

RRVA News

Red River Valley Square and Round Dance Association

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May – June 2015



Special Dance Schedule

Square Dance Land

812 Travis, Wichita Falls, TX

DATE	CLUB	PLACE	CALLER
May 2	RRVA Pioneer Fund Raiser	SDL 8:00	K.O.Jeanes
May 23	Wrangler's Bramlettpalooza	SDL 6:30	
June 4-6	State Festival	Waco	



May

Birthdays

Judy Whittaker	Les Edgar	Gene Moore	Tommy Jo Epley	Tom Cleary
Terry Beaver	Brenda Beaver	Stephanie Ross	Chesta Owens	Anne Dawes

Anniversaries

Earl & Ernestine Brock	Jim & Carol Hansard	Daniel & Phelicia Scott
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June

Birthdays

Robert Wilkinson	Lee Humphrey	Peggy Edgars	Charlotte Smith	D' Bramlett
Chuck Forester	Kevin Connors	Jim McMillion	June Lemmon	Terry Kirkland

Anniversaries

Jim & Rene Murphy	Walt & Marilyn Clements	Carroll & Susan Trotter
Robert & Lynne Shinpaugh	Peyton & Jeanette Ramey	Less & Peggy Edgars

From the Desk of the Presidents

May- June 2015

Well, now that our cold weather has passed, looks like Spring has sprung. Some days are warm and then we have a few cool days thrown in. Guess this is just to gently remind us that summer and hotter weather is coming.

We have a great couple of months. Levis and Lace has continued with their workshops with a good attendance. It looks like we will have a great group of Plus dancers as the year progresses. Even many of our experienced plus dancers have been brushing up on the different calls. Maybe someday I will get that “Spin Chain and Exchange the Gears” and “Spin Chain the Gears”. But until then and beyond, I will be there each time still practicing and getting help from the caller.

At the end of January, we had the RRVA Teen Scholarship Dance. RRVA was privileged to donate \$1900 to the TSFRD Teen Scholarship Fund. Now we just need to recruit some teens locally to participate in the awarding of monies.

Mark your calendar for our annual **Pioneer Dinner/Dance** with K.O. Jeans as the caller, on May 2. You will be hearing more about this from your club as they now have the tickets for the event. Baskets will be donated by each club for a silent auction. Be sure to sell meal tickets to your friends and family as this is our major fund raiser for the year.

RRVA officers for 2015-2016 will be installed at the Solos dance in June. We would like for this to be a visitation for all the clubs to show their support. Swinging Stars do not dance in the summer, but we always look forward to seeing them in a square with their new dancers. Remember we need to dance often so we don't get rusty on all those calls.

Be sure to check the RRVA website calendar each month and if you hear of a change be sure to let your friends know.

Looking forward to seeing YOU in a square!

Yellow Rocks to all.

Wayne and Linda Salmon



RRVA PIONEER BBQ DINNER

\$6.00 A PERSON

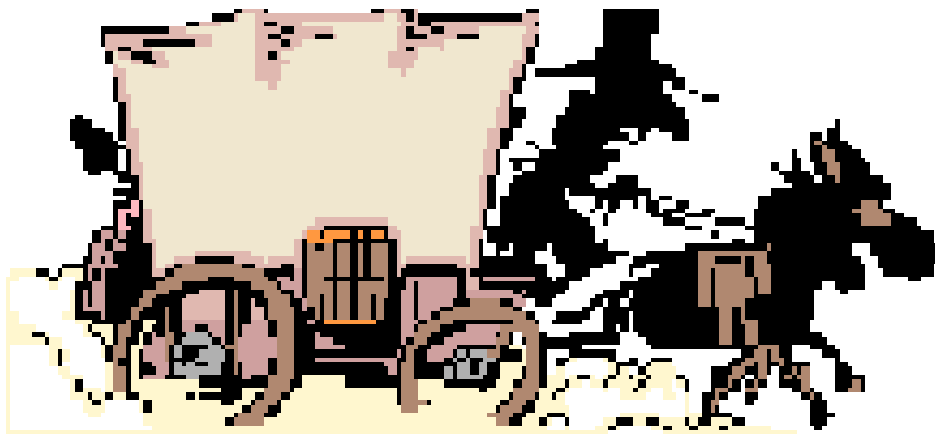
Saturday, MAY 2, 2015

At 6:30

Dance at 8:00 PM

\$6.00 with dinner ticket

Just the dance \$8.00



Levis & Lace



Everyone please keep praying for rain! The recent showers have been wonderful and have the landscapes looking great for now, but we would be so thankful to have more in the watershed!

