Thank you ladies, and also the fellows, for pitching in to help and participating in the "Swinging Stars ""Can/Food Drive", which going on till the last dance in January.

Also, thanks to Tom & Yvonne Cleary and Stephen & Rosa San Miguel who decorated for the Swinging Stars Christmas party (and the Hall for Christmas.) The food was great, the caroling eloquent and fellowship grand indeed. The Christmas gift exchange was especially exciting and presented in a new way for many of us. Thank you, Ina! Additionally thank you to all who added the additional tree and Santa Caps to all the Silhouettes around the hall walls.

We're looking forward to all of the upcoming 2014 dances. All of the Stars' dances are regularly held on 2nd and 4th Saturdays at the Square Dance Land Hall on Travis in downtown Wichita Falls. Of particular mention, from our upcoming dances, are on January 11th and 25th. And our Early Valentine's Day dance on February 8th and then our dance on the 28th, all dancers are welcomed.

Thanks again to Stephen & Rosa for scheduling some great B-Day and Anniversary dinners during the past year. Although interrupted by the late year holidays, they are certain to be renewed in the New Year as the Swinging Stars with meet to eat at the drop of a hat, don't-ya-know. Again, if you have a special place you'd like to include in the feasting, please give Stephen & Rosa a holler as they're always looking for good places to drive, dine and get rowdy. (grin).

A special thanks to Jim & Lee Humphries for their fine work in keeping the Swinging Stars in-the-know with their monthly activity schedule, with apologies to an old credit card jingle, "We couldn't keep up with it all without it!"

A gentle reminder for the Swinging Stars members is that Spring dues are payable at first dance in January. Also, as before, if any of the membership wants a printed copy of monthly RRVA newsletter there will be additional \$13 charge on top of our dues. As always, FREE copies of the newsletter will be available on the Internet at the RRVA website (www.rrvsda.org), which can be downloaded and printed from your home computer. I'd like to take a moment to commend Michael and Barbara Martini on the fine work they perform with the newsletter and Stephen and Rosa San Miguel for keeping it posted on the website.

There are some special folks that, due to health problems, we need to keep in our thoughts and prayers: Ann Jackson, R G Holland (Santa), Pat Harmon, Anthony San Miguel - the oldest of Randy's sons and Randy San Miguel, Anna Marie Bogart, and Marilyn Clements, additionally prayers for all who have lost members of their family over the last year.

Our best wishes to you in the upcoming 2014 New Year. Also, hope to see you folks at one of our upcoming dances.

Your Swinging Star Reporters,
Kim & Gail Peterson

Wichita Falls Solos

A very Happy New Year to all of our square dance friends. We appreciate all of you supporting us this last year. We will need your help again coming as angels to our lessons which will start January 9 at 7:30 pm with Dee Roy teaching. We invite all dancers to take part if you can.

The Half Way Dance will be February 7 weather permitting.

A big thank you to Dee & Janice for the fish and for Eddie and Sondra for hosting our annual fish fry. The fish was great and we all enjoyed it.

Our Christmas party was a great success and again we thank Eddie and Sondra for being the perfect hosts. There were about 34 there and we collected 79 pounds of food for Interfaith Ministries. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves including their dog Lady.

We welcome all of the new dancers that graduated December 16 and hope you will visit all of the clubs and get lots of practice. That is the way you really learn.

Please join us for our dances January 18 and February 15 at 8 pm with Dee Roy Calling. The Pot Luck Supper and Workshops will be January 7 and February 4 at 7 pm. Bring a covered dish with food in it. A donation of \$3 will get you a great meal and some exercise to work it off. We encourage all dancers to come and especially the new graduate dancers.

Barbara Standley

Wichita Wranglers

Happy New Year everyone. I wish everyone a great year of fellowship, fun, friends. I am so grateful that I can fulfill all three by doing what I love to do -- Square Dancing! What a wonderful group of dancers we have. Solos, Stars, Wranglers and Levis and Lace.

Our Prayers go out to all who have been sick recently. Especially Randy San Miguel and his son. Also our sweet Anne Marie is still valiantly battling an infection. We miss you both.

A great big thank you to our Presidents Jerry and Sandra for their leadership this year. Also thanks to Betty Jones for being willing to help when Walt and I have been out of town. She also organized the refreshments for the year. Thanks to Bob and Brenda Hardy for being delegates and to Carroll and Susan Trotter for being our Secretary. Last but not least is our wonderful caller Mike Bramlett for making each dance he calls fun.

By now we have finished all the goodies we have been enjoying during the holidays and it is time to get moving!!

See you all in a Square soon!!

Walt and Marilyn

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At 7:30 PM at
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First Lesson Free.***

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January 2014



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 Levi & Lace Plus Dance Robert Walker 8:00	4
5	6	7 Solos Pot Luck with workshop 7:00	8	9 Lessons start 7:30 (1)	10 State Meeting Fri., Sat. & Sunday Waco, TX	11 Swinging Stars Robert Walker 8:00
12	13	14	15	16 Lessons 7:30 (2)	17	18 Solos Dee Roy 8:00
19 RRVA Quarterly Meeting @ 2:00 SDL	20	21	22	23 Lessons 7:30 (3)	24 Wranglers Plus Workshop 7:30 Dance 8:00 Mike Bramlett	25 Swinging Stars Robert Walker 8:00
26	27	28	29	30 Lessons 7:30 (4)	31	



February 2014



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2	3	4 Solos Pot Luck with workshop 7:00	5	6 Lessons 7:30 (5)	7 Levi & Lace-Anniversary Dance 8:00 Mainstream Robert Walker	8 Swinging Stars Robert Walker 8:00
9	10	11	12	13 Lessons 7:30 (6)	14	15 Solos Dee Roy 8:00
16	17	18	19	20 Student Half-Way Dance 7:30 (7)	21	22 Swinging Stars Robert Walker 8:00
23	24	25	26	27 Lessons 7:30 (8)	28 Wranglers Plus Workshop 7:30 dance 8:00 Mike Bramlett	