

RRVA News

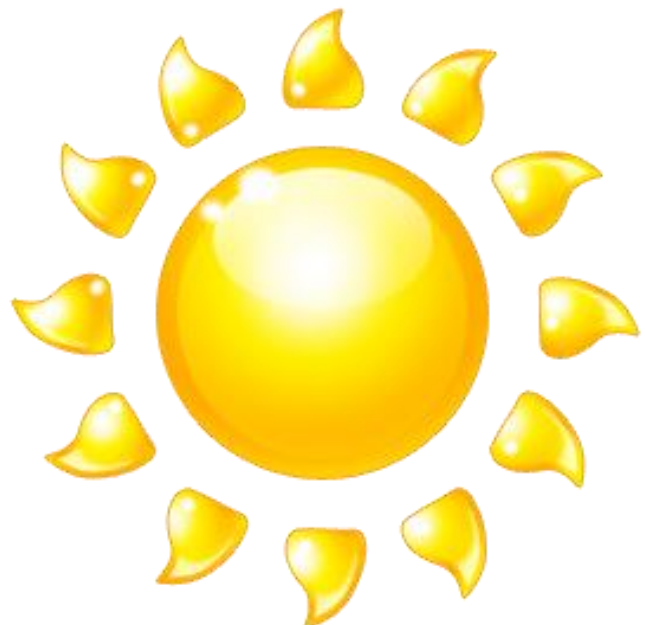
Red River Valley Square and Round Dance Association

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July – August

2014



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

Chuck 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

David Iverson

Sandi Thomas

Robert & Pam Walker

From the Desk of the Presidents

New Square Dance Year has begun!

Are you ready for the new 2014-2015 Year for Red River Valley Square and Round Dance season to begin? We certainly are! In fact many of us got a jump on the chance to dance with friends from across the state of Texas in Tyler at the Texas State Federation of Square and Round Dance during the weekend of June 12-14. Then many of us traveled to Little Rock, Arkansas at the end of June to dance at the 63rd National Square Dance Convention and to spend time with friends from across the United States and other places around the world. I won't name all of those who attended the two gatherings, but all of our clubs were represented well. We are so pleased that each of you are supportive of the local clubs as well as the State and National Square Dance organizations. They also do a super job of supporting the local clubs as well.

As we look forward to the new year, we still have a lot of planning to do and recruiting of appointed officers. If we should ask you to serve as an appointed officer, we hope that you will be as willing as you always have been. Because RRVA is a small district, it will take all of us to make this coming year a great success. You have elected an excellent group of officers to serve.

Betty Jones and Ina Roark are first vice presidents; Tom and Yvonne Cleary are second vice presidents. Betty Hansard is secretary, and Winnie Kajs-Robertson will be the treasurer.

We wish to express our appreciation to Jim and Chesta Owens for their years of service as Presidents for the last two years. They have done an excellent job leading RRVA. We know they are probably ready for a break, but they are taking the reins of presidents for Swinging Stars. Be sure to thank Jim and Chesta when you see them in a square.

By the way, we hope to see each of you in a square at any and all of the clubs monthly dances. We know this is not possible for all of us because life gets in the way. However, the clubs invite you for all their dances and need your support to survive. Be sure to check the calendar for scheduled RRVA dances beginning in the fall.

Yellow Rocks to all,
Love,
Wayne and Linda Salmon
2014-2015 RRVA
Presidents

Levis & Lace

Welcome to a new year of Square dancing with the Levis and Lace Plus Club! Officers for the fiscal year 2014-15 beginning July 1 are: President – Glenda Wadley, Vice-President – Phelica and Daniel Scott, Secretary – Betty Hansard, Treasurer – Audrey and Don Bee, and Reporter – Sandra Whatley.

For our May, July and August dances the Levis and Lace are dancing on the 2nd Saturday this year. Our next dance will be July 12th with our own delightful Robert and Pam Walker. Danny Payne from Oklahoma City will be our guest caller on Saturday August 9. Both dances begin at 8:00 p.m.

New members from our recent plus workshop are Brenda and Bob Hardy... we welcome you most heartily!!! Others completing the workshop were Stephen and Rosa San Miguel, Yvonne and Tom Cleary, Sandy and John Scantlin, Cindy Day, Robert Fenoglio and Rebecca Tanner.

Levis & Lace members attending the State Festival in Tyler:

Glenda Wadley, Tom and Yvonne Cleary, Brenda and Bob Hardy, Daniel and Phelica Scott, Jim and Chesta Owens, Tim, Lou and Becca Tanner, and Wayne and Linda Salmon.