The following is a note from our president, Glenda Wadley:

When you read this letter we will have completed the “Plus Workshop”, elected and installed new officers for 2015-16 and danced our last dance of the 2014-15 fiscal year (May 1). New officers are: President – Glenda Wadley, Vice President – Charlotte and Jimmy Smith, Treasurer – Walt and Marilyn Clements, Secretary – Barbara Standley. I want to say a great big thank-you to the out-going officers – V.P Phelica and Daniel Scott, Treas. Don and Audrey Bee and Secretary Betty Hansard.

We are canceling our June, 2015 dance because of the Texas State Festival and the July, 2015 dance because it falls the Friday before July 4. God bless you, have a great summer and be careful.

What I’ve been told:

Those with big plans for the summer are the Bees and Epleys who’ll be taking a Mediterranean Cruise which will include stops in Barcelona, Spain; Province, France; Florence, Italy; Athens, Greece; Turkey and Istanbul. On the way home the Bees will stop over in New York for a granddaughter’s high school graduation.

Walt and Marilyn Clements are vacationing in Alaska and taking a train trip through the Canadian Rockies.

Sandra Whatley will be flying to Hollywood for a “Westlake Family Reunion” and attending the graduation of her youngest granddaughter, Paige Bumstead, from Henderson, TX High School.

Congratulations to Sandi and John Scantlin who graduated plus lessons for the first time. The rest of us just keep working on it! Some of the ladies also worked hard at learning the gentlemen’s part. Next year (Fall of 2015) the Levis and Lace will have our workshop in November and December. So, put it on your calendars so we can all become more proficient! Even though our June and July dances are cancelled, the Solos, the Wichita Wranglers and the Vernon Travelers, as well as several Lawton Clubs will provide ample opportunity to dance.

Just keep Dancin'

Sandra and Jerry Whatley



Swinging Stars

We hope you had the good fortune to enjoy some of the glorious moisture we received in the Early Spring. Also, hope you've managed to be missed by any passing thunder boomers. They are particularly nasty during this time of year.

Before everyone rushes off on our Summer break, we'd like to take a moment to thank the current slate of officers who have helped with the 'Stars throughout the past dance year: President: Jim & Chesta Owens, 1st VP: Tom & Yvonne Cleary; 2nd VP: Robert Fenoglio, Treasures: Jim & Judy McMillion and Secretary: Terry & Eleanor McCurrin. Great work indeed. In addition, I'd like to AGAIN thank them for stepping forward a second time (or at least did not step backward...grin) to serve as officers of the Stars for the upcoming 2015-2016 fiscal year. Thaaaaank Youuuu!

We heard that many folks ventured out of the area for some fun dancing, up across the Red" in Lawton and toward the Metro-Plex (Woweka, OK) with the "fun-bunch" from Decatur. We also hope you had a chance to join in on the fun of recent, 2nd and 4th Saturday 'Stars dances: the verdant "St Paddy's Day Dance" a festive "Tax\$ Day Dance" and the "Getty-up Pony Dance. Although our "official" club dance season goes from September thru April, fear not as Chesta and Jim have lined up more events with which to participate. Be sure to bend-an-ear for future 'Stars events. A big one coming up is our barbeque social at Robert and Pam Walker's ranch. We always have a wonderful time with lots of laughter and good food.

As always, Chesta & Jim did a great job for scheduling our recent 'Stars social dinners for B-Day's and Anniversaries. Parkway Grill North and Carlitos Mexican Restaurant in Burk, were very good choices. They are always looking for new places to go to so pass along Your Favorite spot or know of a new place in town we haven't tried yet, and give them a holler.

Another big thanks goes to all of the folks that helped Chesta & Jim entice and gather names for future New Dancers at the Henrietta Turkey Fest and Wicked Weather events. Continued growth is the lifeblood of our favorite avocation.

There are some special folks that, due to health problems, we need to keep in our thoughts and prayers: Jim Murphy, Les Edgar, Brenda Beaver, Yvonne Cleary, Fred Mount, Tim and Tammy Schiewe's mother, and Susan Trotter's Mother, Adelle. Also, keep the following Rowel family in your prayers as they have lost a member close to their hearts, the C.W. Rowell.

Wally & Margaret Waller need our continued support as they find peace with their family situation. They are so loved and we want them to know it.

Again, you folks have the good fortune of taking advantage of our many upcoming events and visitations that Jim & Chesta are planning for us this coming Summer. As before, for those of you who will be venturing out of the area into the mountains or the coastlines, send us a line or two to let us know what it's like not to have to sweat out in the Summer heat.

Hope you have a GREAT Summer.

Your Swinging Star Reporter,

Kim Peterson



Wichita Falls Solos

It is not November but the Solos have a lot to be thankful for. We graduated seven dancers and we are thankful for all of the angels that helped with lesson and Dee Roy and Tim Tanner that taught the lessons. The Dunns supplied the cake and Sandi Scantlin made her amazing graduation cookies. In case you haven't heard the \$100 bill was won by Fred Krautz and sold by Betty Hansard. Thanks to all who bought tickets, sold tickets and donated the \$100 and the tickets. Continuing our thanks we thank Skip Gates for calling a great dance at our 38th Anniversary. The refreshments were soo goood! There are to many to mention that brought them but I have to thank Robert Fenoglio for a big pot of fried chicken he fried himself. Who does that anymore?? We do appreciate all of you that visit our dances. At our Anniversary dance we had visitors from RRVA Officers, Levi & lace, Swinging Stars and Wichita Wranglers.

There is still more to be thankful for. As many of you know we had a scare recently that Janice Roy's cancer might be back. After many tests and doctor visits they have concluded that it is probably not anything to be concerned about and they will follow up with more tests later. Continue your prayers for Janice & Dee.

The Solos welcome a new member Norma Bolin. We are so pleased that she has joined us.

The Solos will continue to dance this summer. Our June, July and August dances will be cool and casual. Dee Roy will be calling. We will dance May16. June 20 at 8 pm. Our Potluck Suppers and Workshops will be May 5 and June 2 at 7 pm, Just for \$3 you will have a great meal and get to dance it off. For our May dance all club members try to be there and wear your black, white and silver club outfits so we can get a club picture.

The Solos will have a garage sale on May 9 at Michael and Barbara Martini's home so be getting your items together and priced to sale.

Hope to dance with you soon.

Barbara Standley

Wranglers

Hi, it's me, Tommy Jo! Hope everyone is enjoying this wonderful weather and so happy for what rain we're getting. Let's remember to say "thanks" for what we've really been praying for!

We want to thank all of you who supported our benefit dance for the San Miguels and the Bogarts. You came through for us as always and we were able to present them with a generous check.

It's nice to see Anna Marie back on the dance floor and we want to continue our prayers for Anthony in this difficult time. His spirits are high as always.

The Bramlettpalooza is coming up May 23rd. Mark your calendars!! It will be a great time with the Bramletts calling and the usual cornbread and beans dinner. We will have a silent auction and desserts during the dance. The festivities start at 7:00 and go until 10:30. Hope to see you there!

We want to send our prayers out to Mike Bramlett and Susan Trotter. They both lost their mothers. Our prayers go out to any who are grieving or suffering with an illness.

Hope those of you who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries have a wonderful time and, congratulations!

Let's dance!



May 2015



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Levi & Lace Dance Robert Walker 8:00	2 RRVA Pioneer Dinner & Dance 6:30/8:00 K.O. Jeanes
3	4	5 Solos Pot Luck With Workshop 7:00	6	7	8	9
10 Mother's Day	11	12	13	14	15	16 Solo's Dance Dee Roy 8:00
17	18	19 Tim Tanner Caller Workshop 7:30-9:30 pm	20	21	22	23 Wranglers Bramlett Palooza Plus WS @ 7:30 Mainstream @ 8:00
24 31	25 Memorial Day	26	27	28	29	30



June 2015



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Solos Pot Luck With Workshop 7:00	3	4 TX State Waco	5 TX State Waco	6 TX State Waco
7 TX State Waco	8	9	10	11	12	13 Make-up Swinging Stars Dance Robert Walker 8:00
14	15	16 Tim Tanner Caller Workshop 7:30-9:30 pm	17	18	19	20 Solo's Dance Dee Roy 8:00 <i>Casual</i>
21 Father's Day	22	23	24	25	26 Wranglers Plus @ 7:30 Mainstream @ 8:00 Mike Bramlett	27
28	29	30				

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Also from:

Lise Waring
TSFSRD Panels

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Panels at the State Festival

By Lise Waring, Panels Vice-Chair

There will be two panels this year at the State Festival. The Panels will be held in Texas Room #116, from 10:00 AM to 10:45 AM and from 11:00 AM to 11:45 PM

The first panel focuses on resources for club and Association officers. One of the most difficult parts of becoming an officer at the club or Association level is learning what resources there are to help make your job easier. There will be four topics covered:

- ℞• The roles and responsibilities of callers and dancers when a dancer falls in a square
- ℞• The Great Lakes Scrip program as a replacement for Federation Gold
- ℞• The TSFSRD insurance program: how it works, what are the limitations, what are the responsibilities of the member clubs and Associations
- ℞• The promotional materials available through TSFSRD.

The second panel focuses on sewing and reusing, refurbishing, recycling, and up cycling square dance attire. Topics include:

- ℞• Altering square dance attire that has shrunk (since our bodies did not grow)
- ℞• Altering square dance attire into other garments
- ℞• Making square dance attire from other garments
- ℞• Unusual items that can be made into square dance clothing

I hope to see lots of faces at these seminars.