Levis & Lace members planning to attend the National Festival in Little Rock:

Don and Audrey Bee, Brenda and Bob Hardy, Tommy Jo and Jerry Epley, Steve and Sandy Abeyta, Tom and Yvonne Cleary, and Wayne and Linda Salmon (and others I may not know about)

What we've been told:

Wayne and Linda Salmon will be traveling to Virginia in August to celebrate Wayne's and his sister's birthdays. Tom and Yvonne Cleary will be taking a Baltic Sea cruise with Norwegian Cruise Lines in July. Bob and Brenda Hardy will be spending time at their Red River, N.M. cabin both with and without grandchildren during July and August. Audrey and Don Bee will be traveling to Kansas City to see their grandchildren and Audrey will be starting a new Beginner Quilt Class. Sandra Whatley vacationed at South Padre Island with family members during June and will be taking a Viking River Cruise on the Danube River from Budapest to Vienna during July. Walt and Marilyn Clements will be spending time in cool Colorado during July and August. Jerry and Sandra Whatley and Walt and Marilyn Clements will be dancing in Paris on the 28th and 29th of August.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Mary and John Carson in the recent passing of Mary's brother, Alvin Graf; also to Anna Marie and Will Bogart in her continued battle with the effects of diabetes and infection of her foot; to Anthony San Miguel and his family after his last surgery; and to Richard and Louise Morton as they contend with his disability.

Till we meet you in a Square,
Sandra and Jerry Whatley



Swinging Stars

The Swinging Stars had a pot-luck social at the hall on Thursday evening, June 19th. We visited, ate, celebrated birthdays and anniversaries, and then, conducted a business meeting. Plans have been made for the upcoming year which we and the club are excited to put in place. More details will come later. However, one date that all need to put on their calendar now is our social on Thursday, September 4th. It will be a pot luck dinner. We are telephoning those who signed up earlier in the year indication they are interested in lessons and inviting them to the pot luck to excite them about the lessons. Robert Walker will get them on the floor and give them a taste of the fun activity of square dancing.

About 30 dancers were at the 2014 State Festival in Tyler. We not only danced during the day and evening but we also, with Tim and Lou Tanner's helped, danced for special dangles. We danced in the IHOP parking lot for an "IHOP" dangle, "Cement Stomper" dangle, danced in the dark with glow bands on our wrists for a "Glow-worm" dangle, and danced on the asphalt parking lot at the convention center for the "Asphalt Stomper" dangle. We had lots and lots of fun.

Tim Tanner is giving workshops on the third Tuesday evenings of each month at the hall giving him the opportunity to practice his calling. To help Tim and Lou pay for the hall rental, the dancers are requested to give a donation. Each night anything over the cost that is collected is donated to the Scholarship fund. He has already had one in May and June. They were very successful. He had three to four squares to practice with. Lots of laugh as he messes up and as the dancers mess up which messes him up. Lou brought balloons and we tied them around our ankles and danced for the "Balloon" dangle. Pictures have been posted on the website (www.rvvsda.org). Tim is a good caller and experience will make him even better. These workshops will continue as long as Tim feels the need to do so.

A Swinging Stars out of town visitation is planned for Friday, July 18th to go to Vernon for their "Christmas in July" dance. Those who want to carpool and/or caravan will be meeting in the Atwoods parking lot on 287 at 6:30 p.m.

Please keep all of our square dancers in your prayers that are going thru life struggling times that they may recover soon and once again join us in our fellowship of dancing.

We (Rosa and I) would like to take this time to say "Thank You" to all of you who have allowed us to serve as your Presidents this last year. It has been a busy year and we hope that you had as much fun as we did serving you and dancing with all of You!



To the Swinging Stars and fellow RRVSDA dancers.

Gail & I would like to take a moment to thank all the friends and dancers for their past thoughts and prayers. They have greatly helped Gail through the past three years with her the diagnoses and treatments of Uterine Cancer. We surely do not know the road planned by the good Lord, but will definitely continue to follow his footsteps.

Thanks again for everything...
Kim & Gail Peterson

Wichita Falls Solos

Hello to all of you square dancers. Summer is here and thankfully we haven't had a lot of real hot weather and we have had some rain. We really appreciate all of you for supporting our Potluck Suppers and Workshops and Dances. We could not do it without our visitors.

The Solos new officers are President James Ingram, Vice President Sondra Dunn, Secretary John & Sandi Thomas, Treasurer Bob & Polly Wilkinson, RRVA Delegate Leonard Lowry and RRVA alternate Delegate Pat Harmon. Thank you to all of you that served and those about to serve.

There was a great turn out to the State Festival. Every time I turned around I saw someone from RRVA. The dancing was a lot of fun and if you missed it you missed a good time. Make plans to go next year. Dee Roy, Mike & D' Bramlett, and Tim Tanner called. They did a great job.

Several singles are making a trip to Portland, Oregon to attend the 44th National Singles Dance-A-Rams August 29- 31. You do not have to be single to attend and it will be a lot of fun. There are tours available to Mt St Helens and Columbia River Gorge as well as others. If you are interested there are flyers available at the Hall or contact Leonard or Barbara.

We welcome new members to our club: Judy and Brad Whitaker. We are happy to have you join us. We will enjoy dancing with them.

It is time for our celebration at Martha Painter's home for the 4th of July. We will meet at 5pm for games and lots of eats. Bring your lawn chairs and about 9:30 pm we will go to the back of Martha's property to watch the fireworks display at Sheppard. It has been awhile since they have had Freedom Feast at the base but according to the news it is on for this year.

Please join us for our Potluck Supper and Workshop at 7 pm July 1 and August 5. Just for a \$3 donation per person you will enjoy a great meal and Dee Roy will workshop mainstream and plus. Our dances will be July 19 & August 16 at 8 pm. Hope to see you there. Remember these dance will be cool and casual if you desire. Wear what you like but just have clothes on!!

Continue to remember those in your prayers that are ill especially Anna Marie Bogart, Jim Gray, Pat Harmon and Ernestine Brock. Pray for Randy and Lisa San Miguel's son Anthony whose cancer has come back. Our sympathy goes out to Mary Carson on the death of her brother. I hope I did not leave anyone out.

See you in a square. Barbara Standley

Wranglers

Hi, it's me, Tommy Jo! Well, summertime, and the living is HOT!!!! All of you who were moaning about the cold weather, I hope you're happy! I AM glad that school's out.

So, several of us have lots of traveling plans for this summer. Sandra Whatley is going to South Padre Island in June. She has a trip planned with an ex-square dancer, Barbara Moser, to Budapest, Hungary, in July. She and Jerry are to try to go to the **Evening in Paris in Paris, Texas, August 29th and 30th**. Walt and Marilyn are planning a trip back to Florida, and Tom and Yvonne are going on a cruise. Jerry and I are going to Nationals, along with many Wranglers, I hope in June. I'm also hoping to take a side trip to Graceland. In July, my grandgirls will be here for two weeks and we are going to San Francisco with our son. In August, to Ruidoso with my class of 1968.

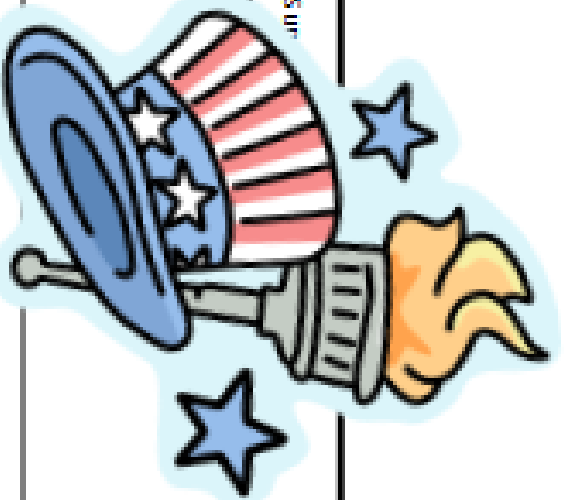
Anna Marie is doing so good she was able to attend a square dance! It was so good seeing her wheeling around on her scooter. We want to continue to pray for her. Also we continue to send prayers up for Jim Gray, Gail Peterson, Yreva Shirey. We were sorry to hear of Mary and John's loss of their brother/brother-in-law. To all of our fellow square dancers and their families who I haven't mentioned by name or don't know about who might be suffering a sickness or loss our prayers are with you as well.

Randy and Lisa's son, Anthony, needs your prayers, too. His cancer returned. The surgeons were able to remove 90 percent of the tumor and it is the same tumor, not a new one so that was better news. Please remember all these people.

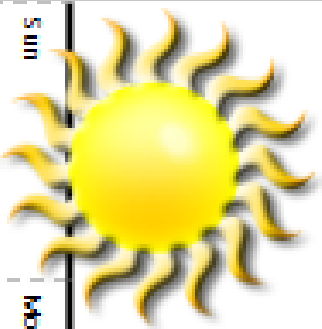
We want to send best wishes to all of you celebrating, birthdays, anniversaries, additions to your family (grandchildren and in-laws!)

Appreciate your attention. Have a wonderful summer and STAY COOL!!

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Sun	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Solos Pot Luck 7:00	2	3	4	5
6	8	9	10	11	12 Lewis & Lace Robert Walker
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13	14 Tim Tanner Caller Practice 7:30 pm	16	17	18	
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August 2014

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17	18	19 Tim Tanner Caller Practice 7:30 pm	20	21	22 Wrangler Dance	23
